

## Declaration “Youth Call For Climate Action”

We, the young people, are conscious about our future and the impacts of the changes that are reoccurring so rapidly in our planet earth. We can fight the consequences if only we are given a chance, a chance to implement our visions, ideas and knowledge that will not be a repeated mistake of the past generation and that will be more focused on the protection, conservation and sustainability of the planet earth and with due respect to the enormous resources whatever are left after all the destruction invited by human greed and overexploitation till date.

We urge for an urgency to stabilize the political situation, decentralize the power, and make inclusive and consultative decisions among the young generations and the negotiators by increasing youth participation in the negotiation processes.

We want to unite the respective bodies to have cooperation for cross cutting issues and develop projects to improve such sectors which has hinder the development process of the country.

We call upon an action at grass root level utilizing the available local human resources in country. Awareness and Capacity Building Programs should be designed according to the need of the local community at national level considering the geographical variation.

We advocate on the transboundary issues, while taking in account carbon emission, for a country like Nepal which is between two developed countries China and India. We need strong policies and global governance so we do not have to fear our future for the negative impacts due to increase in carbon emission caused by rising industrialization in neighboring countries.

We request the developed countries to harmonize with the emerging crisis in developing countries by transferring sustainable technology which is affordable, easily accessible and are not out dated in terms of quality. Replication of successful practices, clean energy development at global scale, promotion of renewable energies and climate resilient infrastructures should be the prior to action plan in a country like Nepal which can be highly supported by developed country.

We appeal to develop Youth Climate Fund as young generation requires empowerment and engagement in every sector as they are the standing leaders of today and tomorrow they have to lead the coming generations. Youth efforts, ideas, dedication and initiative should be considered and integrated which plays vital role to combat the impacts of climate change and environmental degradation. On the basis of needs and priority issues of country, we demand for transparent financing on climate as well as for sustainable development with no corruption and financial leakages. We encourage for financial evaluation, monitoring and reporting for every sectors to avoid economical misbalance within the country.

We insist for the implementation of strict laws and rules and reinforce government policies for sustainable management of solid waste including chemicals that have caused the degradation of fertile lands. The land use pattern should be designed according to the favorable conditions of the land keeping in mind the consequences of the human activity.

We also advocate for loss and damages caused either by the climate change or human activities or due to constructional processes. In order to balance and conserve the ecosystem, we demand for biological diversity shifting to compensate with the damages caused by developmental processes. We are committed to afforestation to promote fresh air and contribute to carbon sequestration.

We belong to a country where many glaciers are in the threatening stage which might result in flash floods, GLOFs and unseen disasters. It is an urgency to take action to conserve and do more researches in such vulnerable areas. We care not only about our Himalayas but also for the oceans and seas and ask for programs that highlight the linkages in between for we want peace not a war for water.

We are more dependent on agriculture and it is high time to think about how to develop interest of young people in agriculture coping with the impacts of climate change. Youth migration for decent work and brain drain due to economic crisis has resulted into barren land in many remote areas. There is a need of agricultural financing for food security.

We need access to information, communication and technology to foster our knowledge on climate change, adaptation and mitigation measures as well as sustainable development strategies. We also emphasize on the participation of media from local to global level on different issues of climate change.

