International Conference on the Rights of Migrant Workers concluded

Kathmandu Resolution adopted, Human Rights of Migrant Workers Stressed

Kathmandu: International Conference on Cooperation between the National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) for the Protection and Promotion of the Rights of Migrant Workers in the Asia Pacific Region concluded in Kathmandu with the adoption of the Kathmandu Resolution

The resolution has been sketched in line with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights – 1948 (UDHR), International Convention on the protection of the Migrant workers and their families and various other international human rights instruments.

At the conference, broad discussions were held among the National Human Rights Institutions of the Asia Pacific Region on the programs, plans and policies adopted by the United Nations, various governments and NHRIs.

Meanwhile, the conference has passed the resolution expressing condolences over the sad demise of the 121 factory workers of the Bangladeshi workers in a fire accident in an apparel factory in Bangladesh on 25th November, 2012. The Conference has urged the Bangladeshi government to provide the necessary treatment to the injured and compensation to the fire victims and their families.

The Chairs and the member Commissioners representing the NHRIS of Nepal, India, South Korea, Qatar, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives participated in the conference. Likewise, the experts and the representatives of the International Organization of the Migration, Nepal Government, Nepal Association of Foreign employment agencies migrant workers, Civil society organizations were also present in the two day conference held in the capital.

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