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In the history of Nepal, the Constituent Assembly election is going to be held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2008 (Chaitra 28th 2064) for the first time that paves the way for the Nepalese people to frame the constitution of their own. The event that is taking place in Nepal happens to be one of the third in the world history and second among the SAARC countries after India. In the twenty first century, two other events of the election for the constituent assembly were exercised earlier in East Timor and Bolivia in 2002 and 2006 respectively.

Since the CA election is associated with the future of entire Nepal and Nepalese, it is the paramount responsibility of all the Nepalese to have the election conducted in healthy, free and fair manner. This much awaited age-binding phenomenon is going to take place after it became possible to hold the election with the sacrifice of the thousands of people and the act of hindrance should not be fostered to abate it from anyone's side. The Commission also cautions all the concerned that the chances of the pushing the future of Nepal in the darker sides may not be denied if the election is abated through the act of hindrance. The Commission, therefore, appeals to all the citizens, the political parties and the civil society including the voters to extend their active contribution to this great event in order to build the future of the nation and the people.

Reminding that the right to vote is the fundamental human rights of the citizens, the Commission also, hereby, appeals to all the concerned to make efforts for the protection and promotion of human rights.

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