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## Press Release

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### Commission monitors election in 27 districts from Human Rights perspective

#### Request to all concerning parties to respect and protect Human Rights

National Human Rights Commission will monitor first phase election of the House of Representatives and Provincial Assembly members scheduled on 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2017 from the perspective of human rights. Among 32 districts except a few ones of the high Himalayan regions, the team has been deployed in 27 districts including human rights officers for monitoring the whole process of election.

The team will monitor whether or not the political parties are exercising the right to freedom of expression as well as the freedom of peaceful assembly and use of children in the political campaign. Moreover, voters' education and the situation of civic awareness, possible violations of human rights by political parties during election, whether or not proper arrangements have been made for all voters including disable people, senior citizens, minorities' people in the fearless environment, to cast their votes, security of the voters and the candidates and the respect to the human rights issues mentioned in the code of conduct of election will be monitored. Similarly, the Commission draws attention to the incidents of arresting journalists in various districts. Commission is conducting necessary monitoring to the incidents.

The Commission requests to the Government of Nepal to complete the election in the free and fearless environment strengthening peace and security. Similarly, the Commission requesting to the Political Parties to put forward the election process in a very imperturbable and peaceful manner appeals to all the voters to exercise their voting rights without any fear.

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