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**Surendra Labh Karna** is a member of the National Planning Commission, Government of Nepal (GoN) since 18<sup>th</sup> Bhadra, 2078 (3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021). On account of his teaching background as a professor at R.R.M. Campus, Janakpur, Tribhuvan University, Nepal for about forty long years, he possesses strong academic background. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from B.R. Ambedkar University, India - 1995 AD.

The research carried out by Dr. Labh have brought practical impact in the related field. "Education and fertility and its role in fulfilling our Basic Needs", National Population Commission, Nepal, 1989 AD. ; "Manpower planning for Economic Development of a Developing Economy with Special Reference to Nepal" 1995 AD; "Community Forest in Nepal; socio-Economic Impact", 2068 BS; "Prospects and Problems of Religious Tourism, 2069 BS" are some sample of research accomplished by Prof. Surendra Labh.

Dr. Labh has supervised a number of dissertation research for Master's students. "Rural Income Distribution in Nepal"; "Deposit Mobilization of commercial Bank in Nepal"; "Population Problem in Nepal, causes and consequences" etc. are some sample of research supervised through Dr. Surendra Labh.

Before getting involved at Planning Commission, Dr. Labh has served as Board Member at Policy Research Institute (PRI), Think Tank, Government of Nepal from (2018-2021) AD. Besides, he has also served as Head of Department of Economics, T.U., R.R.M. Campus, Janakpur, from (2010-2017) AD.

Earlier, he has worked as consultant at Conflict Prevention Programme (CPP), United Nation Development Programme (UNDP), Kathmandu from (2012-2018) AD. Apart from these, he has shown his far-reaching presence as a Board Member at Alliance for Social Dialogue (ASD), Kathmandu, from (2009-2019) AD. He also had chaired National Council for Public Awareness and Development, Nepal at 1996 AD.

During his teaching period, he was membered through various positions at various committees. He not only served as Member at Strategic Plan Preparation Committee, Rajarshi Janak University, Nepal (2019-2021) AD but also as a Founder member of Western Nepal Research Center, Nepal (1980 AD).

He had shown his creativity through various publications. "Public finance", "Minimum Basic Needs and Seventh plan", "Population Situation of Nepal", "Rastriya Budget ko Tarjuma Ra Karyanwayan Prakriya", "Business Economics" etc. are some sample of his Publications. In addition to these, he also has contributed in the field of media being an Editor, Convener, Columnist etc. Besides these, he has shown penmanship in Maithili Literature. "Narakpalika", a book of satire collection; "Katha Yatra", a book of story collection in Maithili etc. have been his beautiful compositions.

He was born in JanakpurDham, Dhanusha, Nepal, and attended schooling in his hometown. Critical thinking on economic issues of Nepal, contributing in mitigation of poor economy and creative writing on burning issues have been some areas of his interests.