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Message from the Ministry of Culture, Government of Nepal

The Ministry of federal Affairs, constituent Assesembly, parliamentary Affairs and Culture appreciates the praiseworthy effort taken by Perigeo International in publicizing the People and Culture of Rolwaling area. In fact, Nepal is familiar with the fact that Italy and Italian's love and passion for Nepal in general and the Himalayas in particular have a long and colorful history. Italian tourists, trekkers and mountaineers stand as few numerically top ranking visitors until today. I have been told by Mr. Davide Peluzzi, the Director of *Explora Perigeo* that this love for Nepal Himalayas and the people living so close by has borne fruit with the publication of a monograph on this highly significant theme.

We in the Ministry of Culture remember and cherish the visit of Perigeo team to this Ministry a few months ago. The team had then put forward a proposal to do something concrete to develop the Rolwaling Himalaya area. It is highly gratifying to know that Perigeo International planned a photo exhibition on Nepal Himalaya. Now Perigeo will be publishing a monograph on the theme of Rolwaling soon. This is an important tribute for the Nature, Culture and People of the region.

I strongly believe this monograph will introduce Nepal and the Himalayas to a wider public across the nations and continents.

On behalf of the Ministry of Culture I wish Perigeo all success in highlighting the Rolwaling region and its people to a wider range of visitors and researchers.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jaya Ram Shrestha'.

Jaya Ram Shrestha
Under Secretary

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