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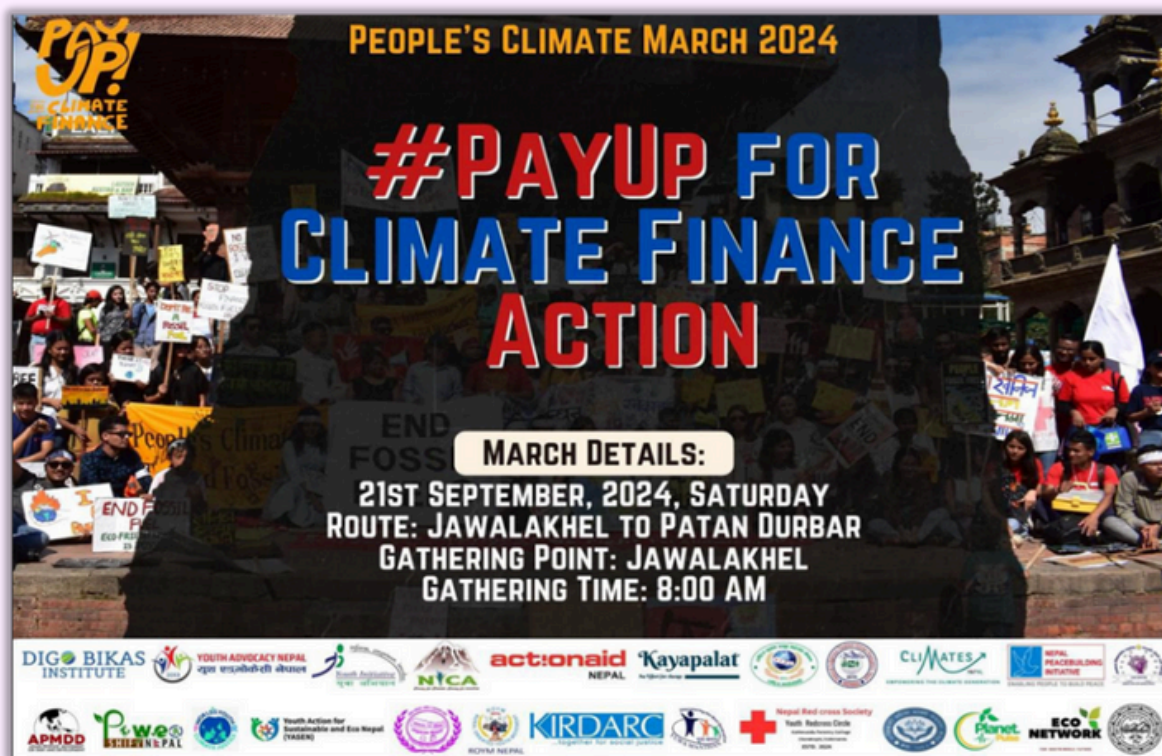
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On 21st September Jagaran Nepal was involved in organizing People's Climate March 2024 with the theme "Pay Up for Climate Finance Action". Jagaran Nepal with other civil society organizations, climate activists, differently-able groups, women, farmers, workers, and indigenous and marginalized groups gathered to demand immediate and decisive action on climate finance to priorities climate justice and equity leading up to COP-29 in Baku.

This action was geared towards drawing the attention of governments and leaders of Global North on the huge overdue bill that they have to pay to the countries of the Global South for their decades of inaction and

broken promises when it comes to climate action. Result of their inaction has deepened the gross inequalities and injustices endured by communities, economies, and ecosystems across the Global South. An estimated US\$5 trillion per year is the initial contribution that Global North needs to pay for a much larger debt owed to the Global South as downpayment for a just future.

Jagaran Nepal was part of the organizing committee for this action. The actions held two preparatory meetings leading up to the event in September 13th and 16th. Likewise, an art workshop was held on 19th and 20th September, in order to make the action more vibrant through visual

impact materials to effectively deliver the messages of the action. The workshop was focused towards making creative and informative banners, play-cards, message boards and slogans. A day before the event, on 20th September, a press meet was organized which detailed the intention of the action and called upon all citizens to join the People's Climate Mobilization - 2024 demanding countries of the global north to pay up

for climate finance in order to combat climate change while delivering climate justice. On the main event day, around 300 individuals representing various groups including civil society organizations, climate activists, differently-able groups, women, farmers, workers, and indigenous and marginalized communities marched from Jawalakhel to Patan Durbar demanding Global North nations to PAY-UP for Climate Action.

The People's Climate Mobilization 2024 demanded that Climate Finance meet the following principles:

- Climate finance should come from public, not private sources, to avoid profit-driven motives.
- Creation of new and additional climate finance should be prioritized, that go beyond current commitments like overseas development aid (ODA).
- Climate finance should be in the form of grants and not loans, as the Global South is already burdened with debt.
- Climate finance must be adequate, predictable, and timely to address urgent climate action needs.
- Climate finance should cover mitigation, adaptation, loss and damage, and just transition for affected communities.
- Distribution of funds must be transparent, accountable, and aligned with the Global South's priorities.



Art Workshop - People's Climate March (PCM) 2024



2nd Preparation Meeting – People's Climate March (PCM) 2024



Press Conference – People's Climate March (PCM) 2024



Activist gathered in Solidarity at Patan Durbar demanding
#PayUp for Climate Finance

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APMDD member Organization's Peaceful Demonstration at Maitighar, Kathmandu

Jagaran Nepal with other civil society organizations, activists and representatives of media were part of a peaceful gathering and demonstration program on 20th September at Maitighar, Kathmandu. The demonstration was organized in the preliminary days leading up-to the “Summit of the Future” convention which was held in New York City, USA, on September 22 and 23.

In light of the upcoming Climate Change Convention (COP-29) that is going to be held in Baku in mid-November 2024, whose decisions have the potential to have a severe impact on the development of small and least-developed countries including Nepal, the demonstration focused at pressuring the decision makers at both national and international levels

to decide on favorable policies with regards to climate change and climate finance that support the developing nations of the global south given the current level of climate crisis and its affect that developing countries are facing due climate induced events and disasters. The gathering was held to aware the government representatives to demand decision-makers to favor policies related to climate change that will address the issues of developing countries with regards to climate change so that all countries can have a just and equitable future.

As part of the demonstration, a memorandum was submitted to Minister of Finance, honorable Bishnu Poudel, that listed the demands and appeals of the demonstration.

Capacity Building workshop for Jagaran Nepal Members and Staff on Climate Change and its Surrounding Issues

Jagaran Nepal organized a one-day conceptual clarity workshop on climate change and its surrounding issues for its board members and staff in its office premises on August 27. The resource person for the workshop was Mr. Avishek Shrestha: Director of Climate Justice program at Digo Bikas Institute and Ms. Susmita Baidwar: Climate Justice Program Officer at Digo Bikas Institute.

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Jagaran Nepal, has been the championing the climate justice movement as we believe that gender justice is only possible when climate justice is taken into account. Thus, the conceptual clarity workshop was hosted in order to capacitate Jagaran Nepal members and staff on issues pertaining to climate change and climate justice movement in order to effectively advocate and lobby for gender friendly climate policies and to develop and execute activities that effectively address the disproportionate burden that climate change has on women.



"Mr. Avishek Shrestha from Digo Bikas Institute capacitating Jagaran Nepal members on issues concerning climate change"



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