



# Election Commission of Nepal

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## Call for international observers to observe "House of Representative and Provincial Election 2017" of Nepal

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Election Commission of Nepal (ECN) announces its call for submission of applications for the observation of "House of Representatives and Provincial Elections 2017" of Nepal no later than 30th September 2017. The terms and conditions for the application by international organizations/communities/individuals are as follows.

### 1. Background

The "House of Representatives and Provincial Election, 2017" is scheduled to be held on 26<sup>th</sup> November & 7<sup>th</sup> December 2017 in Nepal. The objectives of call for application are: to witness and observe the overall management of above elections and to contribute to conduct of elections in a free, fair and credible manner. Moreover, other objectives to call international organizations/communities are: to involve them in transparent electoral processes of Nepal and to develop and strengthen mutual relations with international organizations/communities in electoral management process in order to maintain the credibility of ECN.

### 2. Accreditation procedures for International Observers

This section contains the instructions and forms required to obtain accreditation for international observers of "House of Representatives and Provincial Elections, 2017 (2074)" of Nepal. Procedures below must be followed in order to obtain accreditation for your observation groups/organization/institution and the observers in the group/organization/institution.

#### 2.1 Application procedures for accreditation for the observer group:

- "Code of Conduct for International Observers" has already been approved by the Commission. Observer should carefully read the ECoC (to be downloaded from [www.election.gov.np](http://www.election.gov.np)) and ensure compliance of the provisions therein.
- Completed "Application form for Accreditation for International Observation" (to be available or in [www.election.gov.np](http://www.election.gov.np)) to the Observation Liaison Office (the Elections Observation Resource Centre) of the Election Commission Nepal should be submitted online.
- "Authorization Form for the Point of Contact" (enclosed) with one passport size photograph should be submitted with complete application form. This form will identify the person acting on behalf of the observer group with whom the Observation Liaison Office (the Elections Observation Resource Centre of ECN) will interact on observation matters. A copy of the person's valid passport should be attached herewith.

#### 2.2 Accreditation Requirements

- Applicant (Organizations/Communities/Individuals) should produce evidence of registration with the relevant authority of their own country
- Applicant (Organizations/Communities/Individuals) should have a working experience in the field of election, electoral process, money & politics and so on.
- All applicants (Organizations) should fully comply with the ECoC promulgated by the ECN.
- ECN shall not be responsible for accreditation of application if the information provided is wrong.
- Election Commission of Nepal fully deserves the right of accreditation.

#### 2.3 Terms and conditions for accreditation for the individual observers

Once the observation group itself has been accredited, the application for the individual observers can then be processed. The following documents should be submitted for each observer in order to be accredited as an observer.

- The completed "Declaration and Pledge of International Observer" form (enclosed) along with a passport size photograph and a copy of the passport.
- CV Certified by the concerned observation organization/institution.
- A copy of any publication related to election observation  
The stack of forms submitted must have a cover page on the observation group's letterhead along with the name of each observer and his/her nationality in the same sequence as enclosed in completed forms.
- Applicant can apply directly online on ([observer.election.gov.np](http://observer.election.gov.np)) (*For you kind information: application can be submitted after 5 days from the announcement of the notice*) and ECN will inform status of the application to the applicant. But, the applicant organization should submit hard copy evidence required to process accreditation. (A sample for the application can be downloaded from [www.election.gov.np](http://www.election.gov.np).)
- Group intended to mobilize their local staff (Nepali) also need to undergo the due process of accreditation.
- The individual applicant's application as an observer should be submitted at the same time as the observer group (See Step: 1) and have to wait until the group accreditation has been completed.
- Groups can make several submissions on behalf of individual observers if required.

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