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Be Sensitive to the Public Health. Immediately resume Health Service Delivery.

National Human Rights Commission pays attention to the situation of the violations of the right to public health by striking regular health services from 6th of Ashoj closing the hospitals and health centers of nation led by the Nepal Medical Association against the Government's plan to introduce a new law that aims to rein in negligent medical practitioners in the process of the treatment of sick persons, made by the government of Nepal, Council of Ministers.

From the monitoring conducted by the Commission today found that the rights of injured and sick persons are highly affected due to the closing up of health services except emergency from Friday to uncertain duration. The act of denial to health like necessary service is against the provisions of the clause 3 of the Necessary Service Providing Act 2014, to strike in the necessary services like in health services is against the policy of the Government of Nepal and is also against the fundamental rights guaranteed by the Article 35 right to health, article 44 Consumers' right of the Constitution of Nepal. The action goes against the provision of the article 12 Right to Health, guaranteed by the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and right to human life and human health as provided by the other prevailing laws of the Government of Nepal.

Therefore, Commission appeals to the health professionals to work being sensitive, in case of continuous strike hundreds of thousands of people's life can be deprived of medical services. So, Commission stresses to maintain the professional ethics and to be responsible for the necessary services like health. The Commission also appeals to the Government of Nepal and Nepal Medical Association to settle the uncertainties and disputes seen in the health service sectors by means of dialogue and communication.

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