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May Newsletter

During the month of May several meetings were held with Women Alliances and Organizations were held for the preparation of "Collective Campaign for Women's Proportionate Participation in Upcoming Election". Sankalpa also participated in protest for demanding fast track court in coordination with other women's networks. Sankalpa had a meeting with VSO UK director Ms Angela Salt on 7th May. Beside these meetings, the executive board meeting held on 2nd May set the agenda of Special Annual General Meeting. During the meeting it was agreed that Sankalpa should proceed with membership with GNWP which will also add value to Sankalpa for global advocacy and visibility. Two management committee meetings (14th May & 24th May) were held in this month to uphold the Sankalpa's operation. The Special General Meeting was held on 16th May at Chitlang to amend the institutional constitution of Sankalpa.

On 17th May a half day consultation meeting with board members and advisors was organized to finalize the draft of the communications strategy. Expert Binod Bhattarai and Raghu Mainali will incorporate the received comments and the revised strategy will be submitted to the executive board for their approval.

Beside that Sankalpa also had a meeting with a mission from Norad, Oslo on 22nd May. The mission was here to explore opportunities for implementing a gender and rights based approach to energy in Nepal. Sankalpa staff team also visited WHR office on 27th May. The staff team was inspired by the WHR success and was impressed by the work and effort of WHR team.

As per the request of the chair, a board meeting was organized on 28th May to have internal discussion to make "Collective Campaign for Women's Proportionate Participation in Upcoming Election" successful.

31st May - Collective Campaign for Women's Proportionate Participation in Upcoming Election

Sankalpa in coordination with fifty women Networks and Organizations working for women rights organized the "collective Campaign for Women's Proportionate participation in the Upcoming Election, in Academy Hall, Kamaladi Kathmandu on 30th May 2013. Women Networks and organizations organized this national campaign to ensure at least 33 percent of women are represented in the upcoming election of Constituent Assembly.

Chairman of Unified CPN (Maoist) and former prime minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal, Leader of Nepali Congress Dr Minendra Rijal, Vice Chairman of CPN UML Bamdev Gautam expressed their commitment towards ensuring 33% representation in upcoming election in the program. More that twelve hundred participants including representatives from INGO, donor communities, members of civil society, women rights activists, media persons were present during the campaign.





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