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Laltipur: The serious attention of the *Commission* has been drawn to the commotion in the KathamnduValley including the various other parts of the country following the price hike in the petroleum products. Apparently, the human rights of the general citizens are impacted due to the commotion resulted form such activities. Not to mention, it is indisputably sad to witness such an environment created through the state level decision made without the necessary coordination between the government and the stakeholders apparently concerned with the subject matter. As a result, the sudden uproar occurred due to the stateâ€™s inability to shoulder up the responsibility to address the difficulty in daily life of all the general citizens, specially the economically backward general citizens due to the unprecedented price hike in the petroleum products..

Apparently, the sudden decision to hike the price of petroleum products demonstrates the stateâ€™s failure to pay attention towards the ***International Convenant-1966*** with regard to economical, social and cultural rights that guarantees the citizensâ€™ food, shelter and the development of life standard and the right to continuous development of their occupational life.

During the monitoring conducted by a team of the commission, the deteriorating state of the free movement of the citizens and the law and order situation was observed in Kathmandu valley including the other parts of the country following the sudden price hike in the petroleum product.

The *Commission*, therefore, appeals to the Government of Nepal to ensure the effective law and order situation in the country in order for the creation of a peaceful environment for the citizens to use their human rights independently.

Likewise, the *Commission* hereby appeals to organizers of the agitating parties to conduct their programs peacefully with due sensitiveness towards the rights of others.

Lastly, the *Commission* also appeals to all the concerned parties to seek the solutions to any problem through the medium of dialogue.

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