



Multi-stakeholders National Dialogue: For Strengthening the Cooperation to implement UPR recommendations

Nepal's human rights record was reviewed for the second time on 4 November 2015 at the United Nations in Geneva, during the 23rd session of the Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review. Nepal received 195 recommendations and will implement them until the next UPR.

On 17 March 2016, the Human Rights Council adopted Nepal's Report of Working Group on the Universal Periodic Review: the Government accepted 152 recommendations.

Within the UPR framework, cooperation is encouraged among all the different stakeholders during the implementation of UPR recommendations towards advancement of human rights and freedoms. Therefore, the Government representatives present today, together with representatives of the NGOs including NGO coalitions for the UPR, the United Nations Country Team (UNCT) and the National Human Rights Commission of Nepal (NHRC) came together for a dialogue and after attentive deliberation agreed on enhancing their mutual understanding and to discuss future collaboration for the implementation of UPR recommendations.

As a result of the dialogue, all participants have agreed on to:

- Request to the Government to set up a Coordinating Committee to be in charge of the implementation of recommendations of the UPR, UN treaty bodies and other international human rights mechanisms, with representation of NHRC, government and other stakeholders;
- Continue to hold multi-party meetings at least twice a year with a view to monitor the level of implementation of UPR recommendations and to discuss about ways to address challenges;
- Support participation of all stakeholders in the implementation process of recommendations of the UPR and other human rights bodies;
- Include UPR recommendations in the plan of action of the Government with expected outcomes, assessment indicators, concrete activities, timeframe and responsible parties.

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