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### HRPLSC has constructed Peace Memorial in Banke district



**T**he Peace Memorial was built in the Tribeni chowk, just near to new Road Nepalgunj as an honor and remembering of those people who had lost their life in during the 10 years long arms conflict and people's movement during 2062/063 . Human Right Protection and Legal Service Center has constructed the Peace Memorial with the funding support of UN women and Search for Common Ground Nepal (SFCG) and joint collaboration of Local Peace Committee and Nepalgunj Municipality.

Actually, the Government of Nepal has declared the people as Martyr those who have either lost their life in Peoples movement in Nepal or in armed conflict or in Madhesh Movement. As a fact, the Government is failed to provide compensations to the family members of martyr family as per the assertion made earlier . On the other hand, the family members of the victims increase a sense of coldness towards the state for not disclosing the information about

the lost people. Besides, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission is not yet formed. There is a problem facing by people in terms of getting peace and cooperation due to ineffective implementation of the UN Security Council Resolutions 1325 and 1820, even though the Government of Nepal has already formulated the National Action Plan earlier.

After construction of Peace Memorial in the remembrance of the lost peoples during the long arm conflict period Madhesh Movement, peoples war movements and also for recall to disappeared peoples, the family members of victim somehow found some relief and took it as a good step and this has further supported for admiration. The family members can now come to the Peace Memorial once a year and remember their lost family members and get some peace in mind.

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In the Peace memorial, a total of 300 peoples names were carved who were either died or disappeared. Among the 300 persons. In which 236 peoples have lost their life, 57 were disappeared, 5 peoples lost life in Madheshi movement. Similarly, 2 lost peoples names were also carved those were lost in People movement during 2062/63. All these peoples were from Banke districts only. The Peace Memorial construction is designed as of 5 square fit width and 14 fit tall construction in which the flying pigeon was placed on the top of the round marble piece and around the Memorial, 15 fit place was covered with cemented wall, which looks very attractive.

Before construction of the Peace Memorial, HRPLSC has developed coordination with the local peace committee, political party members, civil society members, government organizations and organized dialogue programs with them and lastly finalized the decision of making Peace Memorial. As a result, Nepalgunj Municipality provided piece of land for construction of Memorial and Search for Common Ground (SFCG), an INGO operating in Nepal whose mission is to transform the way the world deals with conflict away from adversarial approaches toward cooperative solutions. The SFCG granted Rs. 2 lak which is a great support for the construction work.

The Peace Memorial was inaugurated by Mr. Jeevan Prasad Oli, the Chief District Officer of Banke and the program was chaired by Kamaruddin Rai, Coordinator of Local Peace Committee.



In the program Peace and reconstruction ministry sub secretary Ganga bahadur Kharel has chaired guest from the peace and reconstruction ministry.

The Peace Memorial which was built in the Banke district has provided the message of honor to the victim family and the victim family felt a kind of peace. This has created a kind of association and supported for social harmony at the local levels.



The work is remarkable in the sense that when the state is failed to provide the relief package to the conflict victim's family and HRPLSC including other organization has constructed the Peace Memorial for the purpose of remembrance for the lost one's for all time.

**-Bhola Mahat,**  
**Coordinator INSEC Nepalgunj**



We, the victim family are happy as Peace Memorial is constructed in Banke district. It is a way to remember our lost one and if it will constructed with wider coverage such as building like just sharing Sorrow Park, than it would be much better in other district.

**-Chandra Kala Upreti,**  
**Chair person, Conflict victim society for justice**



The construction of Peace Memorial jointly with Local Peace Committee and

HRPSLC is really remarkable work and this provides a positive message to all the people of Banke. This has honor the conflict victims. The work is done before the coordination and cooperation with family of victims, political parties, civil society, academic personality and government organizations and this created a sense of ownership at all levels. Its work which turned towards the peace from the conflict is really support for peace building and raised a kind enthusiasm among the conflict victims and this type of work is always taken as a positive and important for peace building process.

