

<b>Country/entity</b>	Nepal
<b>Region</b>	Asia and Pacific
<b>Agreement name</b>	Agreement between the Government Talks Team comprising the Seven political Parties and Sanghiya Ganatantrik Rastriya Morcha, Nepal
<b>Date</b>	2 Mar 2008
<b>Agreement status</b>	Multiparty signed/agreed
<b>Interim arrangement</b>	Yes
<b>Agreement/conflict level</b>	Intrastate/local conflict

**Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006)**

Inspired by the Maoist insurgency in Peru in the early 1990s, the Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist) – CPN(M) – declared war on the Nepalese government in February 1996. A key demand was the transformation of Nepal from a monarchy into a ‘People’s Republic’. Following a pronounced Maoist military strategy, the CPN(M) focused their insurgency on the rural areas. They gained significantly in strength and it took heavy international military support to stabilize the Nepalese government in 2002. After public protests escalated in Kathmandu in 2004, the Nepalese King Gyanendra took authoritarian control over the government. In the cities, a strong popular movement for democracy emerged, forcing the government into fast progressing peace negotiations in 2006 that concluded with the signing of a Comprehensive Peace Accord on 21 November 2006.

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Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006)

<b>Stage</b>	Framework/substantive - partial
<b>Conflict nature</b>	Government/territory
<b>Peace process</b>	Nepal related-local processes

**Parties**

On behalf of Sanghiya Ganatantrik Rastriya Morcha, Nepal

Sd.

(Mr D.K. Buddhist)

Chairperson,

Sanghiya Ganatantrik Rastriya Morcha, Nepal

Sd.

(Mr Kumar Lingden 'Mirak')

Chairperson,

Sanghiya Limbuwan Rajya Parishad

Sd.

(Mr Laxman Tharu)

Chairperson,

Samyukta Tharu Rastriya Morcha-Nepal

Sd.

(Mr Bisendra Paswan)

Chairperson,

Dalit Janajati Party

Sd.

(Mr Singman Tamang)

Vice-chairman,

Tamangsaling Swayatta Rajya Parishad

Talks Team comprising seven parties

Sd.

(Mr Ram Chandra Poudel)

Coordinator

Sd.

(Mr Shanker Pokharel)

Member

Sd.

(Mr Dev Prasad Gurung)

Member

Sd.

(Mr Ghanashyam Sharma Poudel)

Member

Sd.

(Mr Sunil Prajapati)

Member

Sd.

(Mr Keshav Nepal)

Member

**Third parties**

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**Description**

An agreement between the Government Talks Team comprising the Seven political Parties and Sanghiya Ganatantrik Rastriya Morcha. Issues covered include inclusion of marginalised groups in state structures, reparations for martyrs' families, and the withdrawal of general shutdowns and strikes to ensure a successful constituency assembly election.

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**Agreement document**

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**Groups****Children/youth**

No specific mention.

**Disabled persons**

Groups→Disabled persons→Other  
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**Elderly/age**

No specific mention.

**Migrant workers**

No specific mention.

**Racial/ethnic/  
national group**

Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Rhetorical

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Groups→Racial/ethnic/national group→Substantive

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**Religious groups**

Groups→Religious groups→Rhetorical

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**Indigenous people** Groups→Indigenous people→Rhetorical

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**Other groups**

No specific mention.

**Refugees/displaced persons** No specific mention.

**Social class**

Groups→Social class→Rhetorical

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## **Gender**

### **Women, girls and gender**

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### **Men and boys**

No specific mention.

### **LGBTI**

No specific mention.

### **Family**

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**State definition**

**Nature of state (general)** No specific mention.

**State configuration** Page 1, Untitled Preamble: In the spirit of the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat Dalits, and women; ending all forms of discrimination that evolved over a period of 239 years due to the centralised feudal state against the aspirations of Adivasi Janajati , Madheshis, Dalits, women, backward groups, minorities and Muslim communities, we, the signatories, have reached the following written agreement, expressing commitment to build a peaceful, prosperous and modern new Nepal, incorporating all Nepalese people, including Adivasi Janajati , Madheshis, Dalits and women into the national mainstream, by establishing a federal democratic republic based on a new state structure as per the [principles] of a federal system with proportional democracy and autonomous federal states.

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**Self determination** No specific mention.

**Referendum** No specific mention.

**State symbols** No specific mention.

**Independence/ secession** No specific mention.

**Accession/ unification** No specific mention.

**Border delimitation** No specific mention.

**Cross-border provision** No specific mention.

## **Governance**

<b>Political institutions (new or reformed)</b>	Governance→Political institutions (new or reformed)→General references Page 1, 2: By abolishing the monarchy through the Constituent Assembly, Nepal shall be proclaimed a federal democratic republic and the seven parties shall remain committed to its enforcement.
<b>Elections</b>	Page 1, 5: All general shutdowns, including the general strike called by the Federal Republic National Front, Nepal, shall be withdrawn to enable a successful Constituent Assembly election scheduled for April 10, 2008 and all political factions of this Front shall help conduct the election in a conducive atmosphere.
<b>Electoral commission</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Political parties reform</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Civil society</b>	Page 1, 5: All general shutdowns, including the general strike called by the Federal Republic National Front, Nepal, shall be withdrawn to enable a successful Constituent Assembly election scheduled for April 10, 2008 and all political factions of this Front shall help conduct the election in a conducive atmosphere.
<b>Traditional/religious leaders</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Public administration</b>	No specific mention.
<b>Constitution</b>	No specific mention.

