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NHRC urges to save the life of Gangamaya Adhikari and ensure justice to the victims

Serious attention of the National Human Rights Commission has been drawn by the death of Nanda Prasad Adhikari of Phujel, Gorkha on 22nd September, 2014.

Nanda Prasad Adhikari of Phujel, Gorkha district, who had been staging a fast unto death demanding justice over the murder of his son Krishna Prasad by the then CPN Maoists, passed away at Bir Hospital. The emergence of such situation is taken by the Commission as an extremely regretful episode.

The Commission, therefore, urges the Government of Nepal and other concerned parties to make serious efforts to protect the life of Ganga Maya Adhikari, the wife of Nanda Prasad Adhikari, whose health condition is worsening due to her fast-unto-death. Similarly, the Commission heartily requests Ganga Maya Adhikari to give up her self-penance and adopt alternative measures to seek justice.

The Commission hereby would like to remind that the Commission has already sent the recommendations to the GoN to take actions against criminal offense upon conducting the investigation over the incidents of the murder of Krishna Prasad Adhikari, make arrangements for compensation to the victims and provide adequate security, including rehabilitation of the victims. Also, the Commission has been incessantly monitoring whether or not the recommendations as such have been implemented accordingly.

Absence of immediate investigation and prosecution on the incidents of the human rights violations that took place during the armed conflict and beyond, obliviousness in administration of justice, widespread bewilderment and pervasive dispirited notion have caused difficulty in timely and effective protection and respect of human rights.

Since the Rule of Law is the basis of human rights, it is necessary that the recommendations made by the Commission are implemented timely. Since prevalence of absolute peace makes sustainable peace possible, transitional justice is certainly not an alternative of criminal justice but it does only serves as a supporting factor and the Commission would like to draw the attention of the Government towards this.

The Commission prays that the departed soul of Nanda Prasad Adhikari rests in peace and also expresses deepest condolences to the family members of late Adhikari.

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