

About HRTMCC

Human Rights Treaty Monitoring Coordination Committee (HRTMCC) is a coalition of human rights organizations established to monitor implementation of the international human rights treaties ratified by Nepal. Currently, it has 51 members working in almost all areas of human rights, including civil and political rights; economic, social and cultural rights; rights of women; rights of children; dalit rights; rights of migrants, and the rights of persons with disabilities.

HRTMCC was established in 2003 to build stronger human rights forum for all major human rights NGOs in Nepal and to create a human rights network to address the situation collectively towards making the state accountable to its international human rights obligations.

Since its inception, HRTMCC, under the motto of "Human Rights Treaty Monitoring through an Alliance of Human Rights NGOs", coordinates monitoring and dissemination of information on the status of state obligations to UN human rights treaties nationally and internationally in the form of alternative reports as well as other publications.

HRTMCC is also active in domestic lobbying for the protection and promotion of human rights, dissemination of authentic and credible account of human rights laws and dissemination of concluding recommendations of the treaty bodies. In addition, the coalition is also campaigning for the ratification, domestication and enforcement of international human rights instruments.

Vision

HRTMCC is committed to function as a democratic alliance of all major human rights organizations of Nepal to protect and promote human rights with collective efforts from the civil society organizations and state institutions.

Mission

HRTMCC, as a joint forum for all major human rights NGOs, undertakes joint initiatives for the implementation of international obligations of the state through alternative reports, fact findings, treaty ratification and enforcement campaigns.

Goal and Objectives

- ▶ To prepare alternative and shadow reports for the UN Human Rights Treaty Committees.
- ▶ To function as a joint forum for all major HR NGOs in Nepal by coordinating human rights monitoring and disseminating human rights information nationally and internationally.
- ▶ To produce and disseminate authentic and reliable documentation on human rights situation of Nepal.
- ▶ To further strengthen cooperation between Nepalese HR NGOs by issuing joint statements, recommendations for joint actions and developing common

lobbying strategies.

- ▶ To pressurize the government to fulfil its reporting obligations including implementation of the concluding observations sent by the UN Committees in the involvement of civil society organizations.

Strategic approaches

HRTMCC's strategic approaches involve:

Alliance Building

Alliance building lies at the heart of the HRTMCC strategy. The foundation of HRTMCC was a response to the need for an alliance of human rights organizations to engage collectively in the work of treaty monitoring and reporting. Working through an alliance helps avoid duplication in work, corrects deficiencies in breadth of representation and establishes a common voice of truth as there are no variations in opinions and analysis from the same community. Being an alliance in itself, HRTMCC works closely with other national and international alliances and networks.

Advocacy

The work of HRTMCC focuses on advocacy at local, national and international levels on the implementation of international obligation of the state. It has built a strong mechanism for local and national level advocacy by engaging both members and non-member organizations, such as media and lawyers groups.

Shadow Reporting

Shadow reporting is the main focus of the HRTMCC activities, as well as its institutional identity. All its approaches and activities ultimately feed into alternative report preparation and submission to the concerned UN treaty committees. The shadow reports and the response they generate at the international level are used as a tool to pressurize the government for initiating measures necessary for the protection and promotion of human rights of the people within its jurisdiction.

Capacity Building

HRTMCC also gives emphasis on the capacity building of NGO activists, particularly of those aligned to the HRTMCC. Capacity building initiatives aim to enhance skills in the areas of fact findings, documentation, reporting, and lobbying and advocacy.

Structure of HRTMCC

HRTMCC is a body consisting General Assembly, Advisory Committee, Executive Committee, Member Organizations and the Secretariat.

General Assembly

The General Assembly (GA) is the highest policy-making body comprising all the members of HRTMCC, Advisory Committee and the Secretariat. The GA meets once in a year to evaluate the work and actions of HRTMCC and formulates new ideas/visions for HRTMCC.

Advisory Committee

The Advisory Committee (AC) comprises members representing different sectors such as political parties, law, journalism, dalit, indigenous and women groups. The AC functions as a reviewing body and consists of a group of experts to contribute for the improvement in the quality of the reports before submitting it to the United Nations and is also mandated to advise and enter into dialogue and offer feedback on the work of the committee.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee (EC) comprises eight members including the Secretariat and Seven Sub-committee Coordinators nominated by the GA. The EC is responsible for the implementation of plans and policies recommended by GA. The EC is mandated to develop projects, policies and guidelines for the functioning of the HRTMCC.

