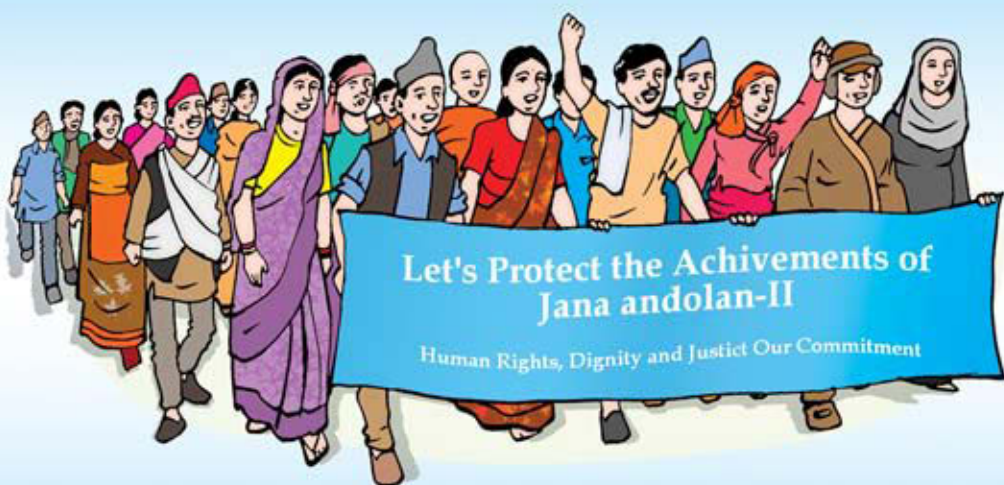


INSEC Human Rights Campaigners Elected to the Constituent Assembly



Informal Sector Service Centre (INSEC)
2008

Advocating for Human Rights in Constituent Assembly

INSEC is proud of our trusted companions who are elected to the historic Constituent Assembly. With their long experience of leading and advocating proactively for the promotion and protection of the rights of the people we are confident that they will perform their roles collectively and with full capacity. Four of the recipients of Prakash Human Rights Award, being conferred every year to Grass-Roots Human Rights defenders by INSEC in memory of its founder Secretary General Late Prakash Kafley, will be representing aspirations of the rural people, discriminated, disadvantaged and marginalized groups of people with true feeling. In addition, INSEC members and campaigners will be advocating for HR issues in the assembly. We believe these 15 CA members will vanguard Human Rights, Freedom, Dignity and Justice.

1. Ram Rati Devi Ram

Sex : Female
Age : 41
Caste/Ethnicity : Dalit
District : Siraha (South-East, Terai)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal -Unified Marxist-Leninist (CPN-UML)

Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Recipient of Prakash Human Rights Award-2063, Participant of INSEC Literacy & Awareness Class

Involvement in Movement - Dalit Rights Activist

2. Basanti Devi Jha

Sex : Female
 Age : 52
 Caste/Ethnicity : Madhesi
 District : Mahottari (Central South Terai)
 Party : Terai Madhesh Loktantrik Party, 5th largest Party (TMLP)
 Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



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Relationship with INSEC - Recipient of Prakash Human Rights Award-2058

Involvement in Movement - Activist for voting right of women

3. Sonam Chejung Lama

Sex : Female
 Age : 52
 Caste/Ethnicity : Indigenous
 District : Mugu (Mid-West high hill)
 Party : Communist Party of Nepal- Unified Marxist-Leninist (CPN-UML)
 Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Recipient of Prakash Human Rights Award-2057

Involvement in Movement - Rights Activist from Indigenous Minority group

4. Bishwendra Paswan

Sex : Male
 Age : 47
 Caste/Ethnicity : Dalit
 District : Siraha (South-East Terai)
 Party : Dalit Janajati Party (DJP) - Chairperson of the Party
 Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Recipient of Prakash Human Rights Award-2056

Involvement in Movement - Activist and leader of justice to untouchables and caste discrimination and wage earners

