HUMAN RIGHTS NORMS REFLECTED IN THE CONSTITUTION OF INDIA

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ABSTRACT

Human rights are the inherent rights given to every individual solely because they are human, without considering their race, nationality, or social standing. These rights include freedoms such as privacy and life. Governments must follow the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) to ensure the protection of these basic rights, particularly individual liberty. The Indian Constitution contains numerous provisions related to human rights. This paper discusses how the Indian Constitution protects people's rights to freedom and preserves these liberties.

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INTRODUCTION:

Human rights are the privileges that each individual has because of their introduction to the world. Since this large number of freedoms have a place with everybody, paying little heed to rank, statement of faith, religion, sex, or ethnicity, Human privileges are critical for individuals since they permit them to arrive at their maximum capacity and carry on with useful lives while additionally giving adequate conditions like moral, social, and otherworldly prosperity. As per the Human Rights Act of 1993, basic liberties are characterized as "the freedoms identifying with life, freedom, equity, and poise of the individual ensured by the constitution or reflected in worldwide agreements and enforceable by Indian courts."

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Human rights cannot be harmed without a serious breach of justice.¹ It affects human dignity. Human dignity, as per India's Supreme Court, is the zenith of basic liberties, as per J.S. verma.² Human rights are those that are needed for the security and conservation of individuals' human pride, just as the formation of conditions in which every individual can completely foster their character. As per the assertion of the 1993 World Conference on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, all common liberties originate from the respect and worth intrinsic in the human individual, and the human individual is the fundamental subject of human rights and crucial opportunities.³

In any case, the accompanying advances in the field of human rights under the United Nations framework exhibit that there are two kinds of basic liberties.

Civil and political rights

Civil rights allude to the security of one's whole right to life and personal liberty. The right to security, the right to property, the option to claim property, and the independence from torment and brutal or corrupting treatment are instances of such privileges. These freedoms are vital for a person to carry on with an honorable presence.

Political rights are those that license a person to take part in government decisions. Eg: to participate in voting rights and to participate in leading the pack of public endeavor.

¹Macurie cranton quoted, in L.J Macfarlane, The Theory and Practice of Human Rights(1995), p.7

² The new universe of human rights p.3

³ Dr. H.O Agarwal, Human rights 3 (12th ed., 2010).

Economic, social and cultural rights

Economic social and cultural rights depend essentially on the idea of social uniformity. These privileges incorporate the right to satisfactory food, clothing, lodging, and sufficient way of life and independence from hunger, right to work, right to government managed retirement, right to physical and emotional well-being. These privileges are remembered for the global contract on monetary, social, and social freedoms. Human rights are not a general idea. European idea created it in the eighteenth and nineteenth hundreds of years. At the point when social contentions arise between people, the center movements to the government assistance of society, and the idea of basic liberties is set up by the notable savants Hobbs, Lock, and Russo. As indicated by Hobbs, there ought to be an agreement between them to stay away from individual debates. Subsequently, the common agreement hypothesis enters the scene. Lock totally dismissed the government and set up the idea of regular privileges. He additionally asserted that a parliament is needed to execute enactment. As per Russo, the state is a manmade element.

The objective of human rights law is to shield people against the overabundances of the public authority and the state. A state is committed under worldwide basic freedoms law to cease hurting its own country or some other individual inside its regional ward. A portion of these privileges is alluded to as central freedoms since they are ensured by sacred shields. The announcement of a resident's key privileges is cherished in individuals' unavoidable freedoms. An individual on the right track to dissent and guarantee his right to the state is ensured by the constitution. The need for human rights insurance has arisen because of states' unyielding extension in command over man's activities, which can't be switched.

On 10 Dec 1948 goal of UDHR was passed by the overall get-together. UDHR announces a typical norm of accomplishment for all individuals and countries.

Development of Human rights in India

The set of experiences and improvement of human rights in India are isolated into three sections old, archaic, and current.

Old

In India, the concept of human rights has a long history, rooted in philosophical ideas such as natural law and natural rights. These principles are reflected in ancient texts of various

traditions, including Buddhism, Jainism, Hinduism, and Greek philosophy. For instance, Hindu scriptures like the Gita, Vedas, Arthasatra, and Dharmashastra, as well as the teachings of Buddhist and Jain scholars, emphasize the equality of all individuals under a universal law of nature.

