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Working for non-discrimination and equality

Forum for Women, Law and Development (FWLD) is an autonomous, non-profit, non-governmental organization established on May 29, 1995 to work for the protection, promotion and enjoyment human rights. In order to eliminate all forms of discrimination, FWLD uses law as an instrument to ensure the rights of women, children, minorities and all other marginalized groups.

The organization was started with the combined effort of seven founder members for the eradication of the discriminatory laws, and to domestically and effectively implement the Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). Encouraged by the success achieved, the organization is now working on a number of activities aiming towards protecting the rights of all marginalised groups

FWLD has been involved in filing noteworthy Public Interest Litigations (PILs), a tool used for the reform and for the effective enforcement of laws. Through PILs, FWLD has been successful in criminalising marital rape, in ensuring confidentiality to victims and witnesses in many cases of gender-based violence, and in approaching equality between sons and daughters on rights to ancestral property, among other law reforms.

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Sexual and GBV



Group 5 (29th September to 1st October, 2021)



Group 6 (2nd to 4th October, 2021)



Group 7 (5th to 7th October, 2021)

Gender Responsive Investigation and Communication Skills in the cases of GBV

Metropolitan Police Office Ranipokhari, FWLD and UN Women jointly organized 3 days Gender Responsive Investigation and Communication Skills in the cases of GBV to Nepal Police at Kathmandu. 30 Police officials working in different ranges of Kathmandu Valley participated in the workshop. DIG Uttam Raj Subedi, SSP Sandip Bhandari, SSP Pradip Kumar Shrestha, SSP Chakra Bahadur Singh, SP Shyam Singh Chaudhary, Inspector Heema Thoker and Advocate Sabin Shrestha conducted different sessions. The workshop covered different subject matters like gender, sex and sexuality, laws against GBV, judicial outlook in the cases of GBV, gender responsive investigation, communication skills among many. The workshop was moderated by Binod Chandra Devkota.

Closing Ceremony

Metropolitan Police Office, FWLD and UN Women jointly organized 7 three-days training program to Police officials from 15th September to 7th October, 2021. Total 210 Police Officials participated in the training programs. Senior Advocate Geeta Aryal Chaired the closing ceremony and DIG Uttam Raj Subedi graced the ceremony as Chief Guest. Sr. Advocate Aryal provided token of appreciation to all the resource persons and coordinator. DIG Uttam Raj Subedi provided certificate of participation to the participants.



Infographics video on Strengthening Local Judicial Committees in their Response to Gender Based Violence



Module 1: Gender, Patriarchy and Gender Based Violence



Module 2: Establishment and Jurisdiction of Judicial Committee



Module 3: Complaint registration and process of taking action by Judicial Committee



Module 4: Examination of evidence and Hearing



Module 5: Procedure related mediation in Judicial Committee



Module 6: Interim Protection Order and decision



Module 7: Implementation of the decision



Module 8: Establishment of GBV Elimination Fund” is discussed



Module 9: Overall response mechanism to respond the immediate needs as well as access to justice of GBV survivors



Launching Event of 16 days Activism against GBV

On November 25, 2021, Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizens organized a virtual program on the occasion of 16 days activism where Right Hon'ble Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba was chief guest and program was chaired by Women, Children and Senior Citizen Minister Hon'ble Uma Regmi. Advocate Sabin Shrestha from FWLD was invited as a speaker representing civil society and women's rights organizations.



Interactive orientation among multi sectoral service providers on victim centric approach in the cases of GBV



FWLD conducted Interactive orientation among multi sectoral service providers on victim centric approach in the cases of GBV in Dhangadi, Kailali from 11th to 15th November, 2021. Representative from District court, District Police Office, Provincial police Office, District Hospital, District Government Attorney Office, OCMC, Local Judicial Committee, Ward Mediators, Dhangadi Sub Metropolitan city, Legal Aid Committee, District Bar Association, Maiti

Nepal, shelter home and various other organizations actively participated in the orientation. 15 different sessions on Gender, sexuality, patriarchy, laws related to GBV, access to justice, rights of victim, psycho social counseling were conducted in the workshop in interactive way. The workshop concluded with a common commitment from participants to implement the learning in their respective office.



FWLD conducted Interactive orientation among multi sectoral service provider from victim centric approach in the cases of GBV in Biratnagar, Morang from 21st to 25th December, 2021. Representative from District court, District Police Office, Koshi Hospital(OCMC), District Government Attorney Office, Biratnagar Metropolitan city(judicial committee), Legal Aid Committee, District Bar Association, High court Biratnagar Bar Association, Maiti Nepal, ABC Nepal, CWAD, WOREC and

various other organizations actively participated in the orientation. 15 different sessions on Gender, sexuality, patriarchy, laws related to GBV, rights of victim, interim relief and compensation, psycho social counseling, mock trial session were conducted in the workshop in interactive way. The workshop concluded with a common commitment from participants to implement the learning in their respective office.

Sharing program between 10 selected GWOs of Sudurpaschim Province

On 9th December, 2021 FWLD organized sharing program between 10 selected GWOs working in Sudurpaschim Province. Representatives of 10 GWOs shared their experience regarding their work to end GBV and increase access to justice. Participants shared their success stories and challenges faced by them while working to end GBV. Ms Anjana Vaidya from UN Women and Ms Sabitra Ghimire from DWRF gave their valuable inputs to overcome the challenges and work more prominently to end GBV.



Institutional Support Distribution Program to selected 10 Grassroot Women Organizations

On 9th December, 2021, FWLD organized Institutional Support Distribution Program in Dhangadi. FWLD provided laptop, printer, desk & chair, cabinet, bicycle and other necessary support material to selected 10 GWOs working in the sector to end GBV and increase access to justice in Sudurpaschim Province. The support materials were distributed by Hon. State Minister Mana Kumari Saud, Ministry of Social Development, Sudurpaschim Province.



Leadership and Capacity Building Meeting with Women Networks



A leadership and capacity building meeting was organized with women networks by FWLD, CAC Nepal and Maiti Nepal with the support of UN Women on November 3, 2021 and December 7, 2021 in Kathmandu respectively.

Dialogue on Creating a Safe Space with Marginalized Women

Three dialogue programs were organized by FWLD, CAC Nepal and Maiti Nepal with three different groups of marginalized women on December 19, 2021. The main focus of the dialogue program was hearing out the legal challenges and problems faced by the marginalized women. Many women shared their problems including harassments and violence they faced during their work and family relationship, also number of women are facing citizenship and birth/ marriage registration problems. FWLD will be providing the legal support to the women in those cases. There were 19 participants in first dialogue, 20 participants in second dialogue and 22 participants in third dialogue.



Local level Policy Dialogue on issues of Sexual Violence

FWLD conducted a Local level Policy Dialogue on issues of Sexual Violence with the Budhanilkantha municipality on 29 December 2021. The meeting had presence of Mr. Uddhav Kharel, Mayor of the municipality as Chief Guest, Ms. Rama Rai, Deputy Mayor and Head of Nepal Police, Budhanilkantha unit along with other stakeholders.

Federal level Policy Dialogue on issues of Sexual Violence

FWLD conducted a Federal level Policy Dialogue on issues of Sexual Violence on 30 December 2021. The meeting had presence of representatives from National Women Commission, National Human Rights Commission, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, High Court, Nepal Police Headquarter –Women, Child and Senior Citizens Service Directorate, Nepal Police - Anti-trafficking Bureau, Nepal Police – Kathmandu Metropolitan, Kathmandu Metropolitan, UN Women along with other government agencies.