5. Nazir Miya

Sex : Male
 Age : 56
 Caste/Ethnicity : Muslim
 District : Arghakhanchi (West-Hill)
 Party : Communist Party of Nepal- Unified Marxist-Leninist (CPN-UML)
 Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Executive Member of INSEC

Involvement in Movement - HR Activist

6. Sita Kumari Paudel

Sex : Female
Age : 50
Caste/Ethnicity : Bramin/Chhetri
District : Chitwan (Central South)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation
(PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - General Member of INSEC

Involvement in Movement - Women's Rights and Political Rights
Activist

7. Yashoda Devi Adhikari

Sex : Female
Age : 47
Caste/Ethnicity : Bramin/Chhetri
District : Morang (Eastern Terai)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation
(PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - General Member of INSEC

Involvement in Movement - Women's Rights and Political Rights
Activist

8. Harka Bahadur Singh

Sex : Male
Age : 52
Caste/Ethnicity : Bramin/Chhetri
District : Doti (Far-west, Hill)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : First-Past-The-Post (FPTP)



Relationship with INSEC - Former INSEC District Representative, Former Chairperson of INSEC district partner organization, Human Rights and People Service Centre (HURPEC), Doti district

Involvement in Movement - Human Rights Activist

9. Chandra Bahadur Gurung

Sex : Male
Age : 53
Caste/Ethnicity : Indigenous
District : Mustang (west-Hill)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : First-Past-The-Post (FPTP)



Relationship with INSEC - Ex-INSEC District Representative (Resigned to stand in CA election)

Involvement in Movement - Human Rights Activist from indigenous group

10. Sukdaiya Chaudhary

Sex : Female
Age : 29
Caste/Ethnicity : Indigenous
District : Kailali (Mid-west, South)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal-
Maoist (CPN-Maoist)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation
(PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Associated with INSEC programs and projects to free Kamaiya and their rights

Involvement in Movement - Kamaiya (Bonded laborers) freedom fighter, represents THARU an indigenous community

11. Lal Mani Chaudhary

Sex : Male
Age : 44
Caste/Ethnicity : Indigenous
District : Chitwan (Central-south)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : First-Past-The-Post (FPTP)



Relationship with INSEC - Adviser to INSEC
Partner Organization, Women Development Centre, Chitwan

Involvement in Movement - Human Rights Activist

12. Krishna Kumari Pariyar

Sex : Female
Age : 41
Caste/Ethnicity : Dalit
District : Kaski (Western-Hill)
Party : Nepali Congress (NC)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Vice-chair of INSEC
Partner Organization, Women Service Centre, Kaski

Involvement in Movement - HR Activist of Hill Dalits

13. Haseena Miya

Sex : Female
Age : 57
Caste/Ethnicity : Muslim
District : Syangja (West-Hill)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist (CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation (PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Participant of INSEC Literacy and Adult Education Class

Involvement in Movement - HR Activist, Represents Religious Minority Muslim

14. Sapana Malla Pradhan

Sex : Female
Age : 43
Caste/Ethnicity : Indigenous
District : Kathmandu (Central-Region)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation
(PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Associated with HRTMCC (Human Rights Treaty Monitoring Coordination Committee, a coalition of 50+ HR organizations to present Counter Report and advocate in the UN System and to the Government) in the capacity of Coordinator of CEDAW Sub-committee. INSEC is the secretariat of HRTMCC.

Involvement in Movement - Women Rights Activist and law practitioner. Well known leader in her field.

15. Shanti Adhikari

Sex : Female
Age : 47
Caste/Ethnicity : Bramin/Chhetri
District : Kathmandu (Central-Region)
Party : Communist Party of Nepal
- Unified Marxist-Leninist
(CPN-UML)
Elected in CA : Proportional Representation
(PR) system



Relationship with INSEC - Ex-Chairperson of Alliance Nepal (Resigned after being elected in CA), Member of HRTMCC. INSEC is founder of Alliance-Nepal which is the largest alliance of NGO working with Rights Based Approach in all districts.