Similarly, Roman legal thought and the works of philosophers like St. Thomas Aquinas also stress the inherent equality and freedom of all individuals. The Greeks, too, valued concepts like freedom of speech, equality before the law, the right to vote and hold public office, trade freely, and access justice equally. These ideas are believed to have their origins in the Greco-Roman natural law doctrine of stoicism, which emphasized a universal order governing all creation and advocated for human conduct to be guided by this natural law.

Archaic

Muslim rulers, for example, Akbar and Jahangir were moreover respected for their obligation to freedoms and equity. They set a high worth on friendly, strict, and political privileges. In his strict strategy, he spread the word about a purposeful work to make an approach as Din-E-IIahi, in which he endeavored to spread secularism and strict resilience. Essentially, numerous strict developments, for example, Bhakti and Sufi were established to add to the development of common liberties. In any case, because of the appearance of Mughals like as Babar, Humayun, and Aurangzeb, individuals were exposed to extreme infringement of different freedoms all through this period.

Current

During the advanced period, the Britishers were administering. They had not just denied the Indian individuals of their freedoms and autonomy all through this period, yet they had additionally crushed India monetarily, strategically, socially, and profoundly.

In the wake of seeing all of this, individuals understood that the freedoms they were given upon entering the world are not basic and are fundamental for acculturated life. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, B.N. Rau, K.T. Shah, Harman Singh, K.M Munshi, and the Congress master bunch made a rundown of fundamental privileges on January 24, 1947. There were a couple of corrections proposed. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights envelops both major privileges and the order rule of state strategy. Basic freedoms research shows that the constitution cherishes

essentially every one of the basic liberties ensured by various global shows, agreements, and settlements, including:

- Universal declaration of human rights Act, 1948
- Convention the rights of persons with disabilities, 2006.
- International convention on economic, social and cultural rights, 1976
- International; convention on civil and political rights, 1976

Human rights under the constitution of India

The Indian constitution was drafted as the United Nations General Assembly was discussing the UDHR; subsequently, the idea of human rights impacted the constitution's creators. It reveres the all-inclusive guideline of human rights and establishes out the frameworks for building up a government assistance state. The constituent get-together of India sanctioned the Indian constitution on November 26, 1949. The constitution of India contains the principal structure and guarantees the singular's pride. The UDHR is very like the central freedoms and order rule of state strategy. The government assistance state thought is epitomized by the coordinating rule of state strategy, while essential freedoms defend residents against state interruption. The two of them should be perused all the while to be viewed as human rights. In **Keshwanand Bharti v. State of Kerla**⁵ the Supreme Court expressed that while the Universal Declaration of Human Rights is certainly not a legitimately enforceable report, it exhibits how India saw common liberties at the time the constitution was sanctioned. Despite the fact that the Supreme Court presumed that the decree doesn't make a bunch of lawful laws, it empowers authoritative activity.

India's constitution is a game-evolving record.⁶ Its arrangements give the standards of organization, privileges, and legislative power impediments.⁷ The essential objective is to concede social and monetary freedoms. The constitution's soul is compromised, especially by the mandate rule of state strategy and basic freedoms. The significant goal is to advance social, financial, and individual freedoms, just as international human rights standards. The constitution of India fills in as the system for human rights. The public authority instituted the

⁴ Aruna Roy v. Union of India, (2002) 7 S.C.C. 368(secularism); state of Rajasthan v. union of India,(1977)3 S.C.C 592 (Federalism).

⁵ Keshwanand Bharti v.State of Kerala, AIR 1973 SC 1461, at 1510.

⁶ Nick Robinson, "Expanding Judiciaries: India and the Rise of the Good Governance Court," 8 Wash. U. Global Stud. L. Rev. 1, 4 (2009).

⁷ Granville Austin, The Indian Constitution: Comerstone of Nation(Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1996), 56.

Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, fully intent on shielding basic liberties. The two of them are respected public-level basic liberties insurance instruments in India.

