National statement by Mr. Husham Ahmed, Counsellor, during 4th cycle UPR of Nepal

(Geneva, 21 January 2026)

Madam Vice President,

My delegation warmly welcomes the delegation of Nepal to its 4th Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and thanks the head of delegation for presenting the national report, the participatory process of its preparation, and engagement with this Working Group.

Pakistan commends Nepal's constructive engagement with the UN human rights mechanisms, including its active role as a member of the UN Human Rights Council.

We take note of the challenges faced by Nepal, including resource constraints, difficulties in data collection, an imposing geography, climate change and natural disasters, to name a few. Nepal's continued progress towards fulfilling its human rights obligations merits this Working Group's appreciation.

Madam Vice President,

Pakistan has the following recommendations for Nepal's kind consideration:

i. Continue to support programmes for agricultural modernisation and self-reliance, including small-scale agriculture, for nutrition and food security; and,
ii. Expand youth employment programmes with a focus on technical education and vocational training and special support for female entrepreneurs.

We wish Nepal every success with this UPR.

Thank you.

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