**Action Works Nepal (AWON) proudly announces to nominate an individual for Miteri Ganga Devi Peace Award, 2019.**

The "**Miteri Ganga Devi Peace Award**" is founded by Ms. Radha Paudel, a peace leader, in the memory of her mother late **Ganga Maya Paudel** and her father **Mr. Devi Prasad Paudel,** who always inspires her to devote her life for poor and marginalized people. In September 2014, Radha's book "***Khalanga ma Hamala***" (Attack on Khalanga), as a war survivor was awarded by Madan Puraskar (Prize) 2070. On the occasion of International Peace Day, 21 September 2014, she announced this award from Khalanga, Jumla. She established this award by contributing 100% of the Madan Puraskar in order to honor community peace leaders every year: a woman and a man (from adult above 24 yrs) and a girl and boy (from 15-24 years) from across the country. The award will be announced each year on occasion of International Peace Day on 21 September.

This award is an honor to inspire the community peace leaders who are working for change and development, based in the communities, and role models and change makers, but often go unnoticed. Award winners are regarded as role models and peace leaders, so it is important that the award selection process recognize the achievements of individuals from diverse groups, communities and the impacts they have been able to make in development and peace culture of the society.

This award will encourage the community leaders to continue and advance their journey for and development in their community and also inspire youths to pursue similar path. This award aims to start a culture of peace where everyone can contribute; join together for peace irrespective of the region, religion, age, caste and ethnicity, and gender. This award is being provided every year on **International Peace Day (21st September) beginning from 2015.**

**Eligibility criteria for the nominees:**

* All nominees must be local natural leaders from the grassroots level. Although not identified for their works in the national level, they and their contribution to their communities must be valuable for peace and development.
* They must have inspiring stories behind their continuous journey for peace.
* They must have strong commitment to work for peace and demonstrate their useful ideas and learning to other communities.
* Nominees must be a citizen of Nepal.
* S/he must be working tirelessly and influencing the local communities for peace and development.
* Only individuals, and not teams, are eligible for this award.
* An individual may receive the award only once in their lifetime.
* Availability to attend the awards ceremony is not an eligibility requirement.

To nominate an individual for this award, please complete the form and send it along with a nomination letter and supporting materials by **15th September 2019** to [actionworksnepal.awon10@gmail.com](mailto:actionworksnepal.awon10@gmail.com)

Your nomination package must include the following:

1. ***Required:*** Signed Nomination Form,
2. ***Required:*** A resume/profile, action oriented photographs (at least three), 1-2 minute video **(if available**) and news coverage (**if available**) for the person being nominated.
3. ***Required :*** Letters of recommendation from some organization/network or respective local office
4. ***Optional:*** Any other supporting documentation which you feel is appropriate.
5. All nomination materials must be received by 15th September 2019 for consideration for this year's award.

All nominations will be acknowledged and will be documented for two years. A panel of judges will do intensive analysis and interviews as per the guidelines of **MGDP Award** and announce the winner by 21th September each year.