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1. Background and sources

(the 2015 triennial review of the list of least developed countries (LDCs), the Committee for Development Policy (CDP) considered the criteria for LDC category or the first time, as it set the minimum assets and economic criteria, while the remaining as a low income country (see table 6).¹ Based on the 2015 triennial review, the Committee recommended the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) to carry out an ex-ante impact assessment of the consequences of graduation for the least developed countries.² The impact assessment is undertaken as an input to the triennial review in 2018 in conjunction with, and as a result of, the report on the progress of the world's least developed countries (LDCs) in 2017.

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2019. – Graduation eligibility and the process towards graduation

(Country becomes eligible for graduation if the LDC category when it meets any two of three criteria in two consecutive triennial reviews conducted by the CDP. In the 2018 review, the criteria are as follows)

– Nominal GDP of USD 1,210 or above (referred to as the income threshold)

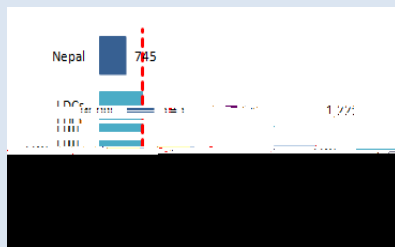
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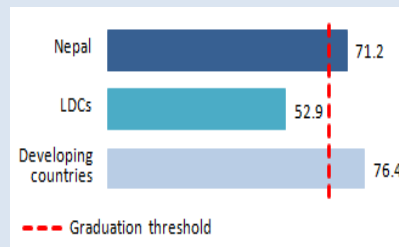
(Alternatively), a country becomes eligible for graduation if its nominal GDP is more than double the income threshold, in two consecutive reviews.

Nepal's eligibility (in the 2018 review, Nepal's nominal GDP is USD 75 billion) below the graduation threshold. Its Financial assets index score of 71.2 exceeds the graduation threshold and its economic complexity index score of 28.7 remains below the threshold. Meeting the ECI and AFI criteria is sufficient for Nepal to achieve the graduation criteria for the second consecutive time.

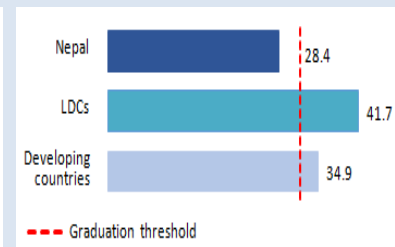
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Consumer Statistics

Table 1: Nepal's balance of payments 2000-2004 (c)

Table 2# Nepal major export commodities and main destinations and potential export commodities 2007-2014 average (current million US\$)

Commodity	2007	2008	2009	Main destination	2010	2011
Edible vegetables	+	16.6	7.1	Japan/USA	23.1	11.2
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Table #0# Catalogue of priority exports in Nepal

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Table 3 Trade preferences for Nepal

Partner	Trade Agreement / Transition	Cooperation / Effectiveness	Effective Dates / Latest Renewal	Trade Agreement / Transition	Footnote / Transition
Japan	CEP (LDC)	1,253 tariff lines	1/1/2006-	CEP (LDC)	Under the CEP, LDCs are granted special tariff treatment.
Canada	LDC5	1,181 tariff lines	26/6/2011-11/12/2027	CEP (LDC)	

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Table 4. Nepal: composition and distribution of 5D& flo7s by selected donors 200, -
 2014 (net disbursements in current prices million US Dollar)

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	Average 2006- 2015	Share of IDR
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Table 2.3: Nepal: bilateral ODA by sector and by main donors 2014 (commitment in current prices) million US Dollar

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List of abbreviations

CDP	Cooperation for Development Policy
C5259	Cooperation in the Near-5 East-2 and 5 Great
D(C	Development (assistance Cooperation)
DEO(Development of Economic and Social Affairs
D: O:	Development, +, other
E&:	Employment and Trade: a network
EU	European Union
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