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NHRC Urges the Improvement of the Prisons and Detention Centres

The NHRC has corresponded to the Office of the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers urging for the improvement of the condition of prison and detention centers across the country.

In a letter to the Government on Thursday, the Commission has pointed out that the prisons were in vulnerable situation from the point of view of earthquake, fire and security.

The Commission has expressed concern over the excessive pressure of inmates in the prison and lack of adequate arrangement to meet the needs of women inmates and the proper upbringing and education of their children.

Stating that the detention center is for reforming the inmates and not for inflicting torture on them, the Commission has urged the Government to make necessary arrangement of appropriate skill oriented training, library and sports for their occupational skills development, education including their physical and mental development.

The Commission has also emphasized on the need to bring appropriate reforms to the prisons and ensure the rights and well-being of the inmates as per the standards set through the Commission's 'Prison and Custody Monitoring Guidelines, 2065 BS.'

The Commission has also urged the Government of Nepal to implement the recommendations sent by the Commission in the past and also effectively implement the suggestions provided by the "High Level Commission for the Prison Reformation"

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