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### NHRC Urges Govt for the last rites of late Nanda Prasad Adhikari

Serious attention of the National Human Rights Commission has been drawn to the last rites of the deceased Nanda Prasad Adhikari being held up till date. Mr. Adhikari died on September 22, 2014 while on a hunger strike at Bir hospital. Late Adhikari of Fujel-7 of Gorkha was demanding legal action against the murderer of his son Krishna Prasad Adhikari.

Krishna Prasad Adhikari was killed by the then CPN-Maoist rebels in June 2004 in Chitwan. The Adhikari family members were internally displaced and fighting for the legal battle ever since. Nanda Prasad Adhikari died while he was in pursuit of a long struggle for justice. The uncertainty of the cremation service for deceased Adhikari is very unfortunate from a human rights perspectives.

In this regard, the Commission would like to draw the attention of the government to comply with a five-point agreement signed with Ganga Maya, wife of the deceased Adhikari, on October 17 to duly make funeral for Adhikari and immediately take action against those involved in the 2004 murder.

Reining the agreement, therefore, the Commission also urges the state to manage his funeral as per provisions enshrined through religious and cultural rights mentioned in Article 23 of the Interim Constitution and Article 27 of International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

The Commission has recommended to the Government on April 5, 2008 to take legal action against the accused involved in criminal offense and provide compensation to the victim's family. The Commission would also like to remind that it had simultaneously written on 12 August, 2013 issuing a directive to the Office of the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers to advance the investigation with regard to the incident of killing.

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