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Call for Papers for National Symposium on Child Rights

National Child Rights Council (NCRC) is a government apex body to protect and promote rights of children in Nepal. The council is mandated for building capacities of child rights agencies and government authorities, promote national child rights campaigns, provide policy advice, operate child protection services and serve as resource center.

NCRC is going to organize a *Two Day National Symposium on Child Rights and Child Protection* to promote discourse and evidence based knowledge sharing on protection and promotion of child rights in Nepal and to develop common understanding among policy makers, practitioners, activists, researchers and academia on implementing child rights in Nepal.

NCRC hereby call for a research based papers to be presented in the symposium from scholars, development professionals, child rights activist and experts on the field of child rights.

Key Theme- Child Rights Protection amidst COVID Pandemic

Thematic Issues

Education, Health and Basic Services

Children's Right to Education in COVID; Children's Right to Food and Nutrition in COVID; Child Poverty and Vulnerabilities; Children and Psychological Health, Children's Vulnerability in COVID

Protection from Discrimination, Abuse, Violence, Exploitation

Ending Child Labor - Vulnerabilities and Learning; Children and Parental Care; Child Trafficking, Forced Institutionalization of Children; Special Protection Needed Children - Children with Disability, Orphan Children and Children belonging to LGBTIQ community

Child Rights Governance

Child Rights Protection System in Nepal; Children in Conflict with Law; Justice for Children; Child Participation in governance and institution

Entertainment, Leisure and Sports

Children and Media; Children and Sports; New Media and Child Sensitivity; Child Protection in New World of Communication

Author/s Guidelines

Abstract: Abstract should be submitted for a standalone paper (or concept note for the panel). Abstract or the concept note will go through a process of review and will get a notice of the acceptance by email. An abstract or concept note may include:

- Title (concise and specific)
- Name(s) of the paper presenter(s)
- Institutional affiliation
- E-mail address
- Phone number

• The text (with word limit - 250 words)

The size of Paper - Shall be between 3000-4000 words. This excludes the references, foot notes.

Content of the Paper - The paper must be built on in-depth investigation in the topic of interest. Apaper will have an introduction that clearly articulates the context, research gaps and objectives of the study; a brief explanation of research methodology; results and discussions; conclusions; and policy implications.

Only essential pictures (graph, drawing and so on) and tables will be included in the manuscript with proper explanation and referenced in the main text. Any other relevant (supplementary) information may be put in appendix (cies).

Formatting - Manuscripts should be written in Times New Roman with font size 11 and be double spaced, with references and notes included.

Language - The article must be submitted in English Language. Abstract shall be submitted in Nepali and English both.

References - All the citations are expected to be in text citation in APA (Sixth Edition) format. The references shall be made on foot note. A footnote reference shall not exceed more than 100 words. All cited references must be listed in reference list at the end of the article in APA style.

Originality of the Paper—A paper must be originally written by the author/s and should not have been presented/published in another symposium before; until and unless NCRC request such already published article. Plagiarism test would be conducted and any plagiarized paper will not be considered.

The author(s) including corresponding one, must ensure, with a declaration, that the research paper submitted for review is original and is not published or under consideration for publication elsewhere.

Correction and Retraction Policy: Ensuring compliance with all requirements in submitted papers is the responsibility of the editorial team. As such, the editorial team makes final decision on the magnitude of correction to be made on the original article.

Declaration of Interest:

Author(s) must disclose any financial and personal relationships with other people or organizations that could possibly influence the work. Author(s) should include a declaration on the conflict of interest while submitting their manuscripts. Reviewers are also required to disclose potential conflict of interest regarding the manuscript they have reviewed.

Ethical Clearance: In case of human object participation in research, author(s) must present ethical clearance from respective ethical review authority.

Right of Editorial Board: The editorial board has sole right of accepting and not accepting paper for presenting in the symposium. The editorial board holds the authority to exclude any table, graphs, picture in text or in appendix without affecting the core content. The editorial board holds the authority to make language correction if required without affecting the core content. Finally selected paper for presentation would be published.

Copyright of Article: The copyright of published paper remain with author(s) and the National Child Rights Council.

Submission of the Article

An abstract can be submitted in contact@ncrc.gov.np clearly mentioning authors name, contact details, institution. An abstract must be submitted in Microsoft Word File (97-2003 Version). Only digital submission would be accepted. Potential contributors from women and disadvantaged group are also encouraged to submit papers.

Timeline for Submission

Manuscript should be submitted by 7th January 2022 (Poush 21, 2078).