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## Press Note

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### Consultation Meeting Concluded on 'Human Rights Issue in School Education'

National Human Rights Commission, Nepal concluded a consultative discussion meeting with the stakeholders on human rights in school education. It is essential to include the issues of human rights in the school curriculum because the school sector could play a crucial role in establishing human rights culture in every household as envisaged by the Strategic Plan of NHRC and for the implementation of the slogan 'Human rights for all in every household, foundation for peace and development. The consultative meeting with the representatives from the Ministry of Education, Curriculum Development Centre and prominent educationists is held with the aim to discuss the issues of human rights education necessary to be included in school curriculum before making recommendation to the government.

Hon. Chairperson of the Commission Anup Raj Sharma opined in the programme that human rights issues should be incorporated in the school curriculum in accordance with the level and the competency of students so that it supports to regulate and deter the prevalent issues in the society like caste based discrimination, violence against women, witchcraft, and other various social malpractices and customs. NHRC member Hon. Govinda Sharma Poudyal informed that the Commission could exercise the power to recommend the government after receiving suggestions from the consultation to include in school and college level curriculum in accordance with the section 4 of the NHRC Act 2012. He also added that the topics of human rights can be incorporated into subjects like literature, geography and social studies from various perspectives.

Educationists advised that incorporating human rights issues in the school curriculum has already initiated and if some issues left with these issues, right and accomplishment of duty should also be included. Experts suggested that NHRC could conduct training on human rights for school teachers to make teaching-learning activities more effective besides including human rights issues in the curriculum.

Deputy director of NHRC Yagya Prasad Adhikari presented a working paper on the situation of human rights in the school education, development of human rights culture and the efforts made by the Commission so far. The Consultation discussion meeting concluded in the chairmanship of the Chairperson of NHRC Anup Raj Sharma. Hon. Member of the Commission Prakash Wasti, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology Dr. Hari Lamsal, the Executive Director of the Curriculum Development Center Krishna Prasad kapri, Dr. Mana Prasad Wagle, various private and community school teachers, resource persons, experts in the education sector and the media personnel participated the consultation meeting.

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