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**Respected Chair,  
Distinguished Delegates,  
Brothers and Sisters,**

First of all, I would like to extend gratitude to ILO for organizing this important conference. On behalf of working class of Nepal, it is my privilege to address this important Conference as the President of Joint Trade Union Coordination Centre (JTUCC) Nepal.

At present, the workers are living a difficult life throughout the world. Due to the practice of hiring the temporary contract, outsourcing workers, there is no guaranteed job security for the workers. Moreover, millions of workers have lost their jobs due to the COVID pandemic and workers' livelihoods has become more challenging due to inflation, increased cost of living and lower wages while the richest of the world who own the largest business are got richer during the pandemic.

The Joint Trade Union Coordination Centre (JTUCC)- a common platform of the Nepali working class has been successful in ensuring the rights of workers in the new Constitution as well as to adopt the new labour law and social security act and scheme after a long struggle in Nepal. However these legislations have not been implemented effectively due to the lack of monitoring and awareness.

Informal labor practices have been increasing in the labor market due to which, the working class has been further oppressed. Conventions passed by the ILO - the Freedom of Association and other labor related conventions have not been ratified yet in many countries or are being infringed.

Poverty and unemployment are rising due to the lack of economic policies to increase investment in productive sectors such as agriculture and industry.

Decent work has not been ensured in the employment. Due to the increasing number of wars, conflicts and blockades in the world, human life is becoming more difficult. This has led to growing problems of production, employment and supply distribution, inflation, food crisis and famine. The problem of migrant workers in search of work has become more difficult with the increasing number of refugees who have been forced to leave their homeland due to war and conflict.

In this regard, I believe that this 110<sup>th</sup> Session of International Labour Conference (ILC) during 27 May- 11 June, 2022 in Geneva will be significant for the intense discussions and to adopt the conclusions in the interest of the workers. Strategies and programs for massive investment in the productive sector and expansion of employment should be promoted globally to overcome the vicious cycle of poverty, unemployment and deprivation. For this, governments and employers of every country need to make specific plans.

-Social security program as the following for workers should be implemented intensively.

- The plan to transform the informal economy into a formal economy should be put forward.
- The program under SDG goal should be effectively implemented.
- ILO conventions should be ratified, and for the effective implementation, campaigns should be conducted with special programs under monitoring in every country

In order to develop the ILO as an ideal international organization for all workers, it is necessary to make policy and structural reforms to develop it as a more inclusive, democratic representative of workers.

At the same time, I expect serious commitments from all the social partners to address these issues with effective social dialogues, solidarity and support in coming days.

I would like to thank ILO once again and wish for a grand success of this Conference.