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NHRC urges the Govt. look into epidemic outbreak in Dasera VDC of Jajarkot and provide treatment to the sick

The serious attention of the Commission has been drawn to the media reports published in various national dailies about the increasing cases of diarrhea endemic that have reportedly hit Dasera VDC including other adjacent VDCs of Jajarkot district.

More than 40 individuals are reported to have been suffering from the problem of diarrhea in a single village of Dasera. Majority of them are students and SLC examinees, head of the examination center and invigilators.

The Commission urges the government to immediately deploy a team of experts including health workers in the district in order to control the epidemic and to pay special attention to SLC examinees.

It can be recalled that the swine flu epidemic had reportedly killed dozens and a diarrhea outbreak had claimed hundreds of lives in the same district in 2009 and 2014 respectively.

The Commission, therefore, urges the Government to step up necessary investigation to find out causes behind the outbreak and to act promptly to send in the health workers to effectively control the epidemics, to supply sufficient medicines and to organize public awareness programs for sanitation and cleanliness in the epidemic hit district. The Commission also urges the Government to focus on making appropriate arrangement for general citizens to receive necessary health service in effortless manner which would protect their right to health.

NHRC draws the attention of Nepal Government towards giving impetus to reconstruction work soon before monsoon and to make arrangement of shelter for the quake victims

The Commission has written to Nepal Government drawing its attention towards the difficult situation emerged in relief distribution due to various reasons including faulty distribution process of relief by the government to the earthquake affected people in Singti of Dolakha district.

The situation is such that the quake victims are deprived of the relief package for want of alternative arrangement for receiving relief due to the destruction of their house of habitual residence, loss of important documents including the evidence of land ownership (Lalapurja) and citizenship.

The Commission, therefore, would like to draw the attention of Nepal Government towards the immediate arrangement of appropriate shelter to the quake victims since the reconstruction work hasn't been able to tap momentum even after one year of the disaster which would still leave quake victims at lurch during soon-to-arrive monsoon.

It is the fundamental rights of the citizens to receive the state-sponsored facilities well in time without any discrimination. The Commission urges Nepal Government to keep the problems faced by the quake victims at the pinnacle of priorities and immediately give due impetus to the reconstruction work so as to protect the victims from further risk of natural disaster.

The Commission has deployed a monitoring team to monitor the reconstruction work started from Dolakha district .

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