

**Agreement between the Government Talks Team comprising the Seven Parties and
the Federal Republic National Front, Nepal on 2 March 2008
(2064 Phagun 18)**

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In keeping with the spirit of the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat and Dalit women; ending all forms of discrimination that evolved over a period of 239 years, because of the centralised feudal state, against the aspirations of indigenous nationalities, Madhesis, 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 Nepali people, including indigenous nationalities, Madhesis, 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 a proportional inclusive democracy and an autonomous federal state.

1. Those who attained martyrdom during the movements of the Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat and Dalit people shall be given due respect and declared martyrs. Rupees 1,000,000 (one million) shall be provided to every dependent family. Arrangements shall be made to provide employment to one family member of the martyr, free education and treatment to injured agitators, charges filed against leaders and cadres shall be repealed and those detained shall be immediately released.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.
2. By abolishing the monarchy, Nepal shall be proclaimed a federal democratic republic through the Constituent Assembly and the seven parties shall remain committed to its implementation.
3. By keeping Nepal's sovereignty, national unity and integrity intact, provision shall be made for scientific autonomous federal republic states by the Constituent Assembly based on the historical backgrounds, languages, geographical regions and economic resources and viability of Limbuwan, Khambuwan, Tamangsaling, Tharuhat as well as other indigenous nationalities, Dalits, backward classes and ethnicities by abolishing the 239-year old centralized system of governance. To ensure this, (a proposal to this effect) shall be submitted and ratified by the Council of Ministers and conveyed to the parties concerned. In the process of forming a new national structure, the self respect of all groups and ethnicities shall be protected. The structure of the autonomous states of the republic, complete details and division of power between the centre and the states shall be determined by the Constituent Assembly. For its implementation, this agreement shall be sent to the Commission for Restructuring which is to be formed in connection with the new national structure.

4. Arrangements shall be made for inclusive proportional participation of indigenous nationalities, natives of the Tarai, Dalits, backward classes, minority Muslims, women etc. in all organs of the state.
5. All *bands*, including the general strike called by the Federal Republic National Front, Nepal, shall be withdrawn to enable a successful Constituent Assembly election scheduled for 10 April 2008 (2064 Chait 28) and all political factions of this Front shall help conduct the election in a conducive atmosphere.

**On behalf of the Federal Republic
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**On behalf of the Government Talks Team
comprising of seven parties**

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