Observance of 67th IHRD for the Rights of Older Persons

Our Freedoms, Our Rights, Always, For All Age Groups.
i. Preparation
Ageing Nepal prepared the following materials for observance of 67th International Human Rights Day, 10th Dec, 2015.

a) Banner
The campaign activities were completed under the following main banner.

![Banner Image]

Our Rights. Our Freedoms, Always
FOR ALL AGE GROUPS
हाम्रो अधिकार, हाम्रो स्वतन्त्रता, सधैं सबै उमेरका लागि

b) Placard
The following placards in English and Nepali languages were developed and used in the rally of older people.

![Placard Image 1]

![Placard Image 2]
SDG - 2030 ALSO FOR ELDERLY

END POVERTY IN OLD AGE.

What is the government doing?
Elderly are dying of hunger

Stop Elder Abuse

Where is parents’ share on Children’s income?
Free Health Service is the rights of elderly.

c) **Petition**

The team prepared a petition to handover the concerned authority of National Human Rights Commission. The petition demands better protection for the rights of older persons.
ii. **Activities Completed**

The following activities were completed to mark the International Human Rights Day 2015 with focus on the rights of older persons.

1) **TV Talk Show**

Hon'ble Deputy Prime Minister responsible for Women Children & Social Welfare Ministry, Mr. C.P. Mainali, was invited for a 45 minutes TV Talk Show in Sagarmatha TV on 7th Dec. where he publicly expressed commitment to:

a) Add geriatric wards in more number of government hospitals

b) Implement programs for improving the condition of old age home across the country

Find the link of the programme: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NTdk5jTmntE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NTdk5jTmntE). It is estimated that the Sagarmatha TV has 2 million regular viewers.

2) **Radio Talk Show**

Former Member of National Human Rights Commission, Mr. Ram Nagina Singh was invited for a 30 minutes “Budhayuli Jeevan” (Old Age) radio program where he expressed his views on the rights of older persons in Nepal and the role of National Human Rights Commission. The talks was aired through Sagarmatha FM Radio 102.4 MHz on 10th Dec. Mr. Singh said “Older persons related policies should be amended and strictly implemented to ensure a civilized society.”

Budhayuli Jeevan is weekly Radio Programme run by Ageing Nepal of senior citizens. It is estimated that the Sagarmatha FM Radio has about 2 million regular listeners.

3) **Petition Handed Over**

The team handed over a petition to Deputy Director of National Human Rights Commission, Mr. Yagya Prasad Adhikari on 67th International Human Rights Day.

![Photo of Mr. Prakash Gautam handing over petition](image-url)
4) Rally
The team organized Older People’s Rally in collaboration with Asta Bhuj Samaj in Kapan, Kathmandu. About 80 older people participated in the rally. The team also provided a copy of “Jyestha Nagarik” (bi-monthly magazine in Nepali Language on Ageing) to the participants. Some glimpses of the rally:
5) Article Published

An article entitled “Senior Citizens and Human Rights” by Mr. Ajay Gurung, Research Coordinator of Ageing Nepal, was published on 11th December in The Himalaya Times Nepali National Daily. Mr. Gurung has highlighted the rights of older people in the context of International Human Rights Day in his article. It is estimated that the newspaper has 50,000 regular readers.
6) Participated in the Workshop
Ageing Nepal team participated in the workshop organized by Ministry of Women, Children and Social Welfare in collaboration with National Senior Citizens Federation Nepal and HelpAge International Nepal on 11th Dec. About 30 participants including representatives of different Government authorities and NGOs working for the senior citizens. Glimpses of the workshop: