

Pakyong residents sensitized on human rights



Dignitaries releasing booklets on universal declaration of human rights during the function. SE Pic

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PAKYONG, November 21: An awareness programme on human rights was held at community hall, Pakyong today. Organised by Sikkim Human Rights Commission (SHRC), the programme had Transport minister D.T. Lepcha as the chief guest.

Dignitaries present on the occasion were SHRC chairperson former Chief Justice N.K. Jain, former High Court judge Justice A.P. Subba. Sub-divisional officials, heads of schools and college, panchayats, local NGO members and the local public were in attendance at the programme.

The SHRC chairperson mentioned that the motive of organizing such programme is to aware people about human rights so that they can seek

justice in instances of human right violation. He observed that all natural rights are human rights and urged all the people present to peruse books on human rights.

Booklets on universal declaration of human rights and declaration on the rights and responsibility of individuals, groups and organs of society to promote and protect universally recognized human rights and fundamental freedoms were also released by the chief guest during the day. The booklets will also be published in Nepali language to reach out the general public, it was informed.

Minister D.T. Lepcha thanked SHRC for organizing the program in the area to generate awareness. He said Sikkim is the first State in whole northeast to establish

human rights commission though there is no violation of human rights. He said Sikkim government has given equal opportunities for the overall development.

Justice (retired) Subba in his address also elaborated on human rights which a person has got since his birth. He informed about human rights commission and laws of different countries, India and Sikkim State. He said only declaration of human rights is not enough but the agencies should implement in the right way.

Prof. Dr. Nidhi Saxena of Sikkim University elaborated on fundamental rights of human and rights to privacy like computer, mobile, prayers time, banks accounts etc.

Pakyong SDM Hemant Rai and SDPO P. Dewan also addressed the function.