Identifying Challenges, Assessing Progress, Moving Forward: Addressing Impunity and Realizing Human Rights in South Asia

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We are pleased to inform you that National Human Rights Commission of Nepal is all set to organize an international conference "Identifying Challenges, Assessing Progress, Moving Forward: Addressing Impunity and Realizing Human Rights in South Asia" from 9-11 April, 2018.

The conference will be attended by the chairpersons and commissioners of the national human rights institutions of Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Pakistan and Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Myanmar, Jordan, chair of the Asia Pacific Forum, Geneva Representative of Global Alliance for National Human rights Institutions (GANHRI), along with the international experts on the issues of human rights. There will be the participation of over 50 international representatives from different 20 countries. The conference, which is scheduled to be inaugurated by Rt. Hon. President Bidhya Devi Bhandari will see the participation of the Nepal government representatives, heads of the transitional justice mechanisms, heads of the diplomatic missions in Nepal, head of the Office of United Nations high Commissioner for Human Rights in Nepal, Human rights activists, victims of the human rights violations, representatives of the civil society, media persons among others.

The conference accommodates the paper presentations on the issues of women rights, rights of marginalized communities, freedom of speech, transitional justice, impunity prevailing in South Asia and Asia Pacific. Also, it has been planned to issue a Kathmandu Declaration through an intensive discussion over the aforementioned issues, before the closing ceremony that is scheduled to be attended by the Rt. Honorable Prime Minister of Nepal.

We request all the concerned persons to make this conference a success.

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