



## श्रम सन्देश



NTUC TECHNICAL ORIENTATION ON DATA BASE CONCLUDED

### NTUC PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

#### Organization expansion workshop concluded at Parsa

January 9, 2017, Birjung  
Nepal Trade Union Congress concluded Organization expansion program at Parsa, Nepal. The Program was addressed by Nepal Trade Union Congress representatives of Central Office. Also, Trade Union Members of Parsa and affiliates were also took part in the program.



### UNION STATISTICS

Name: Agriculture workers union of Nepal (AWUN)  
Establishment: 1998  
Membership as of : 24979  
Male: 14988  
Female: 9991  
District Committees: 60  
Area of work: All sectors related to agricultural labour and their rights and justice.  
NTUC Affiliation: AWUN  
GUF affiliation: Under process with International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco, and Allied Workers' Associations (IUF)  
Major issues: Social Transformation, Labor, Employment, Poverty Reduction, Social Justice, Youth Mobilization, Gender Equality and Child Rights

### IMF delegation meets NTUC President



18 Jan 2017, Kathmandu

A very important and informative meeting took place on 18 Jan 2017 at NTUC central office between NTUC president Mr. Khila Nath Dahal and IMF mission chief for Nepal Mr. Gerard Almekinders. Its overall objectives are to highlight possible risks, financial stability and advise on an appropriate policy adjustments. Every year IMF sends a group of officials, also called 'Staff Mission' to the member country to gather financial and monetary data and will have bilateral discussions with officials, private sector and members of civil society. These usually include government officials, policy makers and representatives of business, labor and private-sector economists and analysts.



## MIGRATION NEWS

### 20 Nepali migrant workers languishing in Indian jail



January 10, 2017, Kanchanpur

More than 20 Nepali migrant workers from Kanchanpur have been languishing in an Indian jail in Himachal Pradesh for the past seven months. The workers with the Special Hydro Power Patel Company were sent to jail by the company administration on charges of affiliation with the labourers' union. The 20 unfortunate Nepali migrant workers include Nain Singh Saud, Bahadur Singh Bhandari, Nar Bahadur Saud, Rana Bahadur Saud, Tula Saud, Nare Saud, Tikendra Saud, Jaidev Dhungal, Ramesh Saud, Ganesh Chand, Gopal Saud and Bhim Saud among others. Karna Bahadur Saud,

who returned after meeting his relative at the Indian jail, said they were incarcerated for attempting to hold a strike with demand for a hike in salary.

Source: RSS

### Ilam resident dies in Malaysia

Jan 12, 2017, Ilam.

A local resident of Ilam who had reached Malaysia for employment has died there. Benup Mukhiya, 37, a resident of Maipokhari-6 died during sleep, according to his colleague in Malaysia Buddhiman Rai. The incident took place on Monday. Mukhiya had gone to Malaysia for work three years ago. He was presently working for the Port Kelang Company of Malaysia. Efforts are being made to bring back his body to Nepal, the family said. Source: Karobar daily



### Nepalese will now have to get permit even to go work in India

January 24, 2017, Kathmandu.



Nepali nationals will now have to receive government permit to go to India for work. Hundreds of thousands of Nepalese are believed to be working in India, with whom Nepal shares an open border. According to the Nepal-India Friendship Treaty, Nepalese have the right to work and own property in India. Prime Minister Prachanda made the announcement at a program in the capital on Tuesday. He said that Nepalese going to India shall receive an insurance cover of Rs 1.2 million. He said that if a Nepali national dies while working in India, the government will provide an additional Rs 150,000 to the kin of the deceased. According to the new regulations, which

will be implemented within a month, Nepalese who want to go to India for work will have to receive permits from the District Administration Office of the district of their domicile or the DAO from the border area.



## AFFILIATES UNION

### CENTRAL JOINT RESISTANCE COMMITTEE RELATED TO HOTEL TOURISM

## CALL FOR STRIKE

January 19, 2017, Kathmandu.

On the joint coordination of NIHWU, ANHCRWU and NTHCRWU related Hotel Tourism, the joint central resistant committee call for strike. The issue to provide 100% of service charge to the worker that is charged 10% in every customer service. Also, decent work in the sector and effective workers protection were the main theme of the campaign. They also warned that the protest program will start as soon as possible and also retorted that the concerned party will be responsible for the strike.



## Barber Union of Nepal held First Regional Conference



January 11, 2017, Kanchanpur.

Barber Union of Nepal held first Regional Conference at Kanchanpur, Nepal. President of Nepal Trade Union Mr. Khila Nath Dahal was chief guest and President of Barber Union of Nepal Mr. Rajaram Thakur was the Chairman of the program, Co-Treasurer of NTUC Mr. Janardan Niraula was the special guest. Various cultural groups orchestrate the dance and portrayed ethnic dress. Introduction, function, agendas, objectives, cases related to Barbers were explained in the meantime. President detailed NTUC role in the securing of workers rights and their cases. The program basically united the Barber from most part of the country and assure to organize towards the rights and roles of NTUC.

## Kantipur Publication Workers Union Protest addressed by NTUC

January 3, 2017, Kathmandu



On the joint Coordination of Nepal Trade Union Congress and Kantipur Publication Workers Union, the meeting regarding Fair wage and social security held here at NTUC Anamnagar, Kathmandu. The program was addressed by NTUC president Khila Nath Dahal, Vice President Ganesh Prasad Niraula, CCM Khagendra Khatri, General Secretary of Nepal Printing Press Arjun Pathak and so on. The meeting was focused in the long-term ongoing protest of Kantipur publication reporter. They placed various issues such as fair wage, decent work, social security that was excluded by the publication.

They also urge to take an action towards the institution to secure the workers right.



## NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### Attacks on unions continue as Turkish government bans strikes

January 20, 2017, Istanbul.

In the course of a couple of days, the government of Turkey has imposed decrees citing threats against national security, effectively banning thousands of workers from their legitimate right to strike. According to current legislation, the decree is followed by a 60-day "postponement period" for negotiations, where the parties have to agree. In practice this means that there is no chance to continue the strike after the 60-day period.



### C002 - Unemployment Convention, 1919 (No. 2)

This is the 2nd convention adopted by ILO in 1919 (No. 2) which was adopted on Oct 29, 1919 at Washington-USA and got into application July 14, 1921. This convention was particularly focuses on the "providing unemployment benefits.

This Convention ensures for a established systems of insurance against unemployment shall, upon terms being agreed between the Members concerned, make arrangements whereby workers belonging to one Member and working in the territory of another shall be admitted to the same rates of benefit of such insurance as those which obtain for the workers belonging to the latter.

Till date the convention no C002 was ratified by 57 member countries and this convention were gone into force from 14 July 1921. Out of 57 members' country India, Bulgaria Uruguay has denounced. This convention has 11 articles where the convention explains its purpose and application to make unemployment benefits. There are so many exceptions in the provisions but primarily the convention's objective is to protect workers from being unemployed. Sadly Nepal has not ratified this convention till date.

### Mexican unions continue fighting against rising petrol prices

January 23, 2017, Mineros.

IndustriALL affiliates in Mexico are protesting against rising petrol prices, announced on 1 January.

Action started the following day around the country, and unions say they will continue until the government backtracks. Demonstrators have blocked roads, set fire to service stations, held marches and occupied business premises. Further action is planned and there is a call for president Peña Nieto to stand down. Democratic unions, including IndustriALL Global Union affiliates the National Tyre Workers' Union (SNTGTM), the Electrical Workers' Union (SME) and Los Mineros (SNTMMSRM) have been participating in the protests.



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