Social Media Campaign on the occasion of 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence



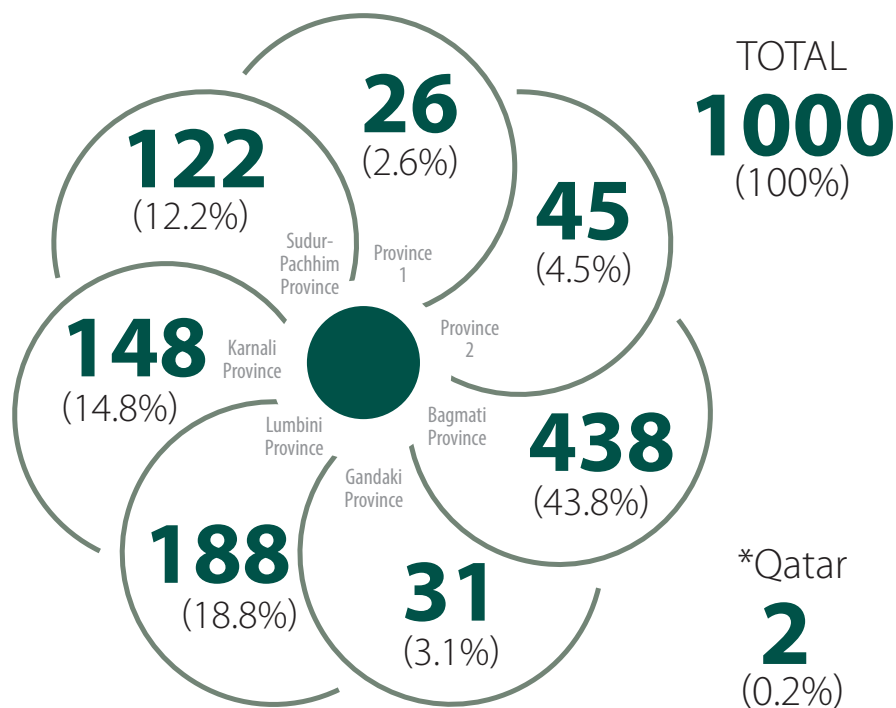


Legal Helpline Services

Introduction

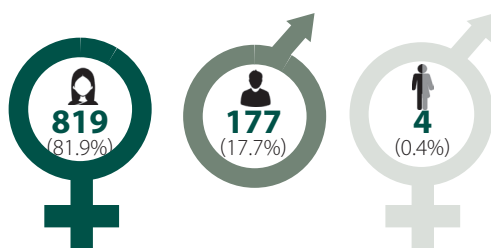
From 3rd April, 2020, Forum for Women, Law and Development (FWLD) started providing emergency legal assistance service with an aim to support and provide service to the service seekers in the context of Covid-19 pandemic. Besides providing legal counseling, this legal helpline service stands for availability of legal support beyond counseling i.e. coordinating, drafting, litigating cases in the court and referring the cases to other concerned authorities and stakeholders as per necessity. This report covers the information of cases collected, data and the service provided from 3rd April 2020 to 30th December, 2021.

Number of Cases Reported (Province-wise)

