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Respect and protect the fundamental rights of the citizens
The Commission appeals to Communist Party of Nepal (CNP) to call off the nation-wide shutdown

National Human Rights Commission draws attention towards the statement of the Netra Bikram Chand 'Biplav'-led Communist Party of Nepal (CNP) calling the nation-wide shutdown (Nepal Banda) it has announced for March 30.

The closure is poised to adversely impact the students taking the Secondary Education Examination (SEE) on the same day as well as the Nepal Bar Association's nation-wide election. On March 30 compulsory health, population and environment education subject of the SEE is scheduled to be held. The common people would bear the brunt of shutdown as it would infringe the rights of people such as freedom of movement, right to health, education, employment and access to justice among others. From this the common people would be deprived from enjoying the various rights guaranteed by the Constitution as well as various national and international human rights instruments.

NHRC urges to the Government of Nepal and the Biplav-led Nepal Communist Party to seek the other alternatives of the strike as the strike would create difficulties and despairs in public lives rather than protecting the rights of the people, put an end to extortion, violence, killing and explosion, not to create fearful environment in anyplace, and do not arrest women, children and any of the nationals on the basis of political faith, ideology and the suspicion without adequate evidences, ensure environment where one and all could exercise the rights enshrined by the Constitution.

Any discrepancies, agitations or conflict could be resolved through dialogues and negotiations rather than rivalry or quarrels as the instance of the decade-long armed conflict and other struggles and agitations in the country were resolved through dialogue and talks, therefore, the Commission requests to the concerned all to be serious realizing this fact.

Similarly, the Commission specially requests to the 'Biplav'-led Communist Party of Nepal (CNP) to create the environment where human rights is respected calling off the nation-wide shutdown (Nepal Banda) as announced for March 30 as it is an assault on human rights and it would cause grave inconvenience to the public.

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