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Government urged to withdraw Army and hold Fruitful Dialogue

LALITPUR: The high level monitoring teams headed by the NHRC Commissioners have conducted situation monitoring on ongoing agitations launched in 20 different districts of Tarai-Madhesh and other hill districts with regard to the issues including the demarcation of proposed federal states in the constitution making process. In course of monitoring in those districts, it has been found that 35 people have been killed, hundreds of people have been injured and large amount of public and private properties have been damaged.

The monitoring teams have found that the security force has used date-expired tear gas shells including deadly weapons to repress the agitation. National and International Laws to use limited force have largely gone unheeded while the security force employed excessive force on protestors with the bullets shots on their heads, chests and stomachs. Likewise, despite the fact that the agitating political parties have committed to make their agitation peaceful, the unrestrained protestors have been found resorted to arson and vandalize the police posts and public properties by using domestic weapons, home-made bomb, petrol bomb and other explosives.

The indefinite strike and the failure of government to effectively address the issue as such have led to curtailment of various human rights of the people. As local administration has deployed army in riot-prone areas after imposing curfews and declaring riot zones to sustain peace and security, citizens have had to live in fear and cannot exercise their rights.

The Commission urges that the government and local administration immediately withdraw army and let agitating parties put forth their demands peacefully and all sides should resolve the crisis through fruitful talks in a sense of responsibility. .

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