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Context : International Day of Disappeared - 2016

Publicize the status of victims of enforced disappearance of Armed Conflict period

The conflicting party and the security agency were involved in the act of enforced disappearance and abduction during the armed conflict initiated by then CPN (Maoists). The Commission has received the complaints in various phases of time urging to search for the disappeared persons. In this regard, the Commission has publicized the condition of the disappeared upon exhumation as per the necessity. The whereabouts of 842 missing persons, who are said to have been disappeared, is still unknown. It is unfortunate that even after ten years have passed since the signing of Comprehensive Peace Accord (CPA), the status of the disappeared persons haven't been made public.

It is observed that the victim families have been facing numerous legal hurdles and psycho social problem due to ever stretching unknown status of their fate. The National Human Rights Commission has recommended legal action upon identifying the accused, the legal action is not yet advanced which has helped the state of impunity to go up further to its height.

Commission of Inquiry on Enforced Disappeared Persons (CIEPD) and Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) have been formed to address the incident of human rights violations and enforced disappearance of armed conflict period as per the provision enshrined in the CPA. In this concern, it is inevitable that the mechanisms as such to provide justice to the victims of serious human rights violations and enforced disappearance need to be competent and effective. It is indeed obligatory that task of these mechanisms must be independent and fair to ensure to apprise the truth, to recommend action against the accused and to provide appropriate compensation and reparation to the victim's family.

The Commission, therefore, would like to draw the attention of Nepal Government search for the victims of enforced disappearance and publicize their condition.

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