Nature and contents of fundamental rights and directive principle of state policy

Fundamental rights:-

Part III of the constitution encapsulates the attributes of a popularity-based state. These are against state privileges. The state can't sanction enactment that limits or dispenses with any of the resident's major freedoms. The best cures conceded by our constitution are writs of habeas corpus, mandamus, prohibition, quo warraranto, and certiorari. Essential privileges are not unalienable. Certain limitations apply just in uncommon conditions, and the assurances managed by articles 21 and 20 are explicitly expressed to be non-derogable (art. 359). as per Article 4 of the ICCPR and Article 19 ensures opportunities that are dependent upon sensible impediments set up avoided enactment managing explicit spaces of more extensive interests. The legal executive will be the sole authority of judiciousness.

The right has been conceded in essential freedoms, and the legal executive will survey this. It is the safeguard of central freedoms, which are preeminent, holy, supernatural, holy, and unalienable. Residents' privileges are ensured by key freedoms. Article 32 gives a cure that is a key right and is under the Supreme Court's original jurisdiction. Article 226 additionally gives the capacity to the high court. The constitution's entire being is Article 32. It was named the sentinel on the qui vive by the Supreme Court. Article 142 enables the high court to give whatever orders are important to finish equity for the situation; article 141 specifies that the high court's choices are required on all. All specialists are needed under Article 144 to help the most elevated court. The high court is engaged by the constitution to ensure common freedoms in light of the fact that the constitution's essential worth is individual dignity. The constitution's goal is to ensure individuals' fundamental basic liberties. Some common liberties are remembered for part III (Art 14 to 32). The right to equity is canvassed in Articles 14 to 18. Article 19 of the Constitution ensures six crucial opportunities: the right to speak freely of discourse and articulation, serene get together, the opportunity of affiliation, opportunity of development, opportunity of home, occupation, exchange, and business. And under Article 20

⁸ A.K Gopalan v. State of Madaras, AIR 1950 SC 27.

⁹State of Madras v. Champakam Dorairanjan, AIR 1951 SC 226.

¹⁰Govind v State of M.P, AIR 1975SC 1378.

¹¹ Smt. Ujjam Bai v. State of U.P AIR1961 SC 1621.

in regard to conviction for offenses. The right to life and individual freedom is secured under Article 21. Article 22 shields from discretionary detainment. Article 23 forbids dealing with individuals and constrained work. Article 24 forbids the abuse of youngsters. Articles 25 to 28 provide the right to religion. Article 29 to 30 discussions about social and instructive freedoms. Article 32 ensures all individuals the option to move the high court for the implementation of the essential privileges of India.

The Supreme Court is deciphering international conventions and norms to widen the degree of basic liberties secured by the Indian constitution. In the public law solution for the requirement of essential freedoms, the possibility of sovereign resistance has been held unimportant. (Nilabati Behera, AIR 1993 SC 3011).¹² This is the fundamental reason for allowing speedy impermanent help under area 18(3) of the Human Rights Act of 1993. The judicial process of public interest litigation has been exceptionally helpful for the insurance of human rights, and the Supreme Court has changed the standard of locus standi to permit any open energetic individual, social exercises, and association to carry an issue of public interest to the court, as long as it is real and not by a meddler.

Directive principle of state policy:-

Classification of directive principle of state policy:

First category, social and economic charter

Article 38 and 39 encapsulate distributive equity, the idea of distributive equity eliminating disparities from society. In **Air India, Statutory Corporation v. Joined Labor Union,**¹³ a three-judge seat of the Supreme Court has clarified the idea of civil rights in Art. 38 as follows: The idea of civil rights depends on the development and advancement of each resident. Civil rights is a wonder to fix individuals who are denied their privileges. The point of civil rights is to accomplish a significant level of social, financial, and political balance.

Secondly, based on the Gandhian principle the state should find ways to inspire the cultural interest to advance monetary social and social interest to the more fragile segment and ought to shield them from social injustice and exploitation.

¹² Nilabati Behera v. State of Orrisa, AIR 1993 SC 3011.

¹³ AIR India Statutory Corporation v. United Labour Union, 1992 1 SSC 695.