Involvement in Movement - Women and Child Rights Activist

Table 1: Details of the CA Members

Name	Sex	Age	Districts																	
			Agthakhanchi	Chitwan	Doti	Kailali	Kaski	Kailimandru	Manjari	Morang	Mugu	Mustang	Siraha	Syengda	Political Parties					
			CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	CPN (Maoist)	NC	CPN (UML)	TMLP	CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	CPN (UML)	Caste/Ethnicity					
			Muslim	Bramin/Chhetri	Indigenous	Bramin/Chhetri	Indigenous	Dalit	Bramin/Chhetri	Indigenous	Indigenous	Indigenous	Dalit	Muslim	Electoral System					
			PR	PR	FPTP	FPTP	PR	PR	PR	PR	PR	FPTP	PR	PR						
Basanti Jha	F	52													1					
Bhrendra Paswan	M	47																		1
Chandra Bahadur Guring	M	53																		
Harka Bahadur Singh	M	52													1					
Hasena Miya	F	57																		1
Krishna Kumari Pariyar	F	41													1					
Lal Mani Chaudhary	M	44																		
Nazir Miya	M	56	1																	
Ram Rati Devi Ram	F	41																		
Sapana Mala Pradhan	F	43													1					1
Shanti Basnet (Adhikari)	F	47													1					
Sita Kumari Paudel	F	50		1																
Soniam Chejung Lama	F	52																		1
Sukdaiya Chaudhary	F	29													1					
Yashoda Devi Adhikari	F	47																		1

Note:

- CPN (UML) = Communist Party of Nepal (Unified Marxist-Leninist)
- CPN (Maoist) = Communist Party of Nepal (Maoist)
- NC = Nepali Congress
- TMLP = Terai Madhesh Loktrantik Party
- DIP = Dalit Janajati Party
- PR = Proportional Representation
- FPTP = First-Past-The-Post