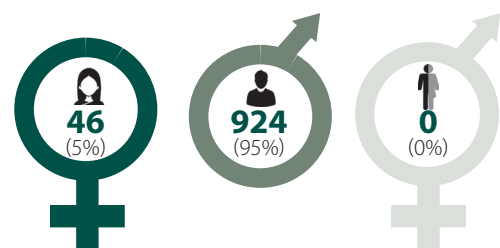


Sex of Survivors and Accused

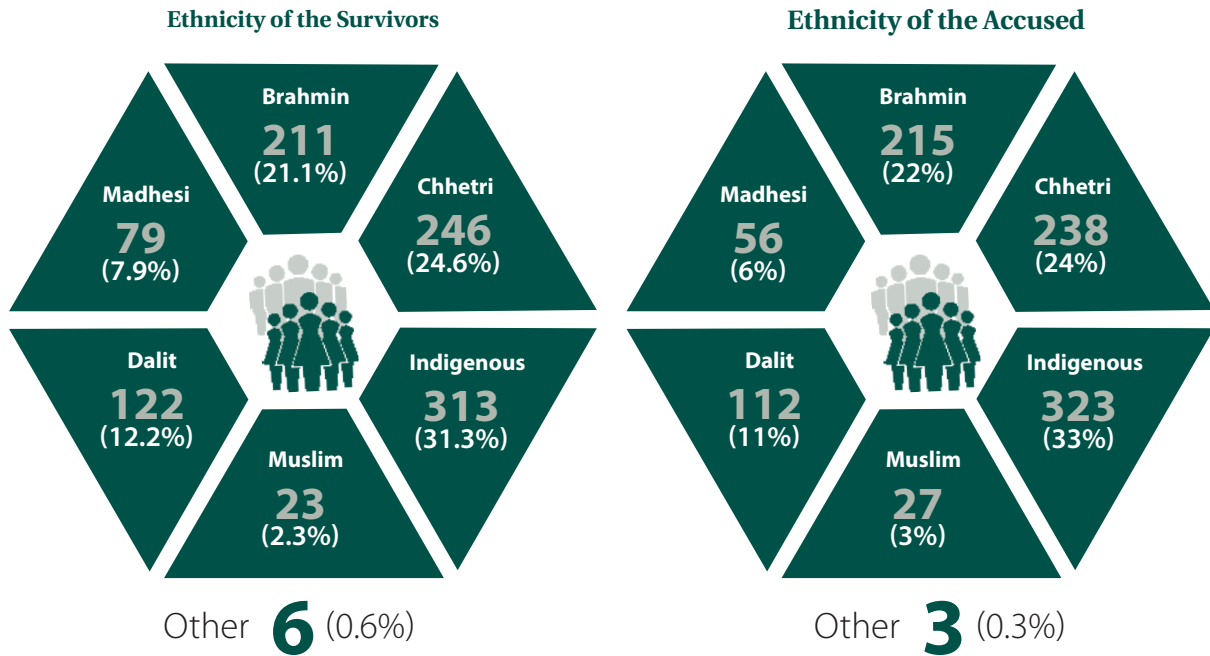
Sex-wise data of the survivors



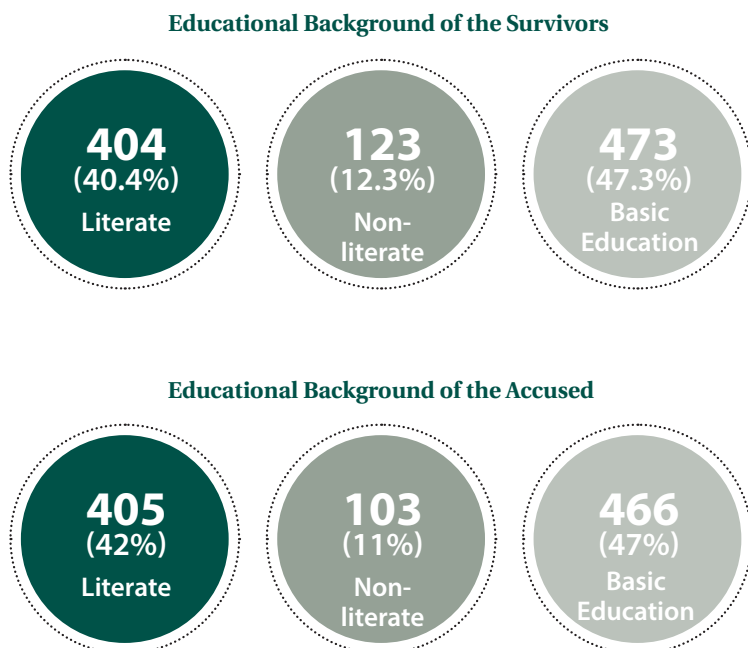
Sex-wise data of the accused



Ethnicity of Survivors and Accused



Educationwise Data of Survivors and Accused



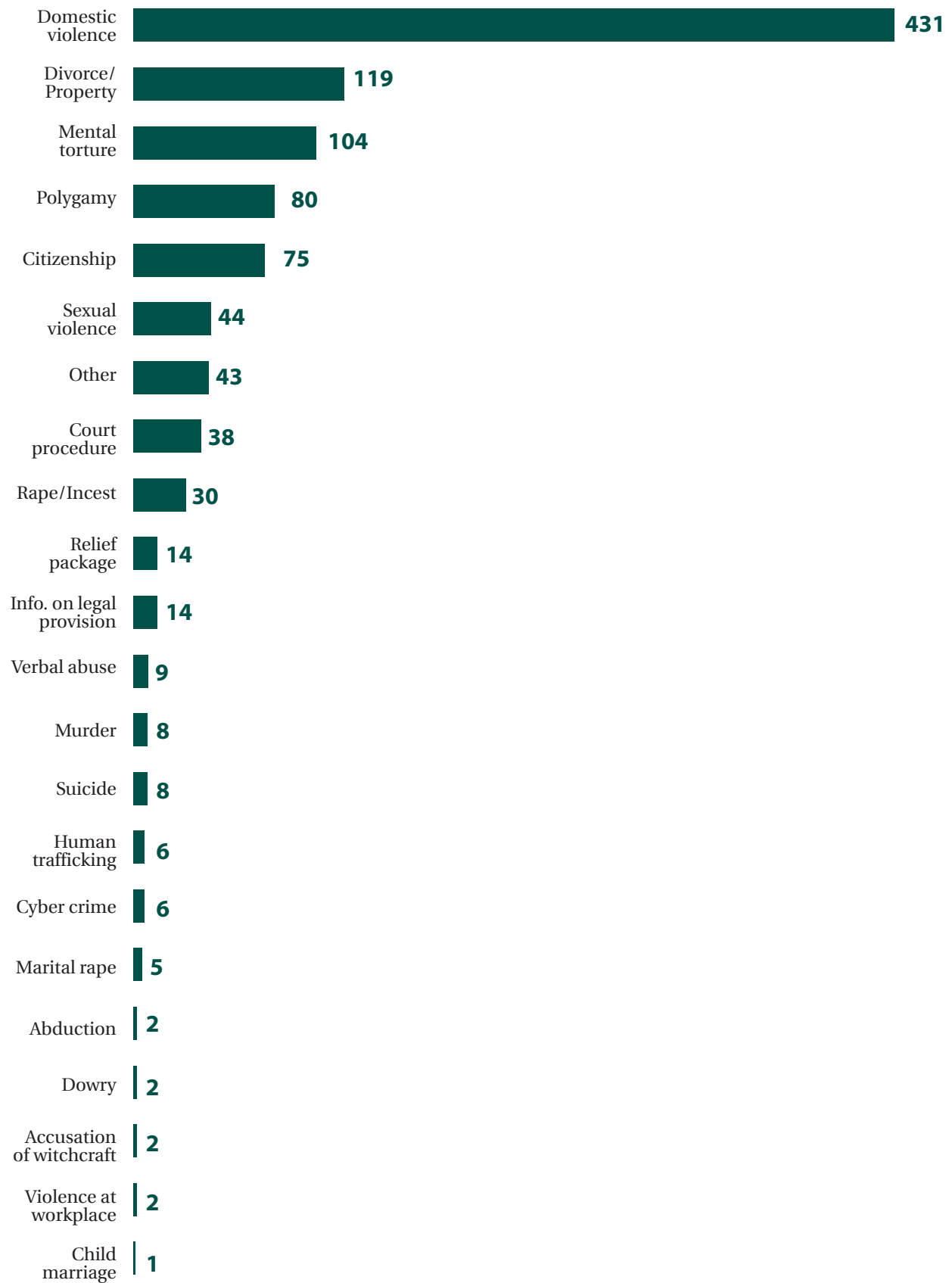
Data of Survivors with Disability



16

of the survivors of GBV reported to have physical disability

Nature of case wise data





Citizenship/Legal Identity

Interaction Program on Legal Identity



An interaction program with the local government's representatives from wards including the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, ward-chairs and ward secretary, representative of registrar section and legal section of Budanilkantha municipality, was jointly organized by Budanilkantha Municipality and FWLD on October 27, 2021. Uddhab Kharel, Mayor

of Budhanilkantha Municipality was the chief guest of the program. Deputy Mayor of Budhanilkantha Municipality Rama Devi Rai, was the Chair Person of the program.

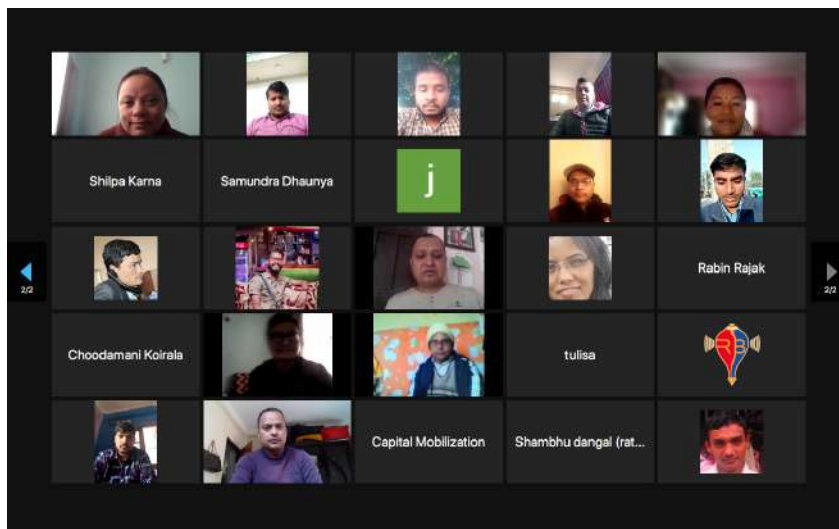
The objective of the program was to aware the ward of the Municipality the importance of legal documents and legal identity.

Media Interaction Program on Citizenship

On November 10, 2021, FWLD conducted a Media Interaction Program on "Difficulties and Challenges of the Six Groups of People who are at the High Risk of Denial of Citizenship". The meeting had presence of 25 participants including media persons from different media houses and representatives of different civil society organizations. The representatives from different civil society organizations advocating for the citizenship rights of the six thematic groups of people who are at the high risk of denial of citizenship including street children, Persons living in slum areas, Survivors of human trafficking and children born to women who are trafficked and in foreign employment and who become the victims of sexual exploitation in a foreign country, women working at so-called entertainment sector and their children, children of single women and children born to the parents who have acquired citizenship by birth presented their presentation on the topic.



Media Interaction Program: Challenges Faced by Children Whose Parents Have Obtained Citizenship by Birth



A Media Interaction Program was conducted by FWLD via online platform (Zoom) on November 15 2021. The objective of the program was to connect the media with the people who are deprived from obtaining citizenship whose parents have obtained citizenship by birth. The deprived citizens shared their problems to the media. Representatives from different media houses were present at the program.

Network Meeting on support to persons without citizenship certificate

A network meeting was organized by FWLD with Biswas Nepal on 17 November 2021. The agenda of the meeting was to support the respondents (persons without citizenship certificate) of the survey for obtaining their citizenship certificate. The meeting was concluded with identifying 12 cases which have high possibility of obtaining citizenship out of 64 cases in phase 1 where FWLD will provide required assistance to obtain citizenship certificate.



Meeting on the Necessary Amendments in Citizenship Laws



To discuss on necessary amendments in citizenship law to in line it with the Constitution as well as various international human rights obligations of Nepal, FWLD, on Friday, November 19, 2021, conducted a meeting with lawyers. The meeting also discussed on the urgent need of passing of the Nepal

Citizenship Act (Amendment) Bill which is under consideration of the Federal Parliament for many years. The meeting had presence of 30 lawyers. They expressed their commitments to join hands in the advocacy for passing of the Bill and also to support the affected people from their individual capacity.

Interaction Program on Legal Identity



An interaction program with the local government's representatives from wards including the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, ward-chairs, ward secretaries and legal section of Biratnagar Metropolitan City, was jointly organized by Biratnagar Metropolitan City and FWLD on November 30, 2021. Bhim Parajuli, Mayor of the Metropolitan City, was the chief guest of the program. Deputy Mayor Indira Karki was the Chair Person of the program. The objective of the program was to discuss on procedures of legal identity documents, challenges faced and way forward.

FWLD, in collaboration with the Ward 11 of the Kathmandu Metropolitan City conducted an interaction program with the members and officials of the Ward 11 of the Kathmandu Metropolitan City on 17th and 18th December 2021. The core objective of the interaction program was to discuss on procedures, challenges and way forward in regards to legal identity documents particularly relating to citizenship certificate and birth registration. The program was graced by the Bagmati Province Parliament Member Honorable Dipendra Shrestha as the Chief Guest and the Chair persons of the Ward 11 of the Kathmandu Metropolitan City Mr. Hiralaal Tandukar was the Chair of the program. Total 23 participants including the Ward Secretary Ms. Patana Dangol and the Justice Administrative Officer of the Kathmandu Metropolitan City Mr. Ram Prasad Poudel, other members of the Ward 11 and officials participated in the program.



Discussion on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and Recommendations and Nationality



On December 23, 2021, the Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee of the House of Representatives called a meeting to discuss on the UPR Recommendations and Nationality. The Committee had invited Honorable Dilendra Prasad Badu, Minister of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Secretary and officials of the Ministry and Secretary, Joint Secretary and officials of the Ministry of Home Affairs along with Honorable members of the committee. All the presented ministries and Honorable members sincerely discussed on the issue

and expressed their commitments for the implementation of the UPR recommendations along with the recommendations of the CEDAW Committee of 2018 in regard to citizenship rights. The Committee requested to table and passage of the Nepal Citizenship Act (Amendment) Bill. Advocate Nabin Kumar Shrestha gave a presentation on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) Recommendations and Citizenship Rights. Advocate Binu Lama and Mr. Binod Chandra Devekota from FWLD were also attended the meeting.

