



## श्रम सन्देश



**NTUC Rally program concluded on the International Labour Day**

## UNION STATISTICS

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Name: Nepal Teacher Association (NTA)

Establishment: May 13, 1990

Membership as of : 76,437

Male: 38217

Female: 38219

District Committees: 75

Area of work: Trade Union, Education, Teacher

NTUC Affiliation: Since establishment (1990)

GUF affiliation: Education International, Japanese

Teacher Association, Danish Teacher Association

Major issues: To promote and secure the rights of republican, teacher and trade union. Respect teacher profession and enhance capacity development by engaging them in various activities.

## NTUC PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

### International Workers' Memorial Day and Inaugural of Photo Gallery Exhibition Jointly organized

April 28, 2017, Kathmandu.

On the Occasion of International OSH day, Nepal Trade Union Congress Youth Committee organized photo exhibition in order to raise awareness in the Occupational Health and Safety. The program was inaugurated by energetic and charismatic Nepali Congress young leader and incumbent Health Minister Mr. Gagan Kumar Thapa.

The program was chaired by NTUC President Mr. Khila Nath Dahal, Chief Guest Mr. Gagan Kumar Thapa (Health Minister), Special Guest Mr. Richard Howard (Director of ILO Nepal), Andrea Keikens (General Secretary of WSM from Belgium). Other attendees in the program was the representatives of NTUC Mr. Ramjee Kunwar (Senior Vice-President), Mr. Ganesh Prasad Niraula (Vice-President), Mr. Ayodhya Yadav (Vice-President), Mr. Mahendra Prasad Yadav (General Secretary), Mr. Yogendra Kunwar (Treasurer), Ms. Rama Poudel (Women Vice-President), Mr. Ganesh Bahabur K.C (President of FIEUN), Ms. Sudha Dahal (President of NTUC Women Committee), Ms. Bhagwati Khadka Thapa (President of NBU) along with the central members and members of Nepal Trade Union Congress were presented in the program.



## MIGRATION NEWS

### Nepalese in foreign jails to get legal assistance



Kathmandu, April 5

The government has released Rs 5.5 million to Nepali embassies in six labour receiving countries to provide free legal aid to Nepali migrant workers serving jail terms there. Executive Director at Foreign Employment Promotion Board, Raghuraj Kafle, said one million rupees each has been sent to Nepali embassies in Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Kuwait.

Likewise, the government has released Rs 500,000 for Oman. He said additional budget would be sent to the embassies as per necessity. The board has prepared a draft of the guideline relating to legal aid for Nepali migrant workers and sent it to the Ministry of Labour and Employment. The board is also preparing to send budget for the purpose to Nepali embassies in other foreign countries.

According to the board, hundreds of Nepali workers are doing time in foreign jails and millions of rupees would be required to provide them with free legal aid. A number of Nepalese doing time in foreign jails were caught due to language problem and the free legal aid is expected to benefit them, said a board employee. Legal practitioners of respective foreign countries will be hired to plead on behalf of Nepali migrants working there. They will be paid by the Nepali embassies there. There are a total of 231 Nepalese, including 12 women, languishing in jails of different labour receiving countries, excluding India, according to the Office of Prime Minister Office and Council of Ministers. Source: The Himalayan times

### 18 Nepali migrants rescued from Malaysia



April, 20, 2017

A total of 18 Nepali migrants languishing in a camp in Malaysia on charge of various crimes have been rescued and brought back to Nepal, according to Prime Minister's Secretariat. As part of the government's priority to provide relief and launch migrant workers rescue operation, the rescue took place yesterday at the direction of Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachandra' and at the initiative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, said the Secretariat.

The rescued migrants had been kept in Bukit Jalil Camp on charges of various crimes including murder. After being informed of the situation of the migrants, PM Dahal had summoned concerned authorities of the government and directed them to rescue them. The government had managed air tickets to Nepal for the rescued migrants. Source: News NRN



## AFFILIATES UNION

### NTUC-JILAF Non Formal School Management Meeting Concluded



April 13, 2017, Kathmandu.

On the joint Coordination of Nepal Trade Union Congress and JILAF, Non Formal School Management meeting concluded here at Nepal Trade Union Congress, Anamnagar,, Kathmandu.

The one day meeting which lasted for 5 hours was chaired by Nepal Trade Union Congress Vice-President Mr. Ganesh Prasad Niraula. The Chief Guest of the Program was General Secretary of JILAF Mr. Riyo Saito. The program was facilitated by NTUC affiliated transport Union's General Secretary Mr. Dharma Bhandary. Finally, there was the discussion among 9 district at which the program is going to elongate for the fiscal year 2017-2020. From Morang Mr. Dik Ghimire, Bara Mr. Madhav Upadhyay, Palpa Mr. Rama Panta, Rupandehi Mr. Kajiman

Shrestha, Nawalparasi Ms. Bimala Chaudhary, Kaski Ms. Kuldei Baral, Kailali Mr. Ram Bahadur Deuba, Bhaktapur Ms. Tulasa Khanal and Parsa Mr. Chotelal Prasad were the representatives who presented the scenario of present and past about the plans and policy of their respective district. They also tabled the progress report and information of the school and students. NTUC Vice-President Mr. Ayodhya Prasad Yadav gave the closing remarks. He gave example of the importance about the education and cited from the video that was showed by Parsa group: the video was about the socially excluded and disadvantaged group.

### NTUC representatives and IndustriALL delegates discussion held at NTUC central Office



April 20, 2017, Kathmandu.

The Discussion between Nepal Trade Union Congress representatives and delegates of IndustriALL successfully held at Nepal Trade Union Congress Central Office Anamnagar, Kathmandu. NTUC President Mr. Khila Nath Dahal, Vice-President Mr. Ganesh Prasad Niraula, President of Nepal Factory Workers Union Mr. Dharendra Singh,

President of Nepal Embroidery, Handicraft, Sewing and Knitting Workers Union Mr. Tej Prasad Rijal and General Secretary of Nepal Garment Workers Union Mr. Indra Raj Kandel were the representatives from Nepal Trade Union Congress whereas, Ms. Armelle Seby who looks after the gender issues of IndustriALL and Mr. Prabin Rao who is the Project Coordinator of IndustriALL South Asia Region were the delegates from IndustriALL.



## NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### INDIA: BWI Affiliates petition Indian Government for listing of Chrysotile Asbestos in the PIC List



The issue of Chrysotile Asbestos is currently being discussed at the Conference of Parties to the Rotterdam Convention in Geneva. In the past, countries with vested interests – in particular large asbestos producers – have blocked its listing on grounds of unanimity. BWI affiliates in India have strongly petitioned the Indian Government to support the listing of Chrysotile Asbestos in the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) Procedure for Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. On top of this, BWI affiliates in India have written to the Indian Government to support the proposal submitted by several African nations for a new procedure that addresses the current impasse. According to that proposal, in the absence of a consensus amongst all parties, a substance could be listed if a super-majority (i.e. 75%) of the Parties voting supported that action.

### May Day: Unions must be at the heart of fight for decent working conditions and quality media, says IFJ

April 27, 2017.

Pointing to global research that workers covered by union agreements enjoy, on average, higher wages, better conditions and improved health, safety and welfare rights the IFJ has



backed journalists organizations building stronger, more representative unions. Journalism is increasingly precarious and the challenges resulting from growing concentration of media ownership and corrupt and dictatorial governments put freedom of speech and ethical

of the struggle to uphold strong ethical standards and decent working conditions - which go hand in hand - through comprehensive collective agreements covering journalists across the globe.

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