Third category based on the welfare principle it guarantees the government assistance of the residents, appropriately, the obligation to increase the expectation residing and improvement of wellbeing, arrangement for youth care and schooling to underneath the age of six years, advancement of the monetary interest of the more vulnerable area, residing compensation for laborers, satisfy to get for residents a uniform civil code all through the domain of India, assurance of developments and spots an objects of public significance.

Fourth category based on international principle article 51 gives states ought to endeavor to advance worldwide harmony and security, keep a decent connection among countries, and urge discretion to determine the question between the countries.

The goal is innate in article 51 of the constitution which provides a course to carry out the insurance of the human rights Act, 1993. The demonstration gives, public common liberties commission and the court needs to concern the developing basic freedoms in the nation and abroad.

Last category based on conservation of Nature: - the state should secure and defend the woodland and untamed life. Article 49, will be the commitment of the state to secure each mountain or spot or object of creative and notable interest. The points and goals of the directive principle of the state policy are to get the interest of the resident and advance the government assistance of individuals and achieve economic democracy.

Extent of human rights norms incorporated under the constitution of India

The discussion of human rights standards incorporated into the Indian constitution or not starts with common and political privileges, trailed by friendly, monetary, and social freedoms as illustrated in the UDHR, ICESCR, ICCPR, and the Indian constitution. The contract's importance comes from the way that it perceived individuals' on the right track to self-assurance and the nobility of the person. It is the state's liability to show these freedoms.

Covenant on civil and political rights

The Covenant on Civil and Political Rights is separated into six sections and involves 53 articles. The initial three sections portray various privileges and opportunities, while the last three sections depict the methodology for instituting these freedoms. The right to life and individual freedom is tended to in Article 3 of the UDHR and Article 6 of the ICCPR. The ICCPR gives unavoidable privileges that can't be removed subjectively. On the off chance that

somebody has been condemned to death; they can apply for exculpation or drive off their sentence. Most vitally, the age component should be viewed as while forcing capital punishment; assuming that the individual is younger than 18, capital punishment won't be forced, and it won't be done on pregnant ladies. ¹⁴ Article 21 of India's constitution confirms the right to life and personal liberty. Likewise, while articles 72 and 161 of the constitution ensure acquittal and abatement of discipline, they don't secure those younger than 18 or pregnant ladies, as the ICCPR does. Slavery and forced labour are ensured in all structures under Article 4¹⁵ of the UDHR, while privileges against subjection and the slave exchange are secured under Article 8 of the ICCPR. The disallowance of illegal exploitation and constrained work is revered in Article 23 of our constitution. Bondage or subjugation is a term that shows up in the International Bill of Human Rights however doesn't show up in our Indian constitution.

The UDHR's Article 7 ensures equity under the watchful eye of the law and equivalent insurance under the law. ¹⁶ These privileges are likewise secured under Article 26 of the ICCPR, which specifies that separation based on religion, race, position, sex, language, identity, property, birth, social beginning, or other status is restricted. Articles 14 and 15 of our constitution examine correspondence under the watchful eye of the law, equivalent assurance under the law, and the right against segregation.

Article 8 of the UDHR sets up a solution for privileges requirements. These freedoms are perceived as an obligation of all state parties under Article 3(a) of the ICCPR. Articles 32 and 226 of our constitution permit us to move the Supreme Court and the high court to implement crucial privileges.

Article 9 of the UDHR ensures security from subjective confinement.¹⁷ Article 9 of the ICCPR, like the UDHR, states that everybody has the privilege to freedom and security of the individual and that nobody will be exposed to subjective capture or detainment and that nobody will be denied of life or individual freedom with the exception of the technique set up by law. Furthermore, anyone who is kept should be informed of the reason for his capture and any charges brought against him at the hour of his capture or detainment. It expresses that anybody captured or confined on a criminal accusation should be brought under the watchful eye of an adjudicator or other official approved by law to practice legal power straightaway and should