Meeting with the Representatives of Law Colleges and Lawyers

On December 23, 2021 FWLD conducted a meeting with representatives of 5 law colleges including Nepal Law Campus, Chakrabarti Habi Education Academy, National Law College, Kathmandu University School of Law and Kathmandu School of Law along with lawyers to discuss on reformations of laws and procedures in regard to Nationality. During the meeting prevailing discriminatory provisions in Citizenship Law including the Constitution as well procedural hurdles were discussed. The meeting further discussed on the instrumental roles of the educational institutions in reformation of discriminatory laws and practices.



Media interaction on the Necessary Amendments in Citizenship Laws

A Media Interaction Program was conducted by FWLD on December 24, 2021 at Biratnagar. The objectives of the program were to brief the media with the various impact among the people who are deprived from obtaining citizenship certificate and to discuss on necessary amendments in citizenship law in line it with the Constitution as well as various international human rights obligations. The meeting also discussed on the urgent need of passing of the Nepal Citizenship Act (Amendment) Bill which is under consideration of the Federal Parliament for many years. The interaction had presence of 17 journalists. They expressed their commitments to join hands in the advocacy through their media for passing of the Bill.

Necessity of Ratification of the UN Conventions on Statelessness



On December 26, 2021, FWLD conducted a discussion program on necessity to ratify the UN Conventions on Statelessness. Senior Advocate Geeta Aryal, President of FWLD chaired the event. Honorable Krishna Bhakta Pokhrel, Chairperson of the Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee of the Federal Parliament graced the event as the Chief Guest of the program. Honorable Kamala Parajuli, Chair of the National Women Commission

and Honorable Lily Thapa, Member of the National Human Rights Commission graced the event as special guests. Total 30 participants including media persons from different media houses, printed media, TV and online media attended the program. Advocate Sabin Shrestha presented a presentation on the necessity of ratification of the UN Conventions on Statelessness and advocate Nabin Shrestha moderated the event.

Community of Practice

**RIGHT TO BIRTH REGISTRATION:
LEGAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
PERSON'S EXISTENCE**

Nikita Gurung
Litigant for Birth Registration

Adv. Binu Lama
Program Coordinator
FWLD

Adv. Nabin Kumar Shrestha
Facilitator

Binita Bhattarai
Director
Department of National Identity
Card and Civil Registration

Date: November 22, 2021 - Monday
Time: 4:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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जन्मदर्ताको अधिकार: व्यक्तिको अस्तित्वको आधार जन्मदर्ता सम्बन्धी संवाद कार्यक्रम

6 weeks ago · 105.6K views

**Citizenship Rights
and Access to
Justice**

Adv. Sushama Gautam
FWLD

Adv. Dichen Hyelmo Lama
Facilitator

Date:
November 26, 2021 - Friday

Time:
5:30 P.M. onwards

Applicant of Cases on Citizenship

Kirti Thapa

Naran Uthusan Shakya

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

FWLD

नागरिकता अधिकार र न्यायमा पहुँच सम्बन्धी सम्वाद कार्यक्रम

5 weeks ago · 102.9K views

**Legal Struggle for
CITIZENSHIP
and the Experiences**

Adv. Bishvajest Tiwari
Nepalraj High Court
Bar Association

Anjana Chaturvedi
Applicant
Citizenship Case

Dipika Soni
Applicant
Citizenship Case

Mo. Sakil Halwai
Applicant
Citizenship Case

Adv. Roshana Pradhan
Moderator

Date: November 30, 2021 - Tuesday
Time: 4:30 P.M. onwards

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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नागरिकताको लागि कानुनी संघर्ष र अनुभव

5 weeks ago · 179.6K views

MOTHER, MOTHERLAND AND CITIZENSHIP

Kirti Thapa
Citizenship Case
Applicant

Sapana Karki
Citizenship Case
Applicant

Rupen Maharjan
Citizenship Case
Applicant

Adv. Sushama Gautam
FWLD

Adv. Binu Lama
Moderator
FWLD

December 7, 2021 - Tuesday
5:30 P.M. Onwards

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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COP on Mother, Motherland and Citizenship

4 weeks ago · 119K views

On the occasion of International Migrants Day

Migration, Trafficking and Citizenship

Benumaya Gurung
Executive Director
AATWIN

Bishnu B. Khatri
Advocate and
Researcher

Manju Gurung
Strategic Advisor
Pourakhi Nepal

Adv. Roshana Pradhan
Facilitator
FWLD

December 19, 2021
Sunday

11:00 A.M. onwards

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

FWLD

आप्रवासन, मानव बेचबिखन र नागरिकता
सम्बन्धी संवाद कार्यक्रम

2 weeks ago · 105.2K views

Street and Orphan Children and Citizenship

Dialogue program

Speakers

Adv. Uma Tamang
Legal Officer
Maiti Nepal

Adv. Sagar Bhandari
Child Helpline Incharge
CWIN

Adv. Kabita Shrestha
Assistant Professor
Nepal Law Campus

Adv. Neha Gurung
Moderator
FWLD

Date: December 22, 2021 - Wednesday
Time: 3 P.M. - 4 P.M.

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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सडक तथा अनाथ बालबालिका र नागरिकता
संवाद कार्यक्रम

a week ago · 79.7K views

Premier of Short Movie "MOTHERLAND"

Unequal Citizen: State Accountability to Eliminate Discrimination and Ensure Equality

Hon. Lily Thapa
Member
National Human Rights Commission

Mellisa Uprety
Chair
UN Working Group on Discrimination
against Women and Girls

Adv. Sabin Shrestha
Executive Director
FWLD

Ameshya Rayamajhi
Moderator
FWLD

Date: December 23, 2021 - Thursday
Time: 6 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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असमान नागरिक: विभेद अन्त्य र समानताको
सुनिश्चितताको लागि राज्यको उत्तरदायित्व

a week ago · 97.8K views

Stories of Struggle and Success in Acquiring Citizenship

Adv. Himadevi Basnet
Citizenship writ petitioner

Rashmi Magar
Citizenship writ petitioner

Nitesh Tamang
Citizenship writ petitioner

Moderator
Adv. Ritu Thapa
FWLD

Date: December 27, 2021 - Monday | Time: 4:00 P.M. onwards | <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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a week ago · 84.4K views

Right to Citizenship: Problem and Solution

Adv. Sunil Kumar Shrestha
Vice-President
Nepal Bar Association

Barsha Sharma
Citizenship writ petitioner

Sumit Sonar
Citizenship writ petitioner

Moderator
Adv. Nabin Kumar Shrestha
FWLD

Date: December 28, 2021 - Tuesday
Time: 9:00 A.M. onwards

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COP on Citizenship Rights: Problems and Addressal

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CITIZENSHIP IN MEDIA

Speakers

KAMALA PANTHI
Radio Kantipur and Vice Chair, Sancharika Samuha

RAM KUMAR KAMAT
The Himalayan Times

BIDHYA RAI
Kantipur Daily

SAMJHANA BK
Online Khabar

Moderator
Adv. Kritagya Rai
FWLD

Date: December 31, 2021 - Friday
Time: 9:00 A.M.

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सञ्चारमा नागरिकता

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ILO Convention No. 190



Discussion Program with Media Persons

FWLD, FAR and CWGL conducted a Discussion Program with Media Persons on “Necessity of Ratification of ILO Convention Violence and Harassment 190” on 9 November 2021. The meeting had presence of Honorable Binda Pandey, member of House of Representatives, advocate Sabin Shrestha, FWLD and Ms. Shrada Rijal, Under Secretary, Office of PM and Council of Ministers as key speakers of the program.

National Coalition to Advocate for the Ratification of C190



FWLD on the occasion of 16 days of Activism against Gender based Violence launched an infographics video on the Necessity of Ratification of ILO C190 in the second meeting of the National

Coalition to Advocate for the Ratification of C190 on 19 November, 2021. The meeting had presence of coalition members and they discussed on the future roadmap and strategies for advocating on the issue.

