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11th Year of the Doramba Massacre

Drag the perpetrators of crime against humanity into justice

Today is the tenth Anniversary of the Doromba massacre that shook the country on August 17, 2003 in which 19 innocent Nepalese were brutally killed at Doramba of Ramechhap district on the suspicion of Maoists.

Condemned by the national and international level, this incident was downright crime against humanity. The National Human Rights Commission had immediately formed a probe committee in coordination with the former Chief Justice of Supreme Court Krishna Jung Rayamajhi in order to have investigation on the incident. I would like to remind here that the truth about the incident was unearthed by the committee and made public. The Commission has already sent the recommendations to the Government of Nepal for the provision of relief, reparation and compensation to the victims and legal action against the perpetrators involved in this systematic killing. This is sheer injustice to the citizens that no perpetrators have been booked till date and nor have the victims been provided with appropriate compensation from the side of the State even after 11 years of incident of killing.

This apart, the incidents of Godar killing, Kotvada Killing of Kalikot, Muthvara killing of Doti are serious nature of crime against humanity which sponsored by the then State actor. Similarly, the Commission has recommended to the Government of Nepal for legal action against the perpetrators and relief, reparation and compensation to the victims upon conducting the investigation on the incidents of Madi killing of Chitwan and Bargdawa killing of Nawalparasi in which the then non-state party CPN (Maoists) was found involved in which hundreds of people were killed.

Though the Government of Nepal have recently provided relief, reparation and compensation to the victims of these incidents, no action is advanced to take legal



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action against the perpetrators involved in serious nature of human rights violations. This, indeed, is a regretful for those who believe in Rule of Law.

Despite the fact that all the consecutive Governments formed after the Comprehensive Peace Accord (CPA) have expressed their commitment to implement the NHRC recommendations in full, the process does not seem to advance in practical term to bring the perpetrators into justice. On the other hand, the lingering process of the formation of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) provisioned by the CPA has been the matter of heightened concern. It is the responsibility and duty of the Government of Nepal to effectively implement the NHRC recommendations sent upon conducting fair and independent investigation over the incidents of serious nature of human rights violations and crime against humanity of the conflict period.

The National Human Rights Commission once again calls on the Government of Nepal to effectively implement the recommendations, advice and orders for the respect, protection and promotion of human rights and also to end the ever stretching ill-culture of impunity in the country.

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