

The Institute of Social and Cultural Studies (ISCS)  
In collaboration with  
Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS),  
Organizes  
Chapter V of the Darpan Discussion Series  
on  
Nepal at the Crossroads  
Navigating its Strategic Ties with India  
Date: April 5th, 2025  
□ Time: 4:30 PM  
● Venue: Hotel Astor, 15 Shakespeare Sarani, Kolkata – 700071

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The Darpan series that is been designed by the institute aims to reciprocate the dynamics of geo- politics surrounding nations boundaries having an implicit impact on the trade, economy, security measures and sustainability issues. The Chapter Vth elucidated the trends of India- Nepal relations, countries that are compounded with commonalities in terms of culture, religion and spiritual aspects and also complement each other as growth partners through P to P and B to B reciprocation.

The event did adhere to Chatham House guide lines, but the interesting features were surfaced through the interaction among the participants that includes Dr.Rajiv Nayan – Senior Research Associate, MP-IDSA, New Delhi who addressed the event as a Chairperson and Shri Manjeev Singh Puri, Former Ambassador of India to Nepal, New Delhi who as a Distinguished Speaker took a front seat taking audience actually through the cross roads, eliciting braided history, cultural and kinship ties, economic cooperation and developmental pragmatism synergizing the growth process of two countries along with present interruption caused by the interference of countries who are at the race of acting and proclaiming themselves as Asian Supremo..

The event marked its conclusion through interesting round of interactions among the speakers and the present audience.