Roundtable meeting on ILO C190 and model code of conduct

FWLD in collaboration with FAR/CWGL, ILO and National Coalition for Ratification of ILO C190 conducted a Roundtable Meeting on ILO C190 and model code of conduct on 17 December 2021. The chief guest of the meeting was hon'ble Kamala Parajuli, chair of National Women Commission. The meeting had presence of representatives from Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizens, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Ministry of Home, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Supply, Court, National Human Rights Commission, Nepal Police, ILO and Civil Society Organizations. The meeting was chaired by senior advocate Geeta Aryal, chair of FWLD.



National Consultation Meeting



FWLD conducted a National Consultation Meeting on the Ratification Process of ILO 190 on 20 December 2021. The objective of the consultation was to build up a common understanding of the process of ratification of the conventional and our

way forward for the same. The consultation had presence of members of National Coalition for Ratification of ILO 190, C190 Action Group, media and other concerned stakeholders along with representative from ILO Nepal.



अन्तराष्ट्रिय श्रम संगठनको हिंसा र दुर्व्यवहार महासन्धि १९० को अनुमोदनको आवश्यकता Youtube Link: <https://youtu.be/-...>
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Infographic Video on ILO C190
<https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org/videos/579055970052254>



Infographic Video on Ratification Process of ILO C190
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RLX29o4ox4Y>

Community of Practice

Kripa Basnyat
National Project Coordinator
ILO Nepal

Goma Pandey
Home Based Worker Focal Point,
Class Nepal

Sabin Shrestha
Executive Director
FWLD

Adv. Neha Gurung
Facilitator

VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT IN THE WORLD OF WORK: WHAT WILL ADDRESS IT ?

Date: 21 November 2021
Sunday
Time: 11:00 A.M.

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ILO-190 FLive Dialogue
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Laws Against Violence and Harassment and Status of Implementation

Rameshwar Pd. Yadav
Superintendent of Police
Women, Children and Senior Citizen
Service Directives
Nepal Police

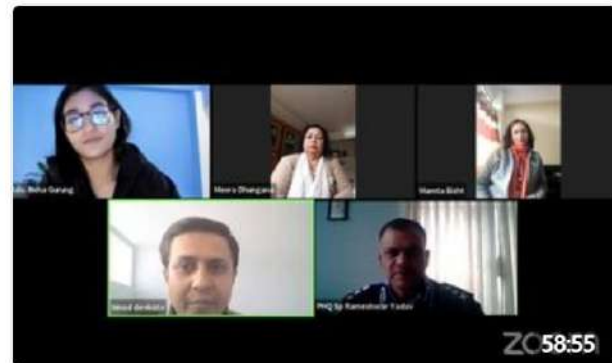
Mamata Bisia
Head
GBV Division,
Ministry of Women, Children
and Senior Citizen

Adv. Meera Dhungana
FWLD

Binod Chandra Devkota
Facilitator

Date: November 26, 2021 - Friday
Time: 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

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हिंसा र दुर्व्यवहार विरुद्धको कानुन र कार्यान्वयनको अवस्था बारे संवाद कार्यक्रम
5 weeks ago · 75K views

VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT IN HEALTH SECTOR

Dr. Rabita Shrestha Mulmi
(GESI Expert)
Executive Member, NDRI

Dr. Laxmi Tamang
President
MIDSON

Sharmila Thapa
Registered Sr. Nurse
C190 Action Group Member

December 3, 2021
Friday
11 A.M. onwards

Adv. Roshana Pradhan
Moderator
FWLD

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स्वास्थ्य क्षेत्रमा हिंसा र दुर्व्यवहार
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Reproductive Health Rights

RHRWG meeting



The meeting of Reproductive Health Rights Working Group (RHRWG) was held on 25th October, 2021 in Equality Now Hall of Forum for Women, Law

and Development (FWLD), Thapathali, Kathmandu. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Kamala Parajuli, Chairperson of NWC.

It was held to share and discuss the newly drafted monitoring framework specific to SRHR issues and to discuss on new membership in RHRWG.

Joint Monitoring Visit with NWC



▲ Joint monitoring visit with NWC at Rolpa district

From November 9 and 10, 2021, a team on the coordination of National Women Commission completed a joint monitoring in Rolpa district, Lumbini Province to observe the status of reproductive and safe abortion services at local level. The monitoring team of 11 people comprised of Honorable Kamala Kumari Parajuli (Chairperson of National Women Commission-NWC), Mr. Pushpa Katuwal (Joint Secretary of NWC), Ms. Kamala Panta and Ms. Mamata Giri from Interparty Women Alliance, Dr. Punya Poudel of Family Welfare Division (FWD), Ms. Kalpana Paudel of Health Directorate, Lumbini Province, Adv. Nabin Kumar Shrestha and Adv. Neha Gurung of FWLD, Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya, Dr. Lhamu Sherpa and Mr. Jivan Devkota of Ipas Nepal.



▲ Joint monitoring visit with NWC at Doti district

On December 15 and 16, 2021, a team on the coordination of National Women Commission completed a joint monitoring in Doti district, Sudurpaschim Province to observe the status of reproductive and safe abortion services at local level. The monitoring team of 10 people comprised of Honorable Jaya Ghimire and Honorable Sabitra Kumari Sharma (Members of National Women Commission-NWC), Ms. Anju Dhungana (Deputy Secretary of NWC), Ms. Dipa Shrestha from Interparty Women Alliance, Ms. Shreejana Banmali, Ministry of Health, Mr. Ramhari Ojha (journalist), Adv. Nabin Kumar Shrestha and Adv. Neha Gurung of FWLD, Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya, Dr. Lhamu Sherpa Mr. Siddha Raj Joshi and Mr. Bishnu Nepali of Ipas Nepal.



Capacity building with youths on SRHR

On 8th December 2021, FWLD and CRR successfully conducted capacity building with youths on Sexual and Reproductive Health Right. The keynote speakers and facilitators of this whole day program were, Former Chief Justice Honorable Kalyan Shrestha, Advocate Sabin Shrestha, Advocate Prabina Bajracharya, Advocate Prabhakar Shrestha, Advocate Nabin Shrestha, Ms. Durga Sapkota and Advocate Neha Gurung.

Consultation meeting with Media Person

A consultation meeting with media Person on SRHR was conducted on 30th December, 2021 in Kathmandu. The meeting was organized by FWLD and Ipas Nepal.

Adv. Nabin Kumar Shrestha of FWLD and Ms. Madhabi Bajracharya of Ipas Nepal was facilitated and gave the presentation. The objective of the meeting to updated about recent development in RH laws and policies and to follow-up with them regarding the amendment of abortion related laws in terms of decriminalization. Various journalist of media houses were the participants of the meeting.



Reproductive Health Rights **Legal Clinic**

Free Legal Service by Forum for Women, Law and Development (FWLD) to Respect, Protect and Fulfill Reproductive Health Rights

Legal assistance to survivors of offences related to reproductive health under section 25 of Safe Motherhood and Reproductive Health Rights Act, 2018

Service available in all 77 districts

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Inclusive Transitional Justice

Meeting with Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister



A meeting was held on 1st November, 2021 with Honorable Mr. Dilendra Prasad Badu, Minister, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs.

Discussions on the current status of transitional justice procedure and on the need to address the demands of conflict victims were done.

DISTRICT LEVEL DIALOGUE PROGRAM



A district level dialogue program titled “Role of Local Government in Self-employment of Conflict Victims” was conducted in Badhaiyataal, Bardiya on 25th October, 2021. The program was chaired by Mr. Lal Bahadur Shrestha, Chair of Badhaiyataal Rural Municipality, Bardiya. The program was participated by members of District Transitional Justice Network, Bardiya and conflict victims. Certificates to the participants of Social, Gender and Economic Empowerment Training was also distributed in the dialogue program.

A district dialogue program titled “Justice of Conflict Victim” was conducted on the occasion of 15 years of Comprehensive Peace Agreement in Nepalgunj, Banke on 21st November, 2021. The chief guest of the event was Mr. I.P Kharel, Member of Provincial Assembly, Lumbini Province. There were altogether 59 participants who comprised of conflict victims, representatives from Human Rights Organizations, political parties, local representatives, police officials and media.





← A District Dialogue program titled “Conflict Related Sexual Violence and Role of Stakeholders in Victim’s Justice” was conducted on 30th November, 2021 in Nepalgunj, Banke. The chief guest of the event was Ms. Uma Thapa Magar, Deputy Mayor of Nepalgunj Sub-metropolitan City. There were altogether 40 participants who comprised of representatives from Women, Children and Senior Citizen Department, Office of District Attorney (Banke), Women Cell, conflict victims, Ward Police Office, conflict victims organizations, Human Rights Organizations, media person and other concerned stakeholders.

