## 'Nepal-India relations genuine'

Nepal and India enjoy centuries-old people-to-people relations, said speakers on Tuesday at an interaction organised by Nepal-India Friendship Association in the Capital on 'Nepal-India Relations and Present Situation".

On the occasion, Indian Ambassador to Nepal Ranjit Rae said that both the countries would augur no benefits if ill efforts from any side is made to weaken the historical ties.

Nepal itself can manage the ongoing Tarai unrest, he said, adding that India always wants Nepal's betterment.

The Ambassador went on to say that Indian government was hurt as Nepali people are panicking due to the current blockade. He hinted at gradual flexibility on the smooth operation of border points.

On the occasion, United Democratic Madhesi Front (UDMF) leader Hridayesh Tripathi said the blind and narrowed nationalism would benefit no one while accusing the incumbent government of trying to threaten Tarai agitation.

Also speaking on the occasion were former Chief of Army Staff Rookkmangad Katuwal, former governors of Nepal Rastra Bank and former ambassador.

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