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'Nepal faces big financial burden'

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Experts have said the country will have to bear huge financial obligations as the draft constitution has ensured several rights for the citizens, but there has not been adequate discussions over the issue.

The draft, over which public opinion is being collected, has ensured the rights such as rights to free health and education, employment and food security, among others.

The experts pointed out the need for delivering the rights based on the state's ability. The state's obligations on sectors such as health and education should be based on its ability to provide such services and economic viability, said Former National Planning Commission Vice-Chairman



■ A handout photo shows participants at a programme organised by the SAWTEE in Kathmandu on Monday.

Shankar Sharma at an interaction organised by the South Asia Watch on Trade, Economics and Environment (SAWTEE) here on Monday.

Former Nepal Rastra Bank Governor Yuba Raj Khatriwada

said categorising "social security" under fundamental rights could pose an unlimited responsibility to the state coffers at the cost of capital formation.

SAWTEE Executive

Chairman Posh Raj Pandey stressed on the need for more discussion over financial liability to be created for putting various rights under fundamental rights, according to a SAWTWW statement.