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Human Rights Situation Update

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Nepali's Desire to Draft Constitution Being Materialized

The Constituent Assembly (CA) has individually endorsed all articles of the draft constitution, ensuring the promulgation of the new constitution on September 20. President will announce the new constitution amid a forma event at 5 pm on September 20. CA Secretariat said that some copies of the new constitution will be published where the lawmakers would put their signatures on September 18 in their alphabetic order. CA Chairperson Subash Nembang will then validate the constitution. This is the first time in 65 years that a constitution will be promulgated by elected representatives of people through Constituent Assembly.

Highlights

- INSEC has urged the government to take action against the culprits by conducting necessary investigation into the Bethari incident and make proper arrangements for protection of life and property and freedom of civilians. Issuing a press statement on September 16, INSEC concluded that locals who had no concern with the protest were victimized in this incident.
- All the people killed in the Bethari incident are found to be civilians. A meeting of District Security Committee (DSC) held on September 16 concluded that those dying and getting injured at Bethari on September 15 were those coming for shopping. Armed Police Force opened fire after the vehicles they were escorting were attacked. Four people including a 4-year-old boy and a 14-year-old girl were killed in police firing. Among them, the boy was shot at his home while Lakaul was shot when he was in his shop.
- Police have filed a public offence case against Tarai Madhes Democratic Party (TMDP) General Secretary Jitendra Sonal and the party's Bara district chairman Nawal Kishor Singh on September 16.
- Four youths holding hunger strike until death have ended their strike on September 16 after the government pledged to meet their over half of their demands. Kamal Prasad Joshi, Premnidhi Bhardwaj, Sagar Katuwal and Khemnath Acharya ended their strike at Khula Manch, Tundikhel after government said it was ready to meeting seven of their nine demands. They were on strike since July 30, pro-Hindu dialogue team member Rubaynath Koirala.

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