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## **Power sharing**

**Political power sharing** No specific mention.

**Territorial power sharing** Power sharing→Territorial power sharing→Federal or similar sub-divided government  
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**Economic power sharing** No specific mention.

**Military power sharing** No specific mention.

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## Human rights and equality

**Human rights/RoL general** No specific mention.

**Bill of rights/similar** No specific mention.

**Treaty incorporation** No specific mention.

**Civil and political rights** No specific mention.

**Socio-economic rights** No specific mention.

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## Rights related issues

**Citizenship** No specific mention.

**Democracy** Page 1, Untitled Preamble: In the spirit of the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat Dalits, and women; ending all forms of discrimination that evolved over a period of 239 years due to the centralised feudal state against the aspirations of Adivasi Janajati , Madheshis, Dalits, women, backward groups, minorities and Muslim communities, we, the signatories, have reached the following written agreement, expressing commitment to build a peaceful, prosperous and modern new Nepal, incorporating all Nepalese people, including Adivasi Janajati , Madheshis, Dalits and women into the national mainstream, by establishing a federal democratic republic based on a new state structure as per the [principles] of a federal system with proportional democracy and autonomous federal states.

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**Detention procedures** No specific mention.

**Media and communication** No specific mention.

**Mobility/access** No specific mention.

**Protection measures** No specific mention.

**Other** No specific mention.

## **Rights institutions**

**NHRI** No specific mention.

**Regional or international human rights institutions** No specific mention.

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## **Justice sector reform**

**Criminal justice and emergency law** No specific mention.

**State of emergency provisions** No specific mention.

**Judiciary and courts** No specific mention.

**Prisons and detention** No specific mention.

**Traditional Laws** No specific mention.

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## **Socio-economic reconstruction**

**Development or socio-economic reconstruction** No specific mention.

**National economic plan** No specific mention.

**Natural resources** No specific mention.

**International funds** No specific mention.

**Business** No specific mention.

**Taxation** No specific mention.

**Banks** No specific mention.

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## **Land, property and environment**

**Land reform/rights** No specific mention.

**Pastoralist/  
nomadism rights** No specific mention.

**Cultural heritage** No specific mention.

**Environment** No specific mention.

**Water or riparian  
rights or access** No specific mention.

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## **Security sector**

**Security  
Guarantees** No specific mention.

**Ceasefire** No specific mention.

**Police** No specific mention.

**Armed forces** No specific mention.

**DDR** No specific mention.

**Intelligence  
services** No specific mention.

**Parastatal/rebel  
and opposition  
group forces** Page 1, 1: Those who attained martyrdom during the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat and Dalit people shall be declared martyrs with due respect and Rs 1,000,000 (one million) shall be provided to the dependent families of the deceased. Provisions shall be made to provide employment to one family member and free education [for children] of each martyr family, and treatment to injured agitators. Charges filed against leaders and cadres shall be withdrawn and those detained shall be immediately released. A taskforce comprising the Government and agitating sides shall be immediately formed and work shall be initiated to identify those who attained martyrdom and those who were injured during the movement.

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**Withdrawal of foreign forces** No specific mention.

**Corruption** No specific mention.

**Crime/organised crime** No specific mention.

**Drugs** No specific mention.

**Terrorism** No specific mention.

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## **Transitional justice**

**Transitional justice general** No specific mention.

**Amnesty/pardon** Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper  
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**Courts** No specific mention.

**Mechanism** No specific mention.

**Prisoner release** Page 1, 1: Those who attained martyrdom during the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat and Dalit people shall be declared martyrs with due respect and Rs 1,000,000 (one million) shall be provided to the dependent families of the deceased. Provisions shall be made to provide employment to one family member and free education [for children] of each martyr family, and treatment to injured agitators. Charges filed against leaders and cadres shall be withdrawn and those detained shall be immediately released. A taskforce comprising the Government and agitating sides shall be immediately formed and work shall be initiated to identify those who attained martyrdom and those who were injured during the movement.

**Vetting** No specific mention.

**Victims** Page 1, 1: Those who attained martyrdom during the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat and Dalit people shall be declared martyrs with due respect and Rs 1,000,000 (one million) shall be provided to the dependent families of the deceased. Provisions shall be made to provide employment to one family member and free education [for children] of each martyr family, and treatment to injured agitators. Charges filed against leaders and cadres shall be withdrawn and those detained shall be immediately released. A taskforce comprising the Government and agitating sides shall be immediately formed and work shall be initiated to identify those who attained martyrdom and those who were injured during the movement.

**Missing persons** No specific mention.

**Reparations** Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations  
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**Reconciliation** No specific mention.

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**Implementation**

**UN signatory** No specific mention.

**Other international signatory** No specific mention.

**Referendum for agreement** No specific mention.

**International mission/force/similar** No specific mention.

**Enforcement mechanism** No specific mention.