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### Attention drawn to the Clashes during Consultation Process on Draft Constitution

LALITPUR: The serious attention of the Commission has been drawn to the incidents of clashes in various parts of the country during the suggestions collection program on the first draft constitution.

The Commission assumes that the incidents of clashes sparked in the districts including Dhanusha, Parsa, Rautahat, Siraha, Saptari, Taplejung, Kathmandu, Nuwakot and Bhaktapur during the public consultation program on the draft constitution have discarded the citizens' right to independently provide their opinion and suggestions on the draft constitution. The Commission, therefore, would like to draw the attention of the concerned to respect citizens' freedom of expression.

The Commission has concluded that the excessive use of force on the demonstrators instead of showing restraint by the government and security force have resulted the sporadic violation of human rights.

The Commission, therefore, urges the government to create a conducive environment in which the citizens can present their views and opinions on the draft constitution without any undue hindrance.

The Commission urges the government to provide effective treatment to the scores of injured citizens in the incidents, identify the culprits and drag them to justice.

The Commission also urges all the concerned authorities to extend their support in the process of collecting opinions on the draft constitution from the citizens in an independent manner at this historic moment of constitution making.

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