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| Country/ entity | Nepal |
| Region | Asia and Pacific |
| Agreement name | 25-Point Ceasefire Code of Conduct Agreed between the Government of Nepal and SPN (Maoist) |
| Date | 25 May 2006 |
| Agreement status | Multiparty signed/agreed |
| Interim arrangement | Yes |
| Agreement/ conflict level | Intrastate/intrastate conflict (Nepalese Insurgency (1996 - 2006)) |
| Stage | Ceasefire/related |
| Conflict nature | Government |
| Peace process | Nepal peace process |
| Parties | On behalf of the CPN (Maoist) Coordinator: Krishna Bahadur Mahara On behalf of the Govt. of Nepal Coordinator: KrishnaPrasad Sitaula |
| Third parties | - |
| Description | A ceasefire code of conduct establishing rules for the two parties in which they agree to guarantee a fearless civilian life by avoiding engaging in any hostile military activity. They undertake to create a peaceful environment, refrain from using any hostile language, halt collecting any form of levy and to facilitate the functioning of essential services to the people. They also agree to release all prisoners, engage in further talks and to request for internationalPage monitoring of the ceasefire agreement. |

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Groups

Children/
youth No specific mention.

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| Disabled persons | No specific mention. |
| Elderly/age | No specific mention. |
| Migrant workers | No specific mention. |
| Racial/ethnic/national group | No specific mention. |
| Religious groups | No specific mention. |
| Indigenous people | No specific mention. |
| Other groups | No specific mention. |
| Refugees/displaced persons | Groups→Refugees/displaced persons→Rhetorical Page 3, Release and Rehabilitation, para 18: To assist to the displaced persons to return to their respective houses and on the act of peaceful, comfortable and dignifiedly rehabilitation thereof. |
| Social class | No specific mention. |

Gender

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| Women, girls and gender | No specific mention. |
| Men and boys | No specific mention. |

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| LGBTI | No specific mention. |
| Family | page 3, Release and Rehabilitation, para 19: To return the properties that are seized, locked up or prohibited to use during the conflict, of the leaders and the workers of political parties and public -in- general, to the concerned persons or families and to allow them to consume. To resolve the problems through the mutual agreement, this may arise while returning the properties |

State definition

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| Nature of state (general) | Page 1, preamble: ...Expressing commitment towards democratic values and norms, including a competitive multi-party system of governance, civil liberties, fundamental rights, human rights, press freedom and the concept of the rule of law; Guaranteeing the fundamental rights of the Nepali people to participate in the process of framing a constitution through participating in the election of constitution assembly without being influenced by any fear, threats, or violence; and Placing in centre the democracy, peace, prosperity, and progressive social change, and the independence, sovereignty, and dignity of the country;... |
| State configuration | No specific mention. |
| Self determination | No specific mention. |
| Referendum | No specific mention. |
| State symbols | No specific mention. |
| Independence/ secession | No specific mention. |
| Accession/ unification | No specific mention. |
| Border delimitation | No specific mention. |

Cross-border provision No specific mention.

Governance

Political institutions (new or reformed) No specific mention.

Elections Page 1, preamble: Guaranteeing the fundamental rights of the Nepali people to participate in the process of framing a constitution through participating in the election of constitution assembly without being influenced by any fear, threats, or violence;...

Electoral commission No specific mention.

Political parties reform No specific mention.

Civil society Page 2, Creating an environment of trust among the people, para 7: Not to make any hindrance and give any mental and physical pressure from either side to the workers of political parties and members of social organizations or individuals to disseminate their opinion, to conduct meetings and assemblies, to conduct the act of extending organizations through movement around any part of the country.

Page 3, Facilitating in the Negotiations, para 20: No hurdle or of any obstruction shall be created in the movement and activities of individuals of both the parties involving in the negotiations.

Traditional/religious leaders No specific mention.

Public administration No specific mention.

Constitution Governance→Constitution→Constitutional reform/making

Page 1, preamble: Guaranteeing the fundamental rights of the Nepali people to participate in the process of framing a constitution through participating in the election of constitution assembly without being influenced by any fear, threats, or violence;...

Power sharing

Political power sharing No specific mention.

Territorial power sharing No specific mention.

Economic power sharing No specific mention.

Military power sharing No specific mention.

