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## 18th Human Rights Alliance Day Celebration

National Alliance for Human Rights and Social Justice–Nepal celebrated its 18th establishment day on July 13, 2018 in Kathmandu. Existing and former members of the Alliance, representatives from organizations working in human rights, government and CSO community were present in the program. On this auspicious day, sharing cum interaction session as organized based on reconstruction status of Nepal concerning with sectoral issues based on human rights and social justice perspectives. The Alliance has been advocating for the rights and social justice of earthquake affected people as a campaign of ensuring human rights and social justice especially to single women, persons with disabilities, elderly, economically poor considering them as vulnerable and marginalized groups.

In the program, chief guest was Hon'ble Min Bahadur Shahi, Member of National

Planning Commission. Hon'ble Lal Bahadur Khadka, Member of Provincial Assembly, Province 7, Hon'ble Prakash Rawat, Member of Provincial Assembly, Province 7, Hon'ble Ram Kumar Phuyal, Member of National Planning Commission, Yagya Adhikari, Deputy Director of National Human Rights Commission, Manohar Ghimire, Spoke Person of National Reconstruction Authority (NRA), Jitram Lama, Treasurer of NGO Federation of Nepal were special guests in the program. All the guests and participants congratulated for entering into its 18th year making its strong network presence in the country working in human rights and social justice. They also wished for seeing the Alliance working in the sector with even more constructive and effective ways as it has been playing constructive role for ensuring rights of April 2015 earthquake affected people of Nepal. Human Rights Alliance Day was also marked in the districts chapters including Baitaidi, Syanja, Kaski districts.



## Project agreement with Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI)

Project agreement was made in August 2018 between Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI) and National Alliance for Human Rights and Social Justice – Nepal (Human Rights Alliance) titled, “Enhancing Governing Capacity of Local Bodies in Dolakha district through Policy Dialogue”. The project has aimed to enhance the governing capacity of newly elected local level representatives from all nine local levels of Dolakha district in

the areas of localizing human rights. The project will be implemented in all nine local units of Dolakha district and coordinated by District Coordination Committee (DCC) Dolakha. Its implementation period will be from September 2018 to February 2019 (for six months). Through this project, initiatives have prioritized in capacitating to the local level representatives concerning with human rights, national and international instruments,

good governance and localization of fundamental human rights for ensuring human rights friendly, and inclusive, diversity friendly local level government. It has also expected to materialize the localization of international and national human rights related instruments so that inclusive and just society could be established through human rights friendly policies and programs.

## Right to Food Network Nepal Secretariat Meeting

Right to Food Network Nepal (RtFN) organized its Secretariat meeting on September 27, 2018 in Kathmandu. The meeting was chaired by Min Bahadur Shahi, Chairperson of Human Rights Alliance. Guests and participants of the meeting were Bala Ram Baskota, All Nepal Peasants' Federation; Shambhu Dulal, National Federation of Irrigation Water User's Association Nepal; Dr. Netra Timsina, SAAPE; Dr. Padma Prasad Khatiwada, Human Rights Alliance; D.B. Karki, All Nepal Peasants' Federation; Laxmi Gurung, FIAN Nepal; Sharmila Karki, Jagaran Nepal; Bidur Subedi, Human Rights Alliance; Pramesh Pokhrel,; Ram Saran Dhungana, Shyam Kumar Basnet, All Nepal Peasants' Federation.

The meeting decided to hand over the Secretariat under the Secretariat of Human Rights Alliance. And, it also decided to carry out all the activities from the Secretariat of the Alliance from September 1, 2018.

## District Coordination Meeting for Handing Over the CFLI Funded Project in Dolakha

Human Rights Alliance organized district coordination meeting with local level government representatives, representatives from government authorities, media representatives and CSOs representatives at Charikot, Dolakha on September 28, 2018. The meeting was organized for sharing and handing over the project documents to DCC, Dolakha under the title of “Enhancing Governing Capacity of Local Bodies in Dolakha district through Policy Dialogue”. It has aimed to enhance the governing capacity of newly elected local level representatives from all nine local levels in the areas of localizing human rights. The chief guest of the coordination meeting was Murari Raj Siwakoti, District Coordination Committee (DCC), Dolakha. In the meeting, he expressed his thankfulness for selecting Dolakha district with the aim of enhancing the governing capacity of newly elected local level representatives from all nine local levels of the district along with the coordination from DCC, Dolakha. He promised for fully supporting the campaign initiated by the Alliance.

In the sharing meeting, Bidur Subedi, from Human Rights Alliance briefed about the initiative that included objectives and process of carrying out the events which was going to

organized in Dolakha for coming six months. The initiative has prioritized in capacitating to the local level representatives concerning with human rights, national and international instruments, good governance and localization of fundamental human rights for ensuring human rights friendly, and inclusive, diversity friendly local level government. Bashu Dev Pathak, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Dolakha assured for coordinating with the Alliance in the process of implementing the initiative for making the local level more accountable and transparent. Nimesh Mishra, Assistant Chief District Officer,

Dolakha expected that the project would incorporate all the dimensions related to the human rights and social justice considering the relevancy of the initiative as local level representatives need capacitating activities. Other participants were Kamala Basnet, Bhimeshor Municipality, Man Bahadur Jurel, DCC Dolakha, Narayan Prasad Sedain, DCC, Dolakha, Geta Pokhrel, DCC, Dolakha. The meeting univocally asserted for introducing relevant other programs as the local levels of the district need advocacy related campaigns in human rights, capacitating local levels, accountability



## Workshop on “Inclusive Governance, Human Rights, and Social Diversity in Dolkha”

Human Rights Alliance organized workshop on “Inclusive governance, Human Rights and Social Diversity” at Charikot, Dolakha on September 30, 2018 with local level government representatives from all the local levels of the district. Local government ward members, executive committee members were present in the program. The workshop covered areas of human rights, inclusive governance and social diversity, local issues on human rights and diversity. Separate presentations were made in the workshop aiming to capacitate the participant local level representatives in those areas. Total 45 female representatives of all nine local levels of the district took part in the capacitating workshop. Kumar Bishwokarma, Human Rights Alliance, Dolakha chaired that program. Dr. Padma Prasad Khatiwada, Associate Professor Tribhuvan University presented on the topic, “Inclusive Governance and Social Diversity” and HomPathak, HURADEC, Dolakha presented on “Local Issues on Human Rights and Diversity” in the program. In the program, discussion sessions were conducted among the participant local level female representatives concerning with their local level’s issues, problems, challenges and possible measures in the respective areas of presentations.



The participants shared their specific human rights related commitments (each commitment in the local level) that they will take initiative to address them considering as immediate priorities. The chief guest of the program, Mana Maya Jirel, DCC, Dolakha considered that this initiative will play significant role for capacitating to the local level repre-

sentatives concerning with human rights, national and international instruments, good governance and localization of fundamental human rights for ensuring human rights friendly, and inclusive, diversity friendly local level government.



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