

**South Asia State of Minorities Report 2016
Launch Programme**

***Friday 11 November 2016
Hotel Mirage Lords Inn, 310 Battisputali Road, Kathmandu***

10.00 am – 12.40 pm
(DRAFT)

10.00 – Welcome

10.05 – 10.20 – Introduction to the report by Dr. Sajjad Hassan (*Misaal* and Centre for Equity Studies, New Delhi)

10.20 – 11.00 – Contributions by South Asia Collective Authors: key country findings and recommendations

- *Nepal* – Deepak Thapa (Social Science Baha, Kathmandu)
- *Sri Lanka* – Dinushika Dissanayake (Law and Society Trust, Colombo)
- *Afghanistan* – Omar Sadr (Research Scholar, South Asia University, Kabul-Delhi)
- *Bangladesh* – Zakir Hossain (Nagorik Uddyog, Dhaka)
- *Pakistan* – Kashif Aslam (National Commission for Justice and Peace, Lahore)
- *India* – Sajjad Hassan (*Misaal*)

11.00 – 11.30 – Comments by discussants, including human rights activist Shantal Lal Mulmi (Resource Centre for Primary Health Care, Former General Secretary of the NGO Federation of Nepal)

11.30 – 11.55 – Q & A with report authors

11.55 – 12.00 – Conclusion

12.00 – 12.40 – Networking tea and snacks