

Nepal Christian Society drew attentions to the government: Announcing Christians to stay firm and fearless with the present situation.

According to a Nepali Christian site, a section of the new law reads: No one should involve or encourage in conversion of religion.

No one should convert a person from one religion to another religion or profess them own religion and belief with similar intention by using or not using any means of attraction and by disturbing religion or belief of any ethnic groups or community that being practiced since ancient times.

If found guilty; there will be punishment of five years of imprisonment and penalty of fifty thousand rupees (approximately \$500 USD). If foreigners are found guilty; they will have to be deported within seven days after completing the imprisonment in third clause.*

The amended criminal sanctions come a decade after the longtime Hindu monarchy declared itself a secular state, and two years after it adopted a new constitution.

Some of the Hindu extremists groups are planning to restore the Hindu nation in Nepal. Though Nepal became secular in 2006. (source from the local newspaper)

After coming this issues again and again and others false accusation recently the delegation team from Nepal Christian Society met the Deputy President Nanda Bahadur Pun, House of Speaker Krishna Bahadur Mahara, Home Minister Ram Bahadur Thapa, Law and Justice Minister Sher

Bahadur Tamang and submitted letter to draw the attention . The delegates visited the high officials to demand the practice and exercise religious activities by Christians and others in the secular nation. In the leadership of the Vice Chairman of Nepal Christian Society, Kuber Gurung accompanied by Dilli Ram Poudel (General Secretary), Mukunda Sharma (Secretary),



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The delegates drew the serious attention home Minister Thapa about the false report on David Tamang and accused of shooting the Hindu religious leader. Police found pamphlets bearing the name of Mangol Organisation from the incident site and named the person was David Tamang. But later after the investigation, the report came to know that it was planned by some groups and was false report to blame Christian. Hindu spiritual leader who was undergoing treatment was discharged. Acharya is one of the Hindu leaders agitating against the government decision to make the country secular.

The delegates demanded to the government of Nepal, to bring in custody as soon as possible to such reporters spreading rumours proving Criminals to Christians, intentionally violating religions. This issue was also drawn attention to the government of Nepal. Home Minister Thapa assured and requested to all the Christians in Nepal to stay firm and not to be afraid with these false accusations.



Along with Thapa, the law and Justice Minister Sher Bahadur Tamang also committed to taking the serious note of all these issues and inequality to be improvised according to the law. He also told the Christians in Nepal that it is not necessary to scare because of the law. He determined to improvise simultaneously wherever needed. Deputy President Nanda Bahadur Pun received the submitted agendas by the delegates and promised to cooperate despite not being in the executive role. House of Speaker Krishna Bahadur Mahara strongly assured to take the submitted agendas to the government issued by the delegates in favour of minority's rights. The Vice Chairman of Nepal Christian Society, Kuber Gurung stated that the high officials of the state positively responded the issues of Christians is good news. He told that the demands continually keep submitting and won't be stopped if there will be no favour to Christians in coming days.

At last, the HEF Nepal would like to give thanks and also very thankful to Kuber Gurung for taking this great initiative role to meet different government officials to put these agendas which were a good step to advocate on this serious issues in present time in Nepal. In overall the meeting was so fruitful and hope there will be some positive step and response will come from the government in the future. We humbly request to you all to join with us in prayer so that the evil power will not be succeed in front of divine power. ***“You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. “ 1 John 4:4***

Thanks