¹⁴ International covenant on civil and political rights (1966), art. 6

¹⁵ The universal Declaration of human rights Act, art. 4

¹⁶ The universal Declaration of human Rights Act, art.7

¹⁷ The universal declaration of human Rights Act, art. 9

be given a reasonable preliminary or be delivered. People anticipating preliminary will not be held in guardianship when in doubt, despite the fact that delivery might be restrictive on assurances of appearance for preliminary, at some other phase of the legitimate methodology, and, if vital, for the execution of the judgment. Moreover, each and every individual who has been the subject of an unlawful capture or detainment has an enforceable case to pay, as per the text. Articles 21 and 22 of our constitution ensure the option to be liberated from selfassertive confinement. everybody accused of a criminal offense has the option to be expected blameless except if demonstrated liable as indicated by law in a public preliminary in which he has had every one of the assurances fundamental for his safeguard, as per article 11 of the UDHR statement (1). Provision (2) expresses that nobody will be considered liable for any criminal demonstration or oversight that didn't comprise a criminal demonstration under public or worldwide law at the time it was perpetrated. No punishment might be forced that is more noteworthy than the one essentially at the time the criminal offense was carried out. 18 as indicated by paras 2 and 3 of Article 14 of the ICCPR, any individual accused of a criminal offense has the privilege to be assumed honest until demonstrated liable as per law, and everybody will be qualified for the accompanying least certifications, in full correspondence, in the assurance of any criminal accusation (a) to be educated regarding the nature and reason for the charge against him quickly and in full in a language that he gets; (b) to have adequate time and assets for the readiness of his guard, just as the capacity to interface with insight fitting his personal preference; (c) to be attempted right away (d) to be attempted in his essence (e) to analyze, or have inspected, the observer against him and to acquire the participation and assessment of observer for his benefit under similar conditions as observers against him (f) to have the free help of a translator in case he cannot comprehend or communicate in the language utilized in a court; and (g) not to be constrained to affirm against himself or to admit blameworthy. As per article 14 of the ICCPR, nobody will be attempted or rebuffed for a similar offense for which he has as of now been attempted. There is no arrangement in India's constitution for the option to be considered honest until demonstrated liable. The supreme court of India held in the State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram Vishnu Dutta¹⁹ India's punitive laws is basically established on two center procedural qualities: the right to a reasonable preliminary and the assumption of honesty. An individual is assumed honest until demonstrated blameworthy, and when viewed not very much liable of a criminal allegation, he is qualified

¹⁸ The universal declaration of human rights Act, art.11

¹⁹ State of Rajasthan v. Shera Ram Vishnu Dutta, (2012) 1 SSC 602.

to help that supposition, which may just be upset all things considered. Article 20 of our constitution alludes to the second provision of Article 11 of the UDHR, which specifies that nobody can be rebuffed twice for a similar wrongdoing.

Everybody has the privilege to the opportunity of development and home, as indicated by Article 13 of the UDHR. Article 12 of the ICCPR additionally expresses that the freedoms ensured by it are unaffected by limitations except if they are needed to defend public request or harmony. Our constitution awards opportunity of development and home in Article 19 (1) (d) and (e),²⁰ however not the option to leave the country.

Article 17 of the UDHR accommodates an option to claim property alone just as in relationship with others. Yet, under ICCPR it isn't perceived. Yet, in India under Article 300(a) guarantees the right to property. Prior it was a crucial right however presently it is an established right.

Everybody has the option to opportunity of religion, thought, still, small voice, confidence, and love, as indicated by article 18 of the UDHR. Article 18 of the 1CCPR additionally makes reference to it. Moreover, under article 27 of the ICCPR, ethnic, strict, and phonetic minorities reserve the option to partake in their own way of life, purport and practice their own religion, and communicate in their own language. Articles 25 through 28 of the Indian constitution perceive opportunity of religion, assessment, conviction, confidence, and love.²¹

The right to the right to speak freely of discourse and articulation is ensured by Article 19 of the UDHR and the ICCPR. Article 19 (a) of our constitution ensures the right to the right to speak freely of discourse and articulation, in any case, there are a few special cases, like the interest of India's power or respectability, the security of the state, etc.

The previous freedoms, as expressed in the pledge and the UDHR, are not outright. To keep everything under control and serenity, there are sure limitations. It ought to be featured that a pledge is a legitimately enforceable arrangement, and states should make whatever strides are important inside their homegrown ward to give impact to the agreement's freedoms.

Convention on economic social and cultural rights

There are 31 articles in the global show on financial, social, and social privileges, which are isolated into five sections. It identifies with the right of people groups to self-assurance, which

²⁰ Indian Const. art. 19 (1)(d) & (e).