**-Prakash Upadhyaya**  
**Coordinator HimRights Nepalgunj.**



We are very happy that Peace Memorial is being constructed in Banke with the joint collaboration with Peace committee.

The work is done as the Nepal Government is failed to do so. We are unable to provide anything to the conflict victims but here the Peace Memorial is constructed for soothing the soul of conflict victims. The work is praised by all the Peace committee members, Conflict victims and concerned stakeholders. We are happy for that.

**-Kamaruddhin Rai, Present Coordinator at Local Peace committee Banke**



## Support to Promote local governance and accountability through CSC in Rapti Road Corridor

**H**RPLSC has practiced Community Score Card, as a tool for social accountability in the Road Corridor of Salyan and Rukum district. The program was implemented in the 15 VDCs of Road corridor of Salyan (10 VDCs) and Rukum districts ( 5 VDCs) for the purpose of raising transparency and accountability and increase the quality of services provided by VDCs offices. The program was funded by PRAN/CECI and World Bank and coordinated by DDC Rukum and Salyan at local level.

The project was first of its own kind which was implemented for the objective of increasing the quality of service of local Bodies through the creative practice of Community Score Cards (CSC) in 15 VDCs of Rukum and Salyan district adjoining of Rapti Road. For the preparation of the learning of such practice, both district as well as VDC level consultation meetings were organized participating by the concerned stakeholders. After completing the 15 VDCs level orientation program on Community Score Card, VDCs level consultation meetings were organized with VDC level service providers. In all these programs, the major focus was on the objective of CSC, its importance, steps and expected results.

In the preparation stage, the existing resources were documented, the service providers organized self evaluation matrix, the service receiver prepared score matrix and joint monitoring team were formed. A common understanding was developed among the service users and proverbs for regular and jointly monitoring and evaluation. Again all the steps CSC were repeated except input tackling matrix and analyses the progress in the joint action plan. After that the new and old indicators were compared as well to see the changes. Again both the service providers and service receivers sat together and prepared an action plan evaluation committee.

The marginalized community of the peoples received knowledge on the services that they get from the VDCs. The community peoples have also set important indicators by prioritizing from the services that they had been receiving from the VDCs. The service receivers are now conscious towards the rights of the citizens and this can be possible only after making the interface meetings between service providers and service receivers and making joint monitoring committee. After this, the commitments made by the VDC secretary were monitored which supported for effectiveness in the services provided at local levels and governance at the local levels has been increasing and supported

for increase transparency and responsibility of local levels.



HRPLSC has organized Community Score Card program for the effectiveness of local bodies' services which supported for the easy service in the VDCs. The service provided by VDC is easy access to the community peoples especially in providing social security allowance. It has also strengthened

the Governance and transparency. This type of program is important for future also.

**-Bharat Kumar Sharma**  
LDO Rukum



HRPLSC organized Community Score Card in the Road Corridor VDCs of Rukum and Salyan district which supported for strengthening Governance and responsiveness. It has measured on how the state mechanism is responsive towards the citizen. It has supported to make the VDC re-

sponsible towards the citizen. I have participated in the VDC level of programs, it would be better to replicate in other VDCs too.

**-Suresh Kumar Adhikari,**  
Program Officer, DDC Salyan



This program has a good impact and supported for transparency of VDCs. The community score card supported for making the work easy for service receivers by making transparent and strong. And the program has raised awareness to community people and make accountable to government local level mechanism .

**-Gokarna Pun ,**  
VDC office, Khalanga Rukum

## HRPLSC –Nepal has organized 11<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

**H**uman Right Protection and Legal Service Center (HRPLSC) organized its 11th General Assembly (GA) in 1st Kartik 2071 at Ghorahi Municipality of Dang District. A total of 55 members participated in the General Assembly. In the program, HRPLSC presented and discussed about the annual Progress of the year 2070/71 and also its financial transaction during the period. Further, it has also shared about its strategy and next years work plan.

In the general assembly the members were from Rolpa, Rukum, Salyan, Dang and Banke districts. The GA program was organized into 2 sessions; first as inauguration session and the second close sessions.