Secretariat

Secretariat is responsible to coordinate overall implementation of the projects, plans and policies of the HRTMCC. INSEC has been hosting the secretariat of HRTMCC since its inception in 2003.

Sub-committees

Under the HRTMCC, seven sub-committees pertinent with the seven core human rights treaties coordinate all member organizations for the treaty monitoring purpose. The coordinators are nominated by the GA and are responsible to coordinate for the monitoring and implementation of treaties under their mandates. At present, the CEDAW sub-committee is coordinated by FWLD; ICCPR sub-committee by INHURED International; ICESCR sub-committee by RRN; CRC sub-committee by Child Nepal; CERD sub-committee by DNF; CAT sub-committee by CVICT and CMW sub-committee by WOREC.

Members

HRTMCC comprises 51 national level leading human rights organizations working for the protection and promotion of human rights in the country. HRTMCC members are presently divided into seven sub-committees formed to work around seven core human rights treaties. Members are responsible to contribute sub-committees and secretariat to implement the plans and policies of the HRTMCC.



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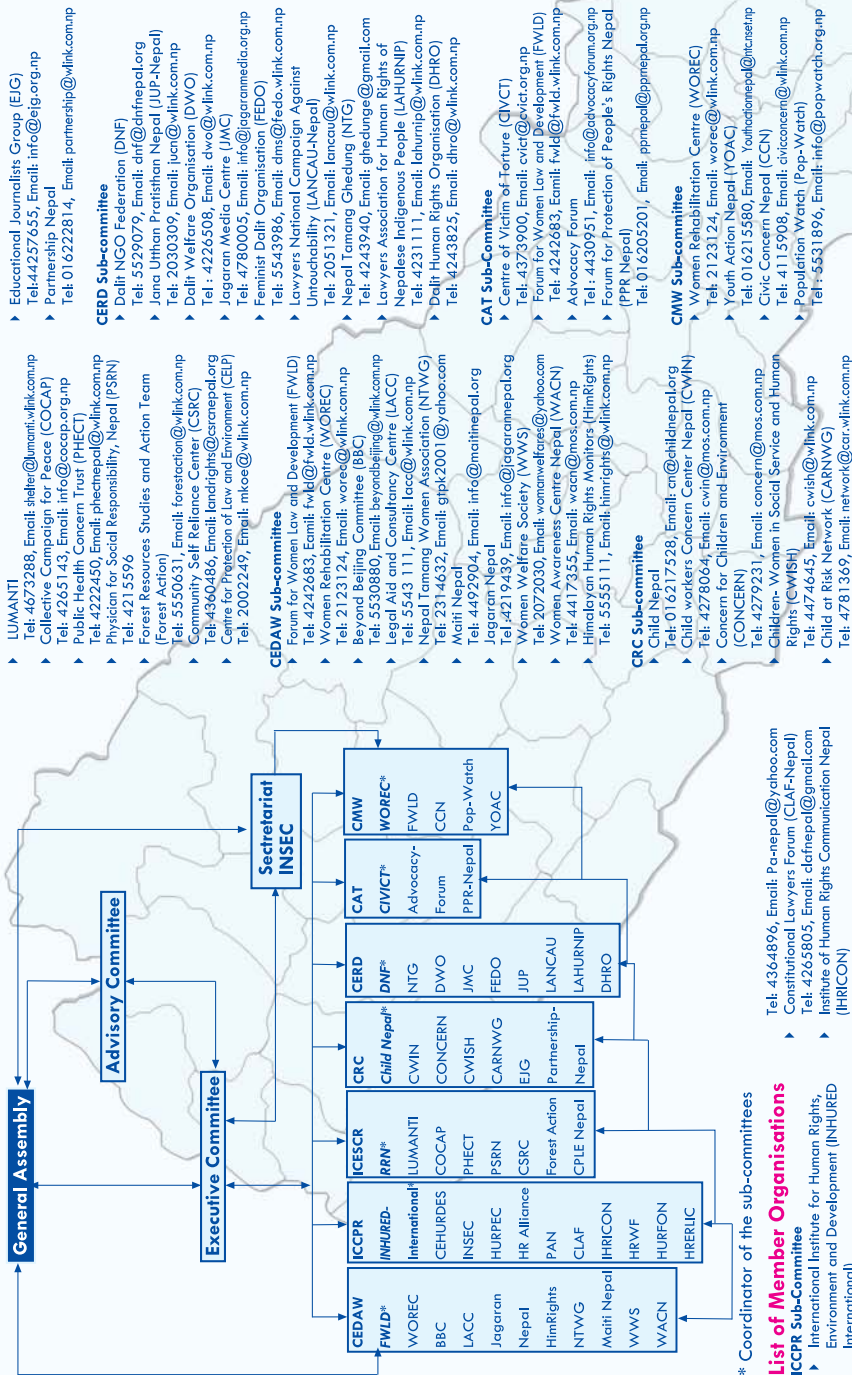


