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Press Note

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Commission concluded discussion with the Chief District Officers and security chiefs of Kathmandu and Lalitpur districts

Request to respect the citizens' right to peaceful assembly and demonstration

National Human Rights Commission seriously concerns over the effects upon human rights protection and promotion from the situation generated by the demonstrations taking place for and against the government's decision on parliamentary dissolution, the case is sub judice at the Supreme Court of Nepal. The demonstration and the agitation are minutely monitored by the NHRC Province office.

The Commission received the information that various political parties, group and civil society will launch additional programs of agitation and demonstration nationwide. NHRC Bagmati Province Office urged the chief district officers of Kathmandu Kali Prasad Parajuli and Lalitpur Dwarika Prasad Niraula, and security chiefs of both the districts Senior Superintendent of Police Ashok Singh and Kiran Bajracharya to control possible loss of lives and property, respect people's freedom of opinion and expression, freedom to assemble peacefully and without arms, not to allow the use of excessive force over the demonstrations following the UN Basic Principles on the Use of Force and Firearms by Law Enforcement Officials.

NHRC Secretary Bed Bhattarai said the police and administration should play positive role in ensuring the constitutional rights of the citizens and urged the protestors to demonstrate their discontent by exercising tolerance. Kathmandu CDO Parajuli said that the local administration is sensitive to the protection of citizen's rights and their lives and properties and also urged the demonstrators to restrain tolerance during the peaceful protests and requested the security force to restrain maximum tolerance. Similarly, Lalitpur CDO Dhundi Prasad Niraula said the administration has always laid emphasis on maintaining law and order and protecting democracy and human rights. He also added that Nepal Police is always ready to respect people's life, property and human rights. The discussion held at NHRC Bagmati Province Office the human rights situation under the domain of province office was also presented.

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