Fig. 1 : Distribution of CA Elected Members by Sex

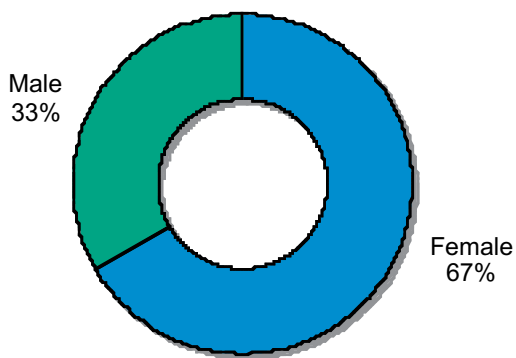


Fig. 2 : Distribution of CA Elected Members by Caste/Ethnicity

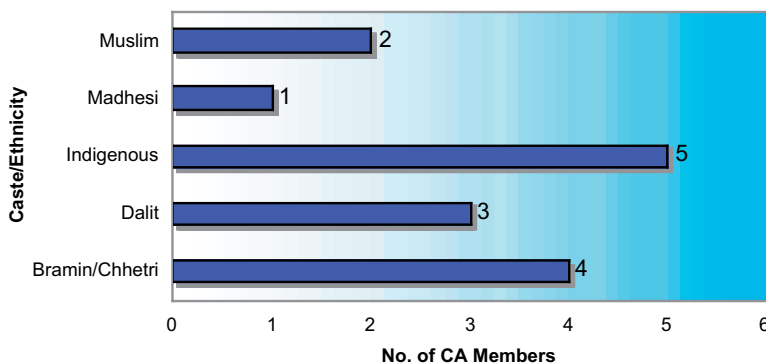


Fig. 3 : Distribution of CA Members by Electoral System

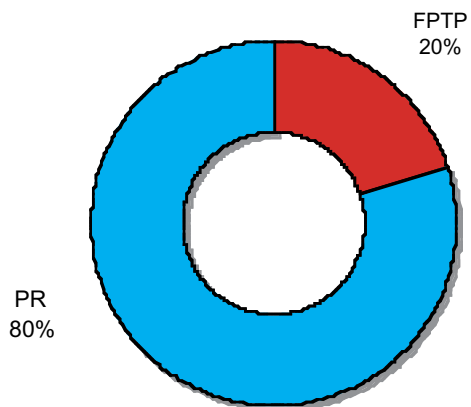


Fig. 4 : Distribution of CA Members by Political Party

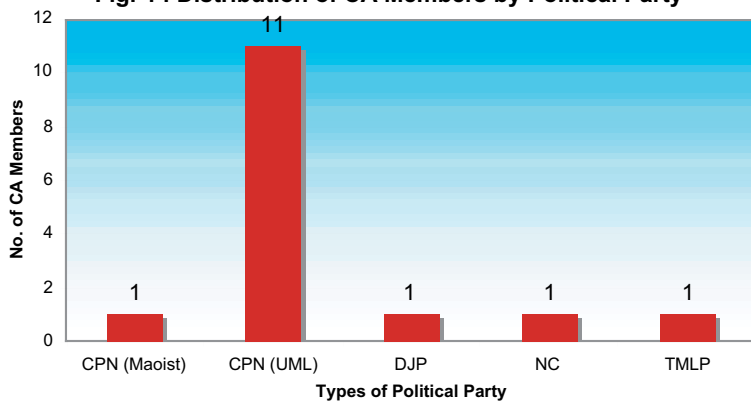
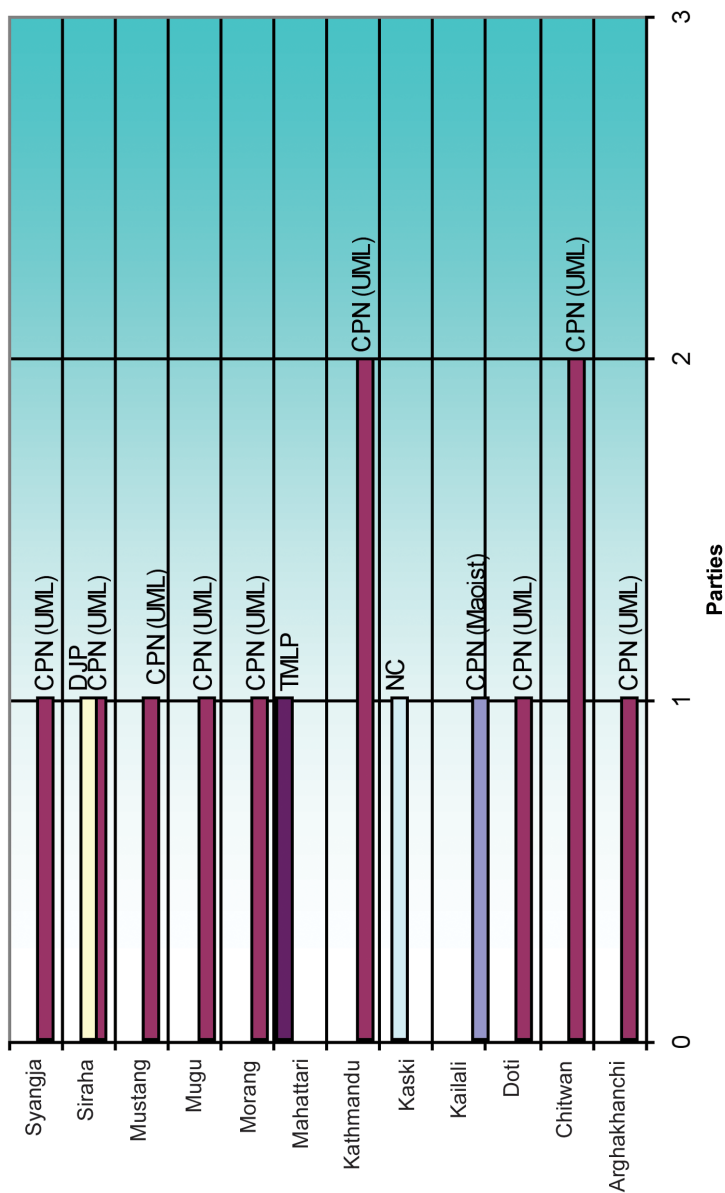


Fig.5: Distribution of CA Members by District and Party





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