



Oppose Impunity, Uphold Human Dignity

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Press Release

We welcome the formal functioning of the International Criminal Court (ICC) from July 2, 2002.

The court that holds jurisdiction over mass genocide, war crime, crime against humanity and aggression can also investigate the individual crimes. This court will be active to end impunity and stop crimes committed on the basis of state authority and political power.

It is important to ratify ICC to strengthen human rights situation by ending impunity existing in Nepal, punish the criminals of the above mentioned crimes and prevent such crimes in the future. Keeping this in mind, INSEC has been conducting different programmes by coordinating National Coalition for the court. Ministers and leaders of different political parties, expressing positive view with the members of Coalition for International Criminal Court who visited Nepal on May 12, were of the view that the government of Nepal should ratify the ICC.

We once again thank ICC for beginning its work and appeal the government of Nepal to ratify the Rome Statute.

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