Human rights and equality

Human rights/RoL general page 1, preamble;...Remaining committed towards the Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948, and the basic principles and norms concerning international humanitarian law and human rights;...
...Expressing commitment towards democratic values and norms, including a competitive multi-party system of governance, civil liberties, fundamental rights, human rights, press freedom and the concept of the rule of law; Guaranteeing the fundamental rights of the Nepali people to participate in the process of framing a constitution through participating in the election of constitution assembly without being influenced by any fear, threats, or violence; and

Bill of rights/similar No specific mention.

Treaty
incorporation

No specific mention.

Civil and
political
rights

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of movement
Page 2, Creating an environment of trust among the people, para 7: Not to make any hindrance and give any mental and physical pressure from either side to the workers of political parties and members of social organizations or individuals to disseminate their opinion, to conduct meetings and assemblies, to conduct the act of extending organizations through movement around any part of the country.

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Freedom of association
Page 3, Creating an environment of trust among the people, para 7: Not to make any hindrance and give any mental and physical pressure from either side to the workers of political parties and members of social organizations or individuals to disseminate their opinion, to conduct meetings and assemblies, to conduct the act of extending organizations through movement around any part of the country.

Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 8: No programs like general strike and transport strike shall be organized during the period of ceasefire. However, peaceful assemblies and processions may be organized.

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Vote and take part
page 1, preamble: ...Guaranteeing the fundamental rights of the Nepali people to participate in the process of framing a constitution through participating in the election of constitution assembly without being influenced by any fear, threats, or violence;...

Human rights and equality→Civil and political rights→Thought, opinion, conscience and religion

Page 2, Creating an environment of trust among the people, para 7: Not to make any hindrance and give any mental and physical pressure from either side to the workers of political parties and members of social organizations or individuals to disseminate their opinion, to conduct meetings and assemblies, to conduct the act of extending organizations through movement around any part of the country.

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| Socio-economic rights | <p>Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Health</p> <p>Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 11: No restriction imposed nor hindrance created transport food, medicines, development and construction materials and goods for daily consumption.</p> <p>Human rights and equality→Socio-economic rights→Adequate standard of living</p> <p>Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 11: No restriction imposed nor hindrance created transport food, medicines, development and construction materials and goods for daily consumption.</p> |
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Rights related issues

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| Citizenship | <p>Rights related issues→Citizenship→Citizen, general</p> <p>Page 2, Release and Rehabilitation, para 17: To disclose, as soon as possible, the whereabouts of the citizens who have been disappeared thereof.</p> |
| Democracy | <p>Page 1, Preamble: Respecting the popular mandate expressed through the historic people's movement in favor of full democracy, progress and peace;...Expressing commitment towards democratic values and norms, including a competitive multi-party system of governance, civil liberties, fundamental rights, human rights, press freedom and the concept of the rule of law;...Placing in centre the democracy, peace, prosperity, and progressive social change, and the independence, sovereignty, and dignity of the country...</p> |
| Detention procedures | <p>No specific mention.</p> |
| Media and communication | <p>Rights related issues→Media and communication→Media roles</p> <p>Page 1, preamble: ...Expressing commitment towards democratic values and norms, including a competitive multi-party system of governance, civil liberties, fundamental rights, human rights, press freedom and the concept of the rule of law;...</p> <p>Page 2, Support from media for the peace talks:</p> <p>13. To circulate information in favor of ceasefire, code of conduct, and while conducting to peace process and political dissemination use cultured and dignified language.</p> <p>14. No one shall express one's statement through media in a manner of having adverse impact to the negotiations and the peace process.</p> |

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| Mobility/ access | <p>Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 8: No programs like general strike and transport strike shall be organized during the period of ceasefire. However, peaceful assemblies and processions may be organized.</p> <p>Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 9: To allow the essential services and facilities to the people to be operated without any restriction.</p> <p>Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 11: No restriction imposed nor hindrance created transport food, medicines, development and construction materials and goods for daily consumption.</p> |
| Protection measures | No specific mention. |
| Other | No specific mention. |

Rights institutions

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| NHRI | No specific mention. |
| Regional or international human rights institutions | No specific mention. |

Justice sector reform

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| Criminal justice and emergency law | No specific mention. |
| State of emergency provisions | No specific mention. |

Judiciary and courts No specific mention.

Prisons and detention No specific mention.

Traditional Laws No specific mention.

Socio-economic reconstruction

Development or socio-economic reconstruction Socio-economic reconstruction→Development or socio-economic reconstruction→Socio-economic development
Page 2, On basic services to the people, the development and construction, para 10: Not to create any hindrance in peacefully carrying out the regular development works and other works for the interest of the people.

