Press Note

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A discussion program on the role of the Commission for women's right protection

National Human Rights Commission held a discussion program on the situation of women's rights with the women rights activists involved in the various organizations active in women's rights. With regard to the formulation of the 6th Strategic Planning process, the Commission organized this program to collect suggestions from the women right's activists for the strategic plan as the Commission has been organizing consultation with various groups and communities.

During the discussion, the speakers stressed for the study and monitoring the situation of the rights situation of women working in the informal sectors and working as domestic workers, access to justice to the victims of sexual violence and condition of security of life, the effect of climate change upon the women's reproductive rights, the implementation status of the recommendations of the UN CEDAW Committee and directive orders of the Supreme Court of Nepal for the protection and promotion of women's rights, including other issues and these have to be recommended to the government of Nepal. As local government is focused on the developmental functions, issues like women, children, sexual and gender minorities including other collective rights have been shadowed, the speakers opined that the Commission should recommend upon these issues studying and monitoring upto the local level.

The Commission Chairperson Top Bahadur Magar opined that the Commission will move forward collaborating and coordinating with the civil society and other organizations as it is not possible for the protection of human rights only the Commission's effort. The Commission member Lily Thapa stressed on the implementation of the suggestions with priority as per the constitutional mandate of the Commission as the participants provided the significant suggestions to the Commission. In the discussion program the Commission members Mihir Thakur, Manoj Duwady, officiating Secretary Dr. Tika Ram Pokharel, officials from the Commission, and heads and representatives from the Sankalpa, Pourakhi Nepal, Himrights, ATWIN Nepal, Tewa Nepal, Beyond Beijing Committee (BBC), the Federation for Indigenous Women, Biswas Nepal, Action Aid, Single women Groups including others were participated the program.

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