

One Day National Seminar

In the Memory of Beloved *Professor O. P. Chauhan*

On

Human Rights Centric Approach

(Prospects and Challenges)

Organized by

Faculty of Law
Himachal Pradesh University,
Summerhill, Shimla-171005 (INDIA)

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ABOUT HIMACHAL PRADESH UNIVERSITY

The Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla came into existence in July, 1970 through Himachal Pradesh University Act, 1970. Though it does encompass the challenges and limitation of hill University, it nevertheless stands apart from the rest in academic accomplishments. It has a beautiful campus spread over 200 acres. The University is surrounded by a panoramic view of nature having snow laden mountains, thick deep forests growing oak, pine and soul winning deodar trees. The University is one of

the leading affiliating – cum- residential Universities in India, catering to the needs of more than 1.50 lac student. It enjoys the National and International repute.

ABOUT FACULTY OF LAW

The Department of Laws came into existence in 1970 when the University was established. Initially it was housed in D.A.V. School, Middle Bazar. Later it was shifted to Ava Lodge, Chaura Maidan where it remained functional for some years. The Department was relocated in the University campus in 1984 and finally shifted to its own building in 1993. Since its inception the department has been actively engaged in imparting legal education, training and legal research benefiting to the students desirous of pursuing their career in law. The Department has a distinction of producing best Professionals, Statesmen and officers rendering useful service to the Nation. Its Alumni include Judges of High Courts, Union Cabinet Ministers, State Cabinet Ministers, Senior Bureaucrats, