

Conception for Freed Harawa-Charawa Rights Caravan-2023 Focusing Freedom, Mass Consciousness and Just Rehabilitation

1. Operational Context:

Nepal is under the practice of federalism and inclusive development. There are 3 layers of government; local, provincial and federal. The government of Nepal has conducted local, provincial and federal election. Similarly, the government of Nepal has formally declared the emancipation of Harawa-Charawa on 18th July, 2022. Ministry of land management, cooperative and poverty alleviation has endorsed the freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya, Kamaiya and Kamhlari rehabilitation guideline. The guideline has been forwarded to ministry of finance and ministry of law for further endorsement from the cabinet ministry of council. Similarly, the Ministry of labour, employment and social security has drafted the integrated bonded labours Act to address the issues of agriculture bonded labours within a single Act; freed Harawa-Charawa, Haliya, Kamaiya and Kamhlaris.

2. Overview of the Project:

Rastriya Dalit Network (RDN) Nepal is implementing the project entitled as "Ending Agriculture Bonded Labours in Nepal" for the period from 1st April, 2021 to 30th June, 2024 with the financial support of –the Freedom Fund that aims to contribute for emancipation and just rehabilitation of agriculture bonded labours: Harawa-Charawa, Haliyas and Kamaiyas-HCHaK in Nepal. The project has envisioned two outcomes as:

The Harawa-Charawa networks formed, strengthened, and mobilized to contribute the united movement of the agriculture bonded labour

FLEAG platform mobilized to advocate for changes and implementation of legislative, policies and programs of provincial and federal government in favour of agricultural bonded labours

3. Description of the Activity:

The project will facilitate to organize one event of 5 days freed Harawa-Charawa rights caravan at different freed Harawa-Charawa settlements of 8 districts in Madesh Province led by national HC rights forum with an aim to empower, organize and mobilize its district level HC network members to systematically claim for their rights. There will be two teams in the caravan. The first team will move from Birgunj of Parsa district and next time will move from Rajbiraj of Saptari district after organizing the inaugurating ceremony. Both teams will meet at Janakpur together and organize closing ceremony among mass of people in the presence of chief-minster of province-2. The memorandum will be submitted to chief minister of Madesh Province by putting the demands of recently freed Harawa-Charawa.

Comment [BRB1]: - I think it would be good to include KTM program after the Caravan. During our skype meeting we discussed about joining the community people also good to add that information in the process.

Comment [BRB2]: I think review this line. We also coordination with local govt.

4. Objectives of the Caravan:

The specific objective (s) of the caravan are outlines as below;

- ◆ To spread the message of the declaration of the emancipation of Harawa-Charawa among target communities, masters of HC (landlords), local government, government officials, police offices, civil society organizations and other concerned stakeholders in wider level
- ◆ To support the movement building and strengthening the HC network.
- ◆ To sensitize the policy makers and duty-bearers at local and provincial level for the Kamaiya loan dismissal and justifiable rehabilitation of freed Harawa-Charawa

Comment [BRB3]: Coordination sensitize local govt declaration, wags and dismiss the loan

5. Duration of the Caravan: 8th April, 2023 to 12th April, 2023

6. Venue of the Caravan: 8 districts (Saptari, Siraha, Dhanusha, Mahottari, Sarlahi, Rautahat, Bara and Parsa) of Madesh Province in Nepal

7. Participants of the Caravan: A total of 50 (Harawa-Charawa-Network members=30 Prs, *Haliya, Kamaiya and Kamhlaris participants=4 prs*, RDN team members= 7 prs, Freedom Fund Partners=4, and the Freedom Fund team=3 prs) will be directly involved in the process and additionally more than 1000 people from target communities and stakeholders will be mobilized through interaction and discussion with local government authorities including CSOs and other concerned stakeholders. Out of total participants, **40%** meaningful participation of women will be ensured for that event.

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8. Process and Implementation Strategies of the Caravan:

- Out of the 30 HC network members (3 HC network members*8 district=24 and 6 from national HC network), 15 HC network will join together in first team at Rajbiraj and rest 15 HC network will join together in second team at Birgunj
- The participants of the caravan will be selected from the meeting of district and national HC networks and participates with voluntary basis.
- The caravan will be inaugurated at starting point by organizing rally with play cards where other local HC network members and stakeholders will join for solidarity
- Regarding the safety and security of the participants, RDN will develop the detail schedule of caravan and will be shared to participants and police offices of caravan route. Similarly, local government will be informed to ensure the security.
- RDN team members will conduct the risk assessment and develop the risk reduction plan before organizing the caravan. The participants will be oriented on safety measures during caravan. The code of conduct will be prepared and shared each participant. For this, the management team from participants in each day will be formed by dividing the responsibility. One caravan head will be nominated who will guide all participants to arrange the caravan in systematic way.
- The banner with play cards with slogan will be hanged in tractors which will clearly demonstrate the message of caravan. The project will also distribute half jacket and cap with printing the visibility to each participant.
- Based on the schedule of the caravan, participants will be managed for accommodation and fooding where they will stay at night with adopting safety measures. *Participants will walk on feet in the city center and use tractors in during the rote of carvan. RDN will book the hotels for the night stay as per the schedule of the caravan.*
- During the caravan, team members will organize interactions and discussion program with local government bodies, CSOs and journalists at different places of 8 districts.
- During the caravan, local HC network members and respective FF partners will meet the caravan team and welcome them and meet the local body representatives in the respective areas.
- At the ending day of the caravan, the team members will organize closing ceremony in the presence of policy makers, chief-minister and other stakeholders at province-2

Comment [BRB5]: I think good to add KTM centered program after Caravan. That is also part of caravan.

9. Expected Results:

- ❖ More than **100,000** freed Harawa-Charawa at 8 districts of Madesh-Province well informed about the declaration of the emancipation of Harawa-Charawa by the government of Nepal

- ❖ A total of **30** HC network members including **40%** HC women engaged in caravan to raise their voices and concern in various plate forums
- ❖ Local and provincial level policy makers and duty-bearers sensitized on HC issues and delivered their commitment focusing just rehabilitation of recently freed Harawa-Charawa
- ❖ Harawa-Charawa communities are aware on the legal and constitutional provision regarding the rights of freed Harawa-Charawa
- ❖ The news and feature stories of freed Harawa-Charawa highlighted in different local and national print and electronic media for influencing in policy level
- ❖ **1** memorandum/demand paper submitted by national Harawa-Charawa network to the office of chief minister at Madesh Province by putting the agendas of freed Harawa-Charawa targeting further just rehabilitation
- ❖ A total of **4** members from agriculture bonded labours; freed Haliya and ex-Kamaiyas engaged in the caravan to ensure the collective action/effort and solidarity

10. Schedule of the Caravan:

Team-A (Rajbiraj to Janakpur)

Day-First (8th April, 2023)

- Caravan will start at 9:00 AM, gather more than 100 HC network members with play-cards, conduct inauguration ceremony at Neta-Chauk, invite mayor /deputy mayor of *Kanchanrup municipality, CSOs, media and stakeholders*
- Move to Sambhunath, organize commitment program from local government, also invite HC network members from Dakneshwori and night stay, coordination with SCDC
- Move to Surunga and organize commitment program from local government at Kadmaha Chowk, coordinate with JDS, invite HC network members from Khadak and Bisliya, Lunch at Surunga
- Move to Lahan and organize commitment program, night stay at Madbari Sewa Sadan, Coordinate with DJKYC, review and reflection

Day-Second (9th April, 2023)

- Move to Bastipur, organize commitment program, coordinate with DJKYC
- Move to Sakuwanankarkatti, organize commitment program
- Move to Dhangadhimai, invite HC network members from Laxmipurpatari, organize commitment program, coordinate with BIDC and night stay

Day-Third (10th April, 2023)

- Move to Bhariyarpatti, organize commitment program
- Move to Siraha Bazar, organize commitment program, Night stay coordinating with Red Cross Office or DCC, review and reflection

Note- I think it would be good to add one event in Aurahi Siraha.

Day-Fourth (11th April, 2023)

- Move to Ganeshman Charnath, organize commitment program from local government
- Move to Sahidnagar, take lunch, organize commitment program of local government
- Move to Janakpur, meet with Birgunj team, organize closing ceremony, submit the memorandum to Chief minister, coordinate with CIC

Day-Fifth (12th April, 2023)

Comment [BRB6]: - I think it would be good to add one event in Aurahi Siraha.

- Overall Review and Reflection of Caravan (What went well and what did not?, Lesson learned, issues/challenges and Way Forward), Move to Kathmandu for sensitization campaign

Team-B (Birgunj to Janakpur)

Day-First (8th April, 2023)

- Caravan will start at 9:00 AM, Inauguration of caravan by mayor of Birgunj, coordinate with CSOs, Media and other stakeholders
- Move to Bahudarmai, invite HC network members from Parsagadhi, organize commitment program from local government
- Move to Jitpur, take lunch and organize commitment program
- Move to Kalaiya, organize commitment program, and night stay, review and reflection

Day-Secod (9th April, 2023)

- Move to Karaiyamai and organize program
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- Move to Kolvi, invite HC network members from Baragadhi, organize commitment program
- Move to Balchandrapur and organize commitment program
- Move to Gaur, organize commitment program and night stay, review and reflection

Day-Third (10th April, 2023)