Page 2, Operation of educational institutions, Hospitals and industrial enterprises, para 12: To create an environment for the smooth operation of schools, colleges, universities, hospitals, health centers and industrial enterprises from both the sides.

National economic plan No specific mention.

Natural resources No specific mention.

International funds No specific mention.

Business No specific mention.

Taxation No specific mention.

Banks No specific mention.

Land, property and environment

Land reform/
rights No specific mention.

Pastoralist/
nomadism
rights No specific mention.

Cultural
heritage No specific mention.

Environment No specific mention.

Water or
riparian
rights or
access No specific mention.

Security sector

Security Guarantees Page 2, Ensuring a fearless civic life, para 3: Not to attack or commit disruptive acts in each other's military or security units, not to carry out actions like laying down land mines or setting up ambushes, not to recruit new people in their respective armies and not to spy.

Ceasefire Security sector→Ceasefire→Ceasefire provision
Code of conduct for ceasefire commenced on 26/05/2006. Ceasefire is presumed to be permanent.

The whole agreement provides for a ceasefire and its modalities.

Police No specific mention.

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| Armed forces | <p>Page 1, Ensuring a fearless civic life, para 2: Both the parties shall not mobilize, demonstrate or use their armed forces in a manner that may spread fear amongst the people -in-general.</p> <p>Page 1, Ensuring a fearless civic life, para 3: Not to attack or commit disruptive acts in each other's military or security units, not to carry out actions like laying down land mines or setting up ambushes, not to recruit new people in their respective armies and not to spy.</p> <p>Page 1, Ensuring a fearless civic life, para 5: Regarding the issue of management of arms and armies, the discussion and understanding will be continued on the basis of mutual consent.</p> <p>Page 1, Creating an environment of trust among the people, para 6: Both the parties will not participate in public meetings, conference or any other political activities in combat dresses or in possession of arms.</p> |
| DDR | No specific mention. |
| Intelligence services | Page 2, Ensuring a fearless civic life, para 3: Not to attack or commit disruptive acts in each other's military or security units, not to carry out actions like laying down land mines or setting up ambushes, not to recruit new people in their respective armies and not to spy. |
| Parastatal/ rebel and opposition group forces | No specific mention. |
| Withdrawal of foreign forces | No specific mention. |
| Corruption | Page 2, Not to collect donation and financial support forcefully, para 15: Not to collect or mobilize donation or financial support, in cash or in kinds or services against one's will. |
| Crime/ organised crime | No specific mention. |
| Drugs | No specific mention. |

Terrorism No specific mention.

Transitional justice

Transitional justice general No specific mention.

Amnesty/pardon Transitional justice→Amnesty/pardon→Amnesty/pardon proper
Page 2, Release and Rehabilitation, para 16: To withdraw the accusation, prosecution and cases induced against various individuals by both the parties and release the detainees gradually.

Courts No specific mention.

Mechanism No specific mention.

Prisoner release Page 2, Release and Rehabilitation, para 16: To withdraw the accusation, prosecution and cases induced against various individuals by both the parties and release the detainees gradually.

Vetting No specific mention.

Victims No specific mention.

Missing persons Page 2, Release and Rehabilitation, para 17: To disclose, as soon as possible, the whereabouts of the citizens who have been disappeared thereof.

Reparations Transitional justice→Reparations→Material reparations
Page 3, Release and Rehabilitation, para 19: To return the properties that are seized, locked up or prohibited to use during the conflict, of the leaders and the workers of political parties and public -in- general, to the concerned persons or families and to allow them to consume. To resolve the problems through the mutual agreement, this may arise while returning the properties

Reconciliation No specific mention.

Implementation

UN
signatory No specific mention.

Other
international
signatory No specific mention.

Referendum
for
agreement No specific mention.

International
mission/
force/similar Page 3, Monitoring, para 21: Monitor of ceasefire by national and international monitoring teams shall be caused to be done on the basis of mutual agreement between both the parties.

Enforcement
mechanism page 3, Monitoring, para 21: Monitor of ceasefire by national and international monitoring teams shall be caused to be done on the basis of mutual agreement between both the parties.

Page 3, Miscellaneous, para 22: If any dispute arises in the interpretation of this code of conduct, the problem shall be resolved through the agreement of both the parties.

Related
cases No specific mention.

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