→ A District Level Dialogue Program titled 'Right to Reparation and Access to Justice of Conflict Victims' was conducted on 27th December, 2021 in Dhangadi, Kailali. The program was chaired by Mr. Ganesh Malla, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali. The program saw the presence of various Ward Chairpersons and members, Conflict Victims, representatives from civil society, District Coordination Committee, Kailali and mediaperson.



National Dialogue Program on Recommendations of Universal Periodic Report (UPR) for Transitional Justice



A National Dialogue Program titled Recommendations of Universal Periodic Report (UPR) for Transitional Justice was conducted on 3rd November, 2021 in Kathmandu. The chief guest of the program was Mr. Murari Prasad Kharel, Acting Secretary of National Human Rights Commission. Similarly, the other guests were Ms. Astha Subba from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Rajendra Parajuli, Joint Secretary of Office of Prime Minister and Council of Ministers, Mr. Lok Hari Bashyal, Under Secretary of Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs and Mr. Guruprasad Pokhrel from Ministry of Home Affairs. The dialogue program was participated by representatives of various conflict victim organizations, conflict victims and organizing team.

Role of Local and Provincial Government in Reparation addressing the immediate reparative needs of Conflict Victim in Nepal

A provincial dialogue titled "Role of Local and Provincial Government in Reparation addressing the immediate reparative needs of Conflict Victim in Nepal" was conducted in Butwal, Lumbini Province on 25th November, 2021. the dialogue program was participated by Hon. Dipa B.K, member of Provincial Assembly (Lumbini Province), Mr. Rajendra Thapa, Secretary of Ministry of Law, Women, Children and Senior Citizen (Lumbini) and Ms. Sharda Bashyal, Head of Social Department, MOLWCWSC. The other participants of the dialogue program were



representatives from Provincial Assembly Secretariat, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communication, civil society,

District Transitional Justice Network, local representatives from Dang, Banke and Bardiya and mediaperson.



A Provincial Dialogue Program titled 'Role of Local and Provincial Government to address Reparative and Immediate Needs of Conflict Victims' was conducted on 28th December, 2021 in Dhangadhi, Kailali. The program was chaired by Mr. Ganesh Malla, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali. The chief guest of the event was Honorable Ms. Purna Joshi, Minister, Ministry of Law and Internal Affairs, Sudurpaschim Province. The special guests were Mr. Krishna Prasad Nepal, Under Secretary, Office of Chief Minister & Council of Ministers, Mr. Kiran Thapa, Chief District Officer, Kailali, Mr. Ganesh Bahadur Singh, Province Secretary, Ministry of Social Development and members of Provincial Assembly. The event also saw the presence of representatives from National Human Rights Commission, District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali, CSOs, conflict victims and media person.

Submission of memorandum



A memorandum was submitted to Hon. Kulprasad K.C, Chief Minister, Lumbini Province on 25th November, 2021 by District Transitional Justice Network of Dang, Banke and Bardiya through Mr. Rajendra Thapa, Secretary,

Ministry of Law, Women, Children and Senior Citizen (Lumbini Province). The memorandum highlights the demands of conflict victims, their reparative needs and the necessity to address their issues.

One to one advocacy meeting



A one to one advocacy meeting was conducted on 30th November, 2021 with Ms. Dipa Kumari Gautam, Vice-chair of Badhaiyataal Rural Municipality, Bardiya. Discussions were made regarding the allocation of budget for programs focusing conflict victim women in the municipality.

COMMUNITY DIALOGUE PROGRAM

A Community Dialogue titled "Role of Concerned Stakeholders to address the need of Conflict Victims" was conducted on 1st December, 2021 in Dhangadi Sub-metropolitan City-18, Kailali. The dialogue program was chaired by Mr. Ganesh Malla, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali and the chief guest of the event was Mr. Muraru Adhikari, Chair of Dhangadi Sub-metropolitan City Ward 18. The participants of the event comprised of representatives from ward office, political parties, CSOs and conflict victims.



A community dialogue titled "Role of Stakeholders on addressing needs and issues of Conflict Victims" was conducted on 2nd December, 2021 in Kailari Rural Municipality-4, Kailali. The dialogue program was chaired by Mr. Ganesh Malla, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali. The participants of the event comprised of representatives from ward office, health post, political leaders, conflict victims and local stakeholders.

MEDIA DIALOGUE PROGRAM

A media dialogue was conducted on 5th December, 2021 in Gulariya, Bardiya. The event was chaired by Mr. Bhagiram Chaudhary, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Bardiya. Various media houses and conflict victims were the participants of the dialogue program.



A media dialogue was conducted on 6th December, 2021 in Nepalgunj, Banke. The event was chaired by Ms. Chandrakala Uprety, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Banke. Representatives from National Human Rights Commission (Banke), Bar Association, various media houses and conflict victims were the participants of the dialogue program.

A media dialogue was conducted on 29th December, 2021 in Dhangadi, Kailali. The event was chaired by Mr. Ganesh Malla, Coordinator of District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali. Various media houses, conflict victims and members of DTJN, Kailali were the participants of the dialogue program.



District Transitional Justice Network (DTJN) meeting



A meeting of District Transitional Justice Network (DTJN) Kailali was held on 13th December, 2021 in Kailali. Discussions on the upcoming programs and activities were made in the meeting.

Support Distribution Program for Economic Empowerment of Conflict Victims



FWLD organised a 'Support Distribution Program for Economic Empowerment of Conflict Victims' under Family Centric Approach Program on 30th December, 2021 in Hasuliya, Kailari Rural Municipality, Kailali. The support were provided to 10 conflict victim families who participated in the 15-week Social, Gender and Economic Empowerment Trainings. The support included various materials necessary to start a new business and to upgrade the ongoing one.

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Community of Practice Beneficiary Conflict Victims

Psycho-social Aspects and Experience of Conflict Victim


Date:
November 19, 2021 - Friday

Time:
1:30 P.M. onwards


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Pitambar Koirala
Program Head, TPO Nepal




Ratna Maya Lama
Facilitator, TPO Nepal




Ganesh Malla
District Transitional Justice Network, Kailali






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JUSTICE IN CONFLICT RELATED SEXUAL VIOLENCE: COMMITMENT AND REALITY




Laxmi Prokharal
Advocate



Gita Rasalli
Vice-Chair
Conflict Victim Women National Network (CVWN)






Devi Sunuwar
Conflict Victim/Member
CVWN



Adv. Deepesh Shrestha
Facilitator
FWLD

4th December, 2021
Saturday

10:00 AM to 11:00am



Justice in Conflict Related Sexual Violence: Commitment and Reality
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Medical Issues and Reparation of Conflict Victims

December 24, 2021 - Friday


3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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Conflict Victim Beneficiaries



Mangati Tharu
Bardiya




Radhika Khatri
Kailali






Kamala Panta
Banke

Facilitator



Adv. Goma Mahara
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Human Trafficking

Consultation Meeting with Government Agencies on Implementation of Palermo Protocol

FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Consultation Meeting with Government Agencies on Implementation of Palermo Protocol on 29 October 2021. The meeting had presence of representatives from Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen, Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Anti-Trafficking Bureau, Nepal Police Women, Children and Senior Citizen Service Directorate, Office of Attorney General, National Human Rights Commission and National Women Commission along with representatives from civil society organizations. Participants discussed on the draft amendment proposal on the Human Trafficking and Transportation (Control) Act 2007.



Consultation Meeting with Provincial Government and Parliament

FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Consultation Meeting with Provincial Government and Parliament on laws and policies regarding rehabilitation center and fund for TIP Survivors in Hetauda, Bagmati Province on 1 November 2021. The meeting had presence of Honorable Minister of Ministry of Social Development of Bagmati Province, representative from Ministry of Internal Affairs and Law, Nepal Police, Secretariat of Provincial Assembly, government officials from Ministry of Social Development along with members of the newly formed committee to formulate of provincial policies on the issue. Participants shared on the progress regarding the law formulation process. Honorable Ministers and concerned officials committed to formulate the law with technical support from FWLD.



FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Consultation Meeting with Provincial Government and Parliament on laws and policies regarding rehabilitation center and fund for TIP Survivors in Dhangadhi, Sudur Paschim Province on 14 November 2021. The meeting had presence of Honorable Chair of Social Development Committee and Honorable Chair of Legislation Committee of Sudur Paschim Province Assembly, representatives from Provincial Ministries, Nepal Police, Chief Attorney Office, Civil Society Organizations. Participants shared on the progress regarding the law formulation process. Honorable Chair and members of Provincial Assembly and concerned officials committed to formulate the law as matter of priority.



Provincial Dialogue on Domestication of Palermo Protocol and Implementation



FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Provincial Dialogue on Domestication and Implementation of Palermo Protocol in Dhangadhi, Sudur Paschim Province on 15 November 2021. The meeting had presence of representatives from Court, Police, Government Attorney, BaR Association, Judicial Committee, OCMC, Legal Aid Committee, Shelter Homes and Civil Society Organizations.



FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Provincial Dialogue on Domestication of Palermo Protocol and Implementation in Butwal, Lumbini Province on 23 November 2021. The meeting had presence of Secretary of Law, Women, Children and Senior Citizen Ministry, Joint Attorney, Registrar of High Court, representative from Ministry of Internal Affairs, Nepal Police, OCMC, and other concerned stakeholders. Participants discussed on the implementation of Palermo Protocol and necessity of awareness on the Protocol. They also discussed on issues of interim compensation, confidentiality and compensation to the victim of TIP issues in the meeting.

Quarterly Meeting With Stakeholders and Publication Launch



FWLD with the support of USAID, UKaid and Winrock International under Hamro Samman project conducted a Quarterly Meeting With Stakeholders and Publication Launch Meeting on 10 December 2021. Ms. Yam Kumari Khatiwada, Secretary of Ministry of Women, Children and Senior Citizen. Ms. Khatiwada graced the meeting as Chief Guest and launched 3 publications

on anti-trafficking issues. The meeting also had presence of DIG, Mr, Rajesh Lal Karma, Nepal Police, Women, Children and Senior Citizen Service Directorate. The meeting had also presence of representative from Office of Prime Ministers, MOLJPA, MOLESS, Anti-Trafficking Bureau, Nepal Police, Metro Police (Women Cell), High Court, Kathmandu Metropolitan city and ward office.

Community of Practice

Establishment of Provincial Rehabilitation Fund for Human Trafficking Survivor and Achievement

Hon. Kalyananda Upadhyay
Chief Minister, Sudurpashchim Province

Rajendra Chapa
Secretary, Office of Chief Minister and Ministry of Law, Women, Children and Senior Citizen, Lumbini Province

Gopal Pr. Mandal
Head of Department, Ministry of Social Development, Bagmati Province

Adv. Lalita Shrestha
Coordinator, Bagmati Province, FWLD

Adv. Nagendra P.A. Bishya
Coordinator, Lumbini Province, FWLD

Adv. Beena Pradhan Shrestha
Coordinator, Sudurpashchim Province, FWLD

Binod Chandra Devkota
Moderator, FWLD

Date : 9th December, 2021 - Thursday
Time : 11 A.M. - 12-00 P.M.

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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On the occasion of International Migrants Day

Protection of Rights of Migrant Workers

Ashok Rana
President, NNSM

Adv. Som Luttel
Advisor, People Forum for Human Rights

Bijaya Raj Shrestha
Executive Director, AMKAS

Adv. Sabin Shrestha
Executive Director, FWLD

Adv. Roshana Pradhan
Facilitator, FWLD

Date : December 18, 2021
Saturday

Time : 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

The event will be LIVE on <https://www.facebook.com/fwld.org>

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On the occasion 16 Days Campaign against GBV

FORMULATION OF LAW ON ENTERTAINMENT SECTOR AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUIDELINE ON THE ISSUE

Tara Bhandari
Founder, Bioswas Nepal

Adv. Anita Thapalia
Executive Chairperson, LACC

Adv. Binu Lama
Moderator, FWLD

Chandrika Ojha
Entertainment Sector Worker

Date : December 2, 2021, Thursday • Time: 11 a.m.

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Virtual Policy Dialogue on Formulation of Law on Entertainment Sector and Implementation of Guideline o...

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Supplementary Activities

Strategic Planning Meeting

FWLD organized Strategic Planning Meeting on 11th and 12th December, 2021 at Pokhara.

Board members and employees of FWLD participated in the strategic planning meeting. The meeting focused on the review of existing plan and activities of FWLD and drafted new plan of action to work more smoothly and effectively. Participants gave their inputs on different modality and areas that needed to be explored to achieve the goal of FWLD which is non discrimination, equality and just society.



FWLD Personnel in Different Media

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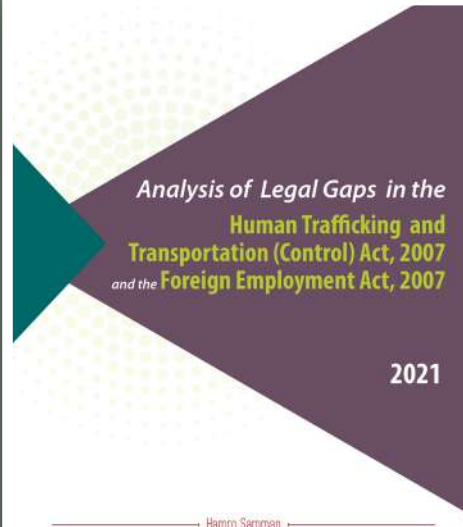
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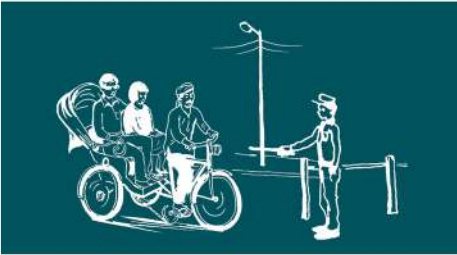
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MEDIA COVERAGE

THE HIMALAYAN TIMES, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

Rights activists urge Parliament to pass citizenship bill

Himalayan News Service
Kathmandu, November 10

Rights activists have urged the Parliament to pass the citizenship bill to end the sufferings of many eligible citizens who are not able to avail state services due to lack of a new federal citizenship law.

A citizenship bill registered in the Parliament three years ago, remains stuck in the parliamentary panel due to lack of consensus among political parties and a new ordinance that was brought by the erstwhile KP Sharma Oli government to grant citizenship, mainly to children of citizens by birth, also has been stayed by the Supreme Court.

Chair of Nepali Ekata Samaj Bimala Tamang, who assists landless people, said many landless people had not been able to obtain land ownership certificate because of lack of citizenship. She said many landless people who migrated to different places long time ago were being told by government authorities to go to their birth place to obtain citizenship.

"But many landless people had left their birth place decades ago and if they went to their birth place now, nobody would recognise them and assists them to get a recommendation letter from their ward office for their citizenship," she argued.

Addressing an interaction organised by Forum for Women, Law and Development today, Tamang said the government was intentionally not giving citizenship to eligible citizens.

Project Officer of Alliance Against Trafficking in Women and Children in Nepal Karuna Maharjan said many women victims of human trafficking, who gave birth to children were facing difficulties obtaining citizenship for their children in the absence of the identity of the fathers of their children. She said many women who had lost their husband were also not being assisted by their hus-

band's siblings and parents to obtain citizenship because the husband's family feared they would have to give a share of property if she obtained her citizenship.

Programme Manager of Women for Human Rights Rajni Raymajhi said many poor eligible citizens were not able to acquire citizenship because of lack of money. "One has to go to the District Administration Office to obtain his/her citizenship and in the case of poor people, this becomes a problem because they do not have money to go to district headquarters," she added.

Programme Officer of CIWIN Bimala Tiwari said that many street children were not able to receive COVID-19 vaccine due to lack of citizenship. Project Coordinator of Biswas Nepal Kamal Sapkota said many women who had not been able to obtain their citizenship were working in the entertainment sector, but they were exploited by society due to their vulnerability.

"Women, who work in the entertainment industry, cannot easily rent a room and they feel compelled to have a live-in relation with boys. When they become pregnant, their partners, who have given false identity run away from such women," she added. She said children of citizenship less women live in limbo for two three generations.

Advocate Binu Lama of FWLD said that six types of people — single women, women who have returned from foreign employment, landless people, street children and human trafficking victims — were at risk of being deprived of citizenship. All the rights activist who spoke at the interaction urged the government to pass the citizenship bill immediately. She said rights activists had lobbied the government to list a question to count people who have not been able to obtain their citizenship, but the government agency did not include the question in the list.



