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Sort out Problem through Dialogue and Consensus

LALITPUR: The serious attention of the Commission has been drawn to the incidents of human rights violations following the banda and protest programs organized on the issue of demarcation of proposed federal states in the districts of Tarai-Madhesh for a long time. Though the Constitution and the international human rights law have provided the right to participation in peaceful protest, the use of sticks and domestic weapons, pelting stones, arson and vandalism, the use of innocent children in the demonstration, killing and injury altogether have deterred the human right situation in the country which is against the principle of human rights.

The Commission has found that human casualties and injury have been caused to the people during such protest program when the security force resorted to open fire in the hospital area. The Commission, therefore, would like to draw the attention of the government and the protesting parties to immediately stop such act and resolve the problem through dialogue.

It is also found that the innocent children have been widely used in the protest program and some of the children have succumbed to injury. It is reminded to all the concerned that the use of children in any program or event as such is against the Convention on the Rights of Child (CRC).

The Commission draws the attention of all the concerned parties to spare the children from using in the demonstration under any pretext and create the environment for the smooth operation of schools in unhindered manner, to ensure the rights of child lest they could face the risk if used in the protest programs. It is against the Convention on the Rights of Child and Act related to Children – 1948.

Similarly, the Commission also urges all the concerned parties to create environment for the unhindered supply of daily commodities and to ensure the protection of the rights of consumers, freedom of movement, freedom to engage in any occupation or to engage in employment, industry and trade. The Commission also urges the concerned to make the protest program in peaceful manner, to not use excessive force and to stop rampant arrest spree.

Article 20 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights-1948, Article 21 of International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and part (b) of Sub Article (3) Article 12 of the Interim Constitution of Nepal have provided the freedom of peaceful assembly. The Commission calls on all the concerned not to violate the rights of others while enjoying such rights.

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