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List of Member Organisations

- ICPCR Sub-Committee**
- International Institute for Human Rights, Environment and Development (INHURED International)
 - Tel: 5520054, Email: inhured@ntc.net.np
- Informal Sector Service Centre (INSEC)**
- Tel: 4278770, Email: insec@insec.org.np
- Centre for Human Rights and Democratic Studies (CEHURDES)**
- Tel: 4780809, Email: cehurdes@mos.com.np
- Human Rights and Public Service Center Nepal (HURPEC)**
- Tel: 4434175, Email: hupsc@wlink.com.np
- Human Rights Alliance Nepal**
- Tel: 4264192, Email: alliance@vianer.com.np
- Prisoners Assistance Nepal (PAN)**
- Tel: 4422153, Email: rrm@rrm.org.np
- CESCR Sub-Committee**
- Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN)
 - Tel: 4422153, Email: rrm@rrm.org.np
- ICPCR:** INHURED-International, CEHURDES, INSEC, HURPEC, HR Alliance, PAN, CLAF
- ICESCR:** RRN*, LUMANTI, COCAP, PHECT, PSRN, Forest Action, CPLE Nepal
- CRC:** Child Nepal^h, CWIN, CONCERN, CWISH, CARNWG, EIG, Partnership-Nepal, LAHURNIP
- CERD:** DNF^h, NTG, DWO, JMC, FEDO, JUP, LANCAU, LAHURNIP, DHRO
- CAT:** CIVIC^h, Advocacy-Forum, PPR-Nepal
- CMW:** WOREC*, FOWLD, CCN, Pop-Watch, YOAC
- WOREC:** WWS, WACN
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 - Collective Campaign for Peace (COCAP)
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 - Public Health Concern Trust (PHECT)
 - Tel: 4222450, Email: phecnepal@wlink.com.np
 - Physician for Social Responsibility, Nepal (PSRN)
 - Tel: 4215596
 - Forest Resources Studies and Action Team (Forest Action)
 - Tel: 5550631, Email: forestaction@wlink.com.np
 - Community Self Reliance Center (CSRC)
 - Tel: 4360486, Email: landrights@srcenter.org
 - Centre for Protection of Law and Environment (CEPL)
 - Tel: 2002249, Email: mkose@wlink.com.np
- CEDAW Sub-Committee**
- Forum for Women Law and Development (FWLD)
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 - Women Rehabilitation Centre (WOREC)
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 - Tel: 5530880, Email: beyondbeijing@wlink.com.np
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 - Nepal Tamang Women Association (NTWG)
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 - Maithi Nepal
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 - Jagaran Nepal
 - Tel: 4219439, Email: info@jagarannepal.org
 - Women Welfare Society (WWS)
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 - Women Awareness Centre Nepal (WACN)
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 - Himalayan Human Rights Monitors (HimRights)
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- CRC Sub-Committee**
- Child Nepal
 - Tel: 01621528, Email: cn@childnepal.org
 - Child workers Concern Center, Nepal (CWIN)
 - Tel: 4278064, Email: cwini@mos.com.np
 - Concern for Children and Environment (CONCERN)
 - Tel: 4279231, Email: concern@mos.com.np
 - Children- Women in Social Service and Human Rights (CWISH)
 - Tel: 4474645, Email: cwish@wlink.com.np
 - Child at Risk Network (CARNWG)
 - Tel: 4781369, Email: network@car.wlink.com.np
- CEDAW:** FOWLD*, WOREC, BBC, LACC, Jagaran Nepal, HimRights, NTWG, Maithi Nepal, WWS, WACN
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