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Civil Society Section

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

Sub: Exert diplomatic pressure on government of Nepal to respond to the hunger strike of the Adhikaris.

Dear sir/Mam:

Democratic NGO Federation Nepal (FEDEN), is an umbrella organization of 5000 NGOs of Nepal actively working on promotion of human rights and social development.

FEDEN is writing this appeal to you regarding the case of (late) Krishna Prasad Adhikari. We are closely following the case since the beginning and putting pressure on national human rights mechanisms and the government of Nepal to take action to address the righteous demand of parents of deceased.

A brief of the case

Krishna Prasad Adhikari, a native of fujel VDC in Gorkha was kidnapped from Bakullahar Chowk of Ratnanagar Municipality and killed by Maoist cadres on June 6, 2004 while he was going to meet his grandparents in Chitwan. Since the death of their son, parents (Mr. Nanda Prasad Adhikari and Mrs. Ganga Maya Adhikari) of late Krishna Prasad Adhikari has been struggling for justice. They filed a case at various places from local police stations to the Office of the Prime Minister at Singhadurbar. However no concrete action has been taken to investigate this case.

Parents of Krishna Prasad Adhikari, Father Nanda Prasad Adhikari and Mother Ganga Maya Adhikari have been staging hunger strike in front of the Prime Minister’s residence demanding justice since 22nd July 2013. The Government of Nepal made a promise to investigate the case and admitted the couple to Bir Hospital where they have been receiving treatment but the couple has not ended their hunger strike. Unfortunately the government so far has not taken any action to investigate the case.

The doctors of the Hospital have already stated that health of Adhikari Couple is continuously deteriorating and their life is under imminent danger. FEDEN Felt that adequate efforts are not been made by Nepal Government to save lives of the couple.

Appeal

We sincerely appeal you to come forward in this case and take all necessary action to ensure that the government fulfills its promise as well as legal duty by carrying out a prompt and independent investigation and a fair judicial trial in line with national and international legal standards. Further, government should provide proper care and protection to Adhikari couple and also provide compensation along with detail investigation for wrongfully putting them in mental hospital.

We look forward to see your prompt action and are ready to provide any kind of field assistance, if required,