- Move to Malagawa from Gaur, organize commitment program
- Move to Brahmpuri from Malangwa, organize commitment program and night stay at Bardibas

Day-Fouth (11th April, 2023)

- Move to Jaleswor and organize commitment program
- Move to Janakpur, meet with Rajbiraj team, organize closing ceremony, submit the memorandum to Chief minister, coordinate with CIC, review and reflection

Day-Fifth (12th April, 2023)

- Overall Review and Reflection of Caravan (What went well and what did not?, Lesson learned, issues/challenges and Way Forward), Move to Kathmandu for sensitization campaign

11. Estimated Budget for the Program:

Particular	QTY.	Days	Rate	Total
Lunch & Dinner Per Packs	50	5	1000	250000
Travel Out of Provence 2	12	1	10000	120000
Travel Tactor	4	5	7000	140000
Jeep Hair	1	5	10000	50000
Mike	2	5	2500	25000
Publication of Apil	5000	1	5	25000
Jacket	50	1	800	40000
Cap	50	1	200	10000
Banner	4	1	2000	8000
Play Card	100	1	20	2000

Frist Aid	2	1	5000	10000
Khada	50	1	150	7500
Video Documentary	1	5	10000	50000
Total Budget				737500

Annex-I (Necessary Materials/Equipment for Caravan-Check-List)

SN	Necessary Materials/Equipment	Unit	Qty
1	Tractors for team A and Team B (Some activists will take bicycles)	Number	4
2	Play cards with slogans and messages	Pieces	100
3	Half Jacket for participants	Pieces	50
4	Caps for participants	Pieces	50
5	Mikes in Rent	Number	2
6	Sound Box/System in rent	Number	2
7	Video-Documentary	Person	1
8	Invitation Letter to guest	Numbers	100
9	Banner	Number	4
10	First Aid Kit Box	Box	2
11	Information Letter to local police office and government	Number	20
12	Guest Management (Travel and Accommodation)	Person	2
13	Journalist Management (Travel and Accommodation)	Person	5
14	Khada	Number	100
15	Appeal	Pieces	5000
16	Collection of memorandum from local HC network	Number	20
17	Memorandum to chief minister of Madesh province	Number	1
18	Agreement with Vendors (Tractors)	Number	2
19	Meeting minutes	Minute	2

Annex-II: Key Activities for the Necessary Preparation:

- ◆ Facilitate meeting of Local HC network (Palika level) for the necessary preparation of Caravan within 30 March, 2023 (32 events* 1 day* 11 Participants)
- ◆ Facilitate meeting of District HC networks for necessary preparation of caravan within 4 April, 2023 (8 districts*1 day*15 participants)
- ◆ Selection of participants for caravan through the meeting of district HC network
- ◆ Facilitate meeting of national HC network for necessary preparation and selection of participants on 5th April, 2023
- ◆ Pre-field visit of RDN board and senior management team from 6-7 April, 2023 at all 8 districts of Madesh Province
- ◆ Organize Coordination meeting with partners NGOs on 3 April, 2023
- ◆ Organize staff meeting of RDN for the necessary preparation on 5th April, 2023
- ◆ Publication/Printing of Appeal, Banner, information Letter to local police office, Invitation Letter to local government, stakeholders, office of the chief minister and Banner
- ◆ Procurement of necessary materials/equipment as guided by check-List
- ◆ Financial Management

ANNEX-I (SAFEGUARDING RISK ASSESSMENT)

Activity: Freed Harawa-Charawa Rights Caravan-2023

Describe the Hazard/Risk	Risk to Whom	Likelihood	Mitigation strategies	Risk Level after Mitigation	Next Steps to take	Responsible	Time-line
Attract by land-owners/masters	Freed Harawa-Charawa	3	Deliver written information to local police office with details of caravan	1	Conduct orientation to participants on safeguarding /protection	Safeguarding focal person	4-7 April, 023
Sickness of participants	Participants of Caravan	3	Manage first aid kits	1	Assign Health Volunteers	Management Team	8-10 April, 023
Harawa-Charawa abused, dominated by land-owners/masters	Harawa-Charawa	2	Orientation on code of conduct and information sharing to police office	1	Promote Complaints Handing Mechanism (CHM)	Safeguarding focal person	8-10 April, 023
Theft	Participants	1	Take care of their own, obey code of conduct	1	Take care	Safeguarding focal person	8-10 April, 023
Sexual Harrasment	Harawa-Charawa women	1	Orientation on code of conduct	1	Take care	Safeguarding focal person	8-10 April, 023
Weak participants ignored	Weak Participants of caravan	1	Orientation on code of conduct	1	Take care	Safeguarding focal person	8-10 April, 023
Windstrom	Participants of Caravan	2		1		Focal Person	8-10 April, 023

*1=Low, 2=Medium and 3=High