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Nepal

Conflict victims condemn govt for failing to amend act

By Himalayan News Service
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Conflict victims condemn govt for failing to amend act. Illustration: Ratna Sagar Shrestha/THH

KATHMANDU, NOVEMBER 3

Conflict victims have condemned the government's failure to amend the Truth Reconciliation Act as ordered by the Supreme Court. They have demanded that no amnesty be granted for serious offences committed during the decade-long Maoist insurgency.

Devi Sunuwar, mother of Maina Sunuwar who was killed by security personnel in Kavre during the Maoist insurgency, said Kavre District Court had awarded life term to the members of the Nepali Army who were found guilty, but ironically, she

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Govt urged to ratify Violence and Harassment Convention (190)

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Stakeholders have urged the government to ratify Violence and Harassment Convention, 2019 (No. 190).

Addressing an interaction organized by Forum for Women, Law and Development here today, member of the House of Representatives Bindu Pandey said ILO Convention 190 was a comprehensive convention that encompassed both formal and informal sectors and took care of the mental and economic toll that sexual violence and harassment took on victims, particularly working girls.

She said the government and the mining and opposition parties must have political will to adopt the convention.

Pandey said the government had already made basic preparation for the new convention by making anti-sexual harassment laws and some other relevant laws, and hence it would not have to make huge preparation for adoption of the convention.

Executive Director of FWLD Advocate Sabin Shrestha said some basic laws had already been enacted by the government to deal with sexual violence and harassment at the workplace, but those laws were far from enough and adopting the new ILO Convention 190 would address lacunae in Nepal's relevant laws. He said the Sexual Violence and Harassment Convention, 2019 (190) not only encompassed formal and informal work place, the journey from and to work places also made the employer responsible.

"Male co-workers repeatedly molested female co-workers at a carpet factory in Birtamodar when the lights went out and when the victims' complained to the management, the managers would tell the victims that they would take action against the victims but they had to catch them red-handed," Shrestha said and added that the new convention would address such a situation as it also placed responsibility on the employer to do enough to ensure safe environment at the work place. He said there were only two cases filed under the anti-sexual harassment law in the last seven years, which meant that the law was not enough to deal with problems of sexual harassment and violence at the work place.

Under secretary at the Prime Minister's Office Shradha Rijal said the government was still studying the responsibilities that it would have to shoulder after ratifying the convention. The government was still studying the convention as an important international instrument that covers both formal and informal sectors, and also the mental and economic sufferings that victims of sexual violence and harassment often go through, she added.

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काठमाडौं, कात्तिक २९ गते । धनुषाको गणेशमान चारनाथ नगरपालिका-३ निवासी इन्जिनियर इन्द्रजित साफोले नागरिकता नभएकै कारण भारतमा इन्जिनियरिङ अध्ययन गर्नु भयो । नागरिकता नहुँदा सबै अवसरबाट आफू वञ्चित हुनुपरेको बताउँदै उहाँले भन्नुभयो, "नेपाली हुनुको पहिचान स्वीकार गर्न बाध्यता कहिलेसम्म ?"

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पहुरा समाचारदाता धनगढी, २८ कार्तिक । सुदूरपश्चिम प्रदेशमा सदस्य तथा प्रदेश मन्त्रालयका कर्मचारीहरूको हाली मानव वेचविखन तथा ओसारपसार सम्बन्धी ऐन निर्माणकै पहल कैना प्रतिवद्धता जनाएकै बढे।

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Lawmakers urged to pass new citizenship bill

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Children of citizens by birth who have not been able to obtain their citizenship due to lack of new citizenship law have urged lawmakers to pass the new citizenship bill immediately to end their misery.

At an interaction organised by Forum for Women, Law and Development, Qassim Ansari, 23, of Nawalparasi (West) said his father was eligible for citizenship by descent, but government officials gave him citizenship by birth. Due to that error, he has not been able to

obtain his citizenship. He said he had pursued technical course after completing 10+2, but could not get any job. Now he is compelled to work as a daily wager in India along with his father. "My father has a loan to repay and I want to help him, but I don't have the job I deserve," he lamented.

He said around 3,000 people from his village in Nawalparasi (West), who had not been able to obtain their citizenship, staged sit-in at the rural municipality twice and submitted memorandum to the district administration office. However, nobody has addressed their

problems. Ajay Poddar, 24, a resident of Morang district, said he kept switching jobs due to lack of citizenship. "I lost a job yesterday because I could not produce my citizenship certificate. Many people wonder why I change my job frequently. I cannot tell them my story," he said.

He said Indian border police did not allow him to come from Joghani border due to lack of citizenship certificate. "When I try to travel on train in India where I pursued my study, I fear that I might get arrested anytime by the railway authorities," he said.

Indrajit Saphi, 28, of Dhamsa, said he could not take entrance exam for two years after completion of 10+2 exams. After two years, he went to India to pursue engineering degree. Now, even after passing the BE Civil Engineering course, he has not been able to get license or job due to lack of citizenship. His parents have acquired citizenship by birth. Saphi said he was detained twice in New Delhi for not possessing identity card. "It was only after I showed my college certificates that I was released by the police in India," he said, adding, "I had to always buy

train tickets in my friends' names to travel in India."

Executive Director of Forum for Women, Law and Development Sabin Shrestha said that rights activists and stateless people needed to work together to file a case in the Supreme Court and continue building pressure on the government.

Shrestha said FWLD had carried out a study on citizenship issue by analysing the 2011 census. Out of 600,000 people who reach the age of 16 years every year, the home ministry has been issuing citizenship to only around 400,000 people. "This means

200,000 people have not been able to acquire citizenship every year," he added. He said the number of people without citizenship could have reached 6.3 million by now. He said despite their efforts, the Bureau of Central Statistics did not list questions related to citizenship in the new census drive that started last week.

According to Shrestha, people who are eligible to obtain their citizenship but are yet to obtain it due to lack of new citizenship law must file a case at the SC seeking compensation for their lost opportunity due to lack of citizenship.

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Govt urged to ratify UN convention on statelessness

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Chair of Law, Justice, and Human Rights Committee of the House of Representatives Krishna Bhakta Pokharel said that eligible citizens were not able to obtain their citizenship mainly because of the negative attitude of political leaders, government bureaucrats, and the judiciary.

Addressing a programme organised by Forum for Women and Development on problems of statelessness, Pokharel said that political leaders and judges were acting as if sovereignty of the country was vested in them. "Citizenship ordinance brought by the KP Sharma Oli government was fully in consonance with the constitution and yet the Supreme Court stayed the ordinance," he said and added that bureaucrats should not refuse to register birth as that was just an event. "Anybody, who stays in Nepal can give birth to a child and the local levels must not refuse to issue birth registration certificate," he added. He said political leaders had unnecessary fear that if people were allowed to obtain citizenship on the basis of mother's nationality, nephews and nieces born to Nepali mother and foreign father would rule the roost.

Executive Director of FWLD Sabin Shrestha said that eligible citizens had to fight 16 to 17 court battles to obtain citizenship and in that long process, they stood to lose the opportunity to obtain higher education. He said the government should sign UN conventions on Statelessness, 1954, and UN Convention on the Reduction of State-

lessness, 1961, to address the issues faced by stateless persons.

Shrestha said basic human rights of all people, including stateless people should be respected, but since Nepal had not signed the two UN Conventions adopted to address statelessness, many people who had not been able to obtain their citizenship were unable to enjoy even basic rights. "It is wrong on the part of government agencies to seek citizenship for providing COVID-19 vaccines," he added.

Shrestha said a district court refused to record the statement of a rape victim just because she did not carry her citizenship certificate. He said laws stipulate that a person can obtain citizenship on the basis of mother's nationality, but local governments seek the identity documents of applicant's father. Member of the National Human Rights Commission Lily Thapa said despite being a signatory to CEDAW, Nepal had not implemented 26 provisions of the convention. She said hundreds of thousands of children, mostly children of single mothers, had not been able to get their birth registration and this had increased the risk of statelessness.

On Thursday, Law, Justice and Human Rights Committee passed a resolution urging the government to either ensure passage of the citizenship bill soon or make alternative arrangements to ensure that eligible citizens obtain their citizenship and enjoy their constitutional rights. Before the lawmakers' panel, Shrestha had presented the UN Universal Periodic Review suggestions related to citizenship.



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