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# Brief Concept Note for Federal Level Advocacy Campaign on the issues of Agriculture Bonded Labours in Nepal

## 1. Operational Context:

On 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, Nepali voters voted for elected seats in the House of Representatives (HoR) and Provincial Assemblies (PA). This was the second HoR and PA elections since the promulgation of Nepal's constitution in 2015, which initiated the country's decentralization process. Pushpa Kamal Dahal, the chairman of the Communist Party of Nepal-Maoist Centre (CPN-MC), which won only 32 seats in the 275-member lower house of parliament in the recent general election, was appointed prime minister after he secured the support of seven parties. The ministry of council at federal level has also formed. Similarly, the Ministry of labour, employment and social security has drafted the integrated bonded labours to address the issues of agriculture bonded labours; freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya, Kamaiya and Kamhlaris. On the other hand, ministry of land management, cooperative and poverty alleviation has endorsed the freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya, Kamaiya and Kamhlari rehabilitation guideline.

## 2. Project Overview:

The Freedom Fund (FF) has "Ending Agriculture Bonded Labour in Nepal (EABL)" for the period from last 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 partnering with AAN and RDN including its local partners at province-2, 5, 7 and Kathmandu. The overall goal of the project is a significant reduction in the prevalence of agricultural bonded labour in Nepal and survivors accessing sustainable freedom by receiving support for recovery and long-term resilience against exploitation.

## 3. Objective of the Campaign:

- i. To validate the fact and findings of the research conducted by the Freedom Fund on the issues of agriculture bonded labours; Harawa-Charawa, Haliya and Kamaiyas.
- ii. To conduct joint advocacy campaign on the issues of agriculture bonded labours at federal level in changing political context.

**4. Duration:** 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2023 to 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 (5 days)

**5. Venue:** Kathmandu Nepal

**6. Participants:** 24 participants (Joint Struggle Committee Representatives-11, Implementing Partners-7, RDN-2, TFF-2 and AAN-2)



## 7. Activities and Time-line:

1 <sup>st</sup> February, 2023	▪ Arrival of participants at Kathmandu (Out of Valley)
2 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2023	▪ Facilitate the regular meeting of Agriculture Bonded labours Joint Struggle Committee
3 <sup>rd</sup> February, 2023	▪ Conduct policy dialogue with newly members of parliaments represent from Freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya and Kamaiya cluster
4 <sup>th</sup> February, 2023	▪ Organize Validation Workshop
5 <sup>th</sup> February, 2023	▪ Return back onwards

## 8. Expected Results:

- Learning and sharing of advocacy campaign among freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya and Kamaiya network members
- Development of further advocacy plan to advocate for further rehabilitation of agriculture bonded labours in Nepal
- Commitment of newly elected members of parliaments for the effective implementation of agriculture bonded labours rehabilitation guideline recently

## 9. Estimated Budget:

SN	Particular	Unit	Qty	Rate	Day/Way	Total
<b>A</b>	<b>Travel to Participants</b>					
i	Bus Travel	Person	18	1000	2	36,000/-
ii	Air Ticket	Person	18	6000	2	216,000/-
iii	Local Travel	Person	18	500	3	27,000/-
	<b>Total</b>					<b>279,000/-</b>
<b>B</b>	<b>Accommodation</b>					
i	DSA to Participants	Person	18	2500	5.5	247,500/-
	<b>Total</b>					<b>247,500/-</b>
<b>C</b>	<b>Validation Workshop</b>					
i	Breakfast, tea/snack and Lunch to participants (Per pack)	Person	24	1250	1	30,000/-
	<b>Total</b>					<b>30,000/-</b>
	<b>Total (A+B+C)</b>					<b>556,500/-</b>

## 10 Overall Management, Coordination & Reporting:

Out of the total estimated budget **NPR 556,500/- (In words Five Lakh Fifty Six Thousand and Five Hundred Only)** for the advocacy campaign at federal level, the Freedom Fund (FF) will bare the cost of Bus and Air ticket as well Breakfast, tea/snack and Lunch to participants cost in accumulation of **NPR 282,000 (In words Two Lakh Eighty Thousand only)** and Action Aid Nepal (AAN) will manage **NPR 274,500/- (In words Two Lakh Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Only)** of local travel and DSA to participants in line with detail budget breakdown as mentioned above. RDN will take a responsibility of coordination/networking and reporting.