



Embassy of the United States of America
Kathmandu, Nepal
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Demonstration Notice – May 2012

Various Nepali groups have announced that they intend to hold demonstrations ("bandhs" as they are referred to locally or other programs) during the month of May on the dates listed below in the run-up to the May 28, 2012 Constitutional deadline. These bandhs or other forms of demonstrations may or may not turn out to be effective. In the past, similar protests have been successful in shutting down transportation and businesses. There may also be other programs that take place that have not yet been announced or occur spontaneously.

We remind U.S. citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. U.S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations. U.S. citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

May Announced Demonstrations			
Date	Areas	Program	Districts
Indefinite	Far-Western	General Strike	Far-Western districts
8-May	Tarai districts	General Strike	Tarai districts
9-May	Nationwide	Torch Rally	Nationwide 75 districts
9-May	Nationwide	Torch Rally	Nationwide 75 districts
10-May	Tarai Gantaki & Dhaulagiri Zone	Bandh	Tarai, Gandaki & Dhaulagiri districts
10-11 May	Nationwide	General Strike	Nationwide 75 districts
12-May	Nationwide	Torch Rally	Nationwide 75 districts
13-May	Kathmandu Valley	Torch Rally	Kathmandu Valley
14-May	Kathmandu Valley	Peaceful Rally	Kathmandu Valley
14-16 May	Nationwide	Bandh	Nationwide 75 districts
18-19 May	Tarai	Bandh	East-West Tarai
21-27	CA Hall	Relay Hunger Strike	New Baneswor,

May			Kathmandu
30-May	Nationwide	Torch Rally	Nationwide 75 districts
31-May	Madhesh/Tarai	Bandh	Tarai districts

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Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the United States and Canada or, for callers in other areas by calling a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

Please monitor the local media for updates. English language local news is available on the following channels at the following times:

Nepal Television 8:00 am, 12:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 10:30 pm, 1:00 am

Kantipur Television 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:00 pm, 10:30 pm

News 24 10:00 am, 10:00 pm