**Inauguration Session:** The program was inaugurated jointly by the Chief Guest and HRPLSC Senior advisor Nanada Bahadur Khatri and Advisor Khem Man Khadka and Thagendra Puri. They jointly lit the candle and inaugurated the program. The General members of HRPLSC, conflict victim women and representative of youth club participated in the program. Ms. Asha Swarnakar welcomed all the participants and program was chaired by President Lalit Buda Magar. The program is conducted by Secretary Kamal Gharti and the conflict women and other stakeholders have talk about the welfare of the organizations.



Top Bahadur Khadka, Executive Director of



HRPLSC has presented the progress of Organizations of year 2070, challenges

faced by the organization and the strategy that the organization will face near future. It was shared that HRPSLC has worked in the areas of human rights and governance with jointly coordination with the state agencies and tried to make the state accountable towards the roles and responsibilities. Mr. Khadka also shared about the construction of the Peace Memorial in Banke, Free classes organized for the conflict victim women, income generation programs for the conflict victim women in Rukum and Rolpa and finally he shared that HRPLSC has done a significant role in making the state accountable through its programs and making the civil society trengthen.

While greeting to the participants, Ms.



Gyanu BC a n d D H a n - maya Pun District Chair person of S i n g l e

women group of Banke said that it is also a respect for single women whose husband were lost lives in conflict and she added that HRPSLC is mother for single women as it has united us and strengthen us. She briefed that she wants to thanks HRPLSC for its remarkable works for creating an environment for respecting single women.

Another Guest Thagendra Puri focused his



remarks on that HPLSC believes that children of educated mother is always good and educated teachers students are also excellent. So,

HRPLSC is a model organization. He added that he is always ready to make the state accountable and the role of society should be shifted to income generation rather than only for right based approach and these works should be done by HRPLSC. He said that he thanks HRPLSC for this.

While addressing to the participants, Guest



and former DDC chairperson Khem Man Khadka said that this remarkable comment received by HRPLSC because it had done some

significant works in the past. But, as demanded by the people, it should work in the areas of rights and responsibility and should make the stakeholders responsible towards its duty, and this is an added task of HRPLSC. He wishes for the success of General Assembly.

Finally, HRPLSC chairperson Lalit Buda



Magar put his closing remarks of inauguration session and said that Organization always works and never dies, and he

assured that the members will review the last years progress and make strategic for the upcoming years. .



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**Closing session:** HRPLSC chairperson Lalit Buda Magar chaired the closing session of General Assembly and started the session by presenting Organization Progress Reports in which the members shared participatory. Similarly, Organization annual expenditures and incomes were also presented and shared as well. Further, it was also shared about the HRPLSC strategic Plan 2014 to 2016 was amended. It was also shared about making the organization localized. Finally, the guest and general members of closing session expressed their views and closed the sessions.

After discussion in the strategic plan of HRPLSC, the strategic plan 2012 to 2016 was approved by all the general assembly which supported for (a) **Human Right Protection and Promotion** (b) **Promotion of Local governance** (c) **Access to justice** (d) **Conflict Transformation and Peace building** (e) **Institutional Development**.

HRPLSC has decided to develop coordination with government agencies, youth clubs, single women, conflict victim single women, transportation businessman, marginalized group of peoples and media. Further, it was decided to localize the organization by registering in the working district. Thus, in the closing session,

## The exposure visit widen hope among single women

**H**uman Right Protection and Legal Service Center (HRPLSC) has organized 4 Days inter district exposure visit program was conducted (supported by European Union (EU) for the single women of Rukum and Rolpa district. The study and exposure visit program was organized from Asoj 31 to 3 Kartik in Rukum, Rolpa and Dang district. single women, exchange of sharing the knowledge on how the women have doing income generation programs in groups and how they have been doing leadership in the group.

The single women shared on the type of problems faced by the other single women and how they overcome from it. They also learnt that how they have been doing the social responsibility and economic responsibility.

The single women also learnt by the interaction with the Sahabagi Mahila Saving and Credit Cooperative and visited pig farming. These have created for learning and sharing environment among them.



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