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Stop arbitrary arrest

National Human Rights Commission draws attention towards the arrest of Mr. Chakra Bahadur Khatri arbitrarily time and again who is the resident of Halesi Tuwachung Municipality – 2, Khotang. The Commission has corresponded to the Government of Nepal, Ministry of Home Affairs providing directive order to respond within 24 hours with regard to the making of Mr. Chakra Bahadur Khatri's whereabouts unknown even not providing the information to his family, degrading treatment to Mr. Khatri and the disregard to the directive orders time and again provided by the Supreme Court of Nepal. Mr. Khatri was arrested for the first time on April 15, 2019 and was kept in District Prison Khotang and was rearrested on April 10, April 25, May 10, May 15, May 28, 2020 (sixth time) going against the Supreme Court's directive order and in the present lockdown context he was taken to Khotang, Udayapur and Solukhumbu districts but on May 29, 2020 Mr. Khatri is found to be taken at Siraha district.

The act of arbitrary arrest of such kind with the planned manner of the Government of Nepal, Local Administration and Nepal Police is against the fundamental as well as constitutional rights ensured by the Article 17 (1), Article 20 and Article 126 (2) of the Constitution of Nepal and is also against the legal rights ensured by the Section 10, Section 200 and Section 202 of the Criminal Code -2017.

Thus, the Commission draws attention of the Government of Nepal to respect and protect individual's human rights and guarantee the rule of law ending act of arbitrary arrest time and again to an individual going against the Constitutional and legal provisions and the directive orders provided time and again by the Supreme Court of Nepal.

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