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OHCHR-Nepal investigating Dang, Surkhet killings; urges calm

OHCHR-Nepal deplores the violent deaths of at least 10 people in Surkhet and Dang districts on 8 and 9 April, and urges all parties to show restraint and avoid provocation at this crucial moment, and to focus on the holding of peaceful and fair elections for the Constituent Assembly.

OHCHR has initiated investigations into these events and has sent teams to both locations to monitor the situation, in coordination with UNMIN and NHRC.

“I urge the Government to establish an independent inquiry to investigate police firing that resulted in the deaths of eight CPN-M cadres in Dang on 8 April and of an individual in Surkhet on 9 April,” said OHCHR-Nepal Representative Richard Bennett. “My Office also calls for a swift and thorough investigation by police into the killing of a CPN-UML candidate in Surkhet on 8 April. The results of these investigations should be made public.”