²¹ Indian Const. art. 25 to 28.

is referenced in the United Nations Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. Also, make the promises of the contract's signatories.

All individuals are conceived free and have equivalent pride and privileges, as per article 1 of the UDHR. This article centers on the fraternity soul. Article 51A (e)²² of the constitution additionally advances solidarity and the sensation of divided fellowship among all Indians.

As per Article 2 of the ICESCR, each state party consents to embrace steps, both exclusively and through global help, that is established on the rule of non-segregation. In the happiness regarding monetary, social, and social privileges, people have equivalent freedoms under Article 3 of the ICESCR. The possibility of non-segregation is moreover cherished in Article $38(2)^{23}$ of the constitution.

The option to work is secured by Article 6 of the ICESCR. Likewise, Article 41²⁴ of India's constitution ensures the option to work inside the restrictions of the country's financial potential and development. Equivalent compensation for equivalent work is ensured by Article 7 of the ICSCER. It guarantees that all laborers get a base installment that is comparable with their work. Article 39²⁵ of India's constitution perceives this. The option to frame worker's organizations is ensured by Article 8 of the ICSCER. This right advances and helps individuals in propelling their financial and social interests, as expressed in Article 19(1) (C) of the Indian Constitution.

Everybody has the option to federal retirement aide, as per Article 9 of the ICESCR. Likewise, the laws in India identifying with (1) laborers state Insurance Act, 1948, and (2) employees provident funds and miscellaneous provision Act, 1952 are referred to in article 38 of our constitution. (3) The 1923 Workmen's Compensation Act, (4) the Maternity Benefits Act of 1961, and (5) the Gratuity Payment Act of 1972.

The mother will be ensured exceptional assurance prior and then afterward labor, as per Article 10 of the ICSCER. Paid leave or leave with appropriate federal retirement aide advantages ought to be given to moms. Moreover, as per Article 11 of the ICSCER, everybody has the

²² Indian Const. art. 51A(e)

²³ Indian Const. art.38(2)

²⁴ Indian Const. art. 41

²⁵ Indian Const. art. 39

privilege to a respectable nature of living. These privileges are additionally perceived in Article 43²⁶ of the constitution.

Article 12 of the ICESCR says that everyone has right to physical and psychological well-

being. The public authority should find ways to advance youngster improvement and shield

natural and modern cleanliness. Articles 47 and 48-A of the Indian Constitution show that the

state is liable for keeping general wellbeing and control, just as giving a perfect climate to

individuals.

Article 13 of the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights (ICESCR)

provides that everybody has the right to free essential instruction. Article 26(1) of the ICESCR

likewise addresses the right to instruction, expressing that fundamental schooling ought to be

free and necessary and that expert and specialized training ought to be equivalent and

legitimacy based. Articles 41, 45, and 21A of our constitution perceive the right to schooling.²⁷

As indicated by Article 15 of the ICESCR, everybody has the privilege to take part in social

life to benefit from logical progression and its application. It additionally expresses that the

state should find ways to advance the headway of science and culture.²⁸ Article 51A of the

Indian constitution perceives these privileges in clause (e), (f), (h), and (j).

The meaning of the pledge is that it perceived all individuals from the human family have

innate respect and equivalent and unavoidable privileges, which is the foundation of human

opportunity, equity, and harmony on the planet. States have an obligation to give these

privileges to people since they come from the inherent nobility of the human individual and

are additionally essential for the improvement of one's character.

Conclusion

The two covenants are a foundation of India's constitution. The two pledges expound on the

privileges revered in India's constitution. as a type of essential privileges, social, financial, and

social freedoms, and as a state strategy order Although certain privileges set out in the

constitution and under the Human Rights Act vary, the constitution tries to the UDHR and has

incorporated specific common and political freedoms as major privileges just as monetary,

²⁶Indian Const. art. 43.

²⁷ INDIAN CONST art. 41, 45, 21A ²⁸ INDIAN CONST. art. 51A cl. e, f, h, j.

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social, and social freedoms as state strategy mandate standards. Individual human respect is defended by the Protection of Human Rights Act.