**Condemn for dismantling the houses of Badi Community**

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Government authorities; Police and Forest Division Office Dhangadi, Kailali dismantled over 535 houses including 35 houses of Badi community at Chowkidanda of Godavari Municipality-3 which were built on both sides of the Mahendra Highway.

The police and forest division office Dhangadhi used bulldozers to destroy the houses of halves not which is stated as inhuman deeds of government by stakeholders. The residents had rare options to settle in alternative areas but the displaced were forced to relocate when dozers demolished their homes without warning. As a result; patients, dwellers, pregnant women, and students were unable to save their belongings rather victims were forced to be in tarpaulins around the same location and freeze in continuous rain and cold.

The government has provisioned to offer land to landless Dalits once in the constitution for what it has formed National Land Commission. The commission is collecting the information and verifies the actual landless houses. Meanwhile, forcibly displacing landless citizens with no alternatives is a serious violation of the spirit of constitution, law, and human rights.

The National Network of Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights has taken the action seriously and drawing the attention of concerned to resolve the issue swiftly to protect the human rights of victims. Mr. Shyamalal Bishwokarma (ESCR Coordinator) stated that the serial eviction on behalf of governments around the nation must be stopped immediately, the victims of the incident must be rehabilitated, and their right to live with dignity must be respected. Furthermore, the network strongly demanded to regard the provisions of the constitution and solve the problem of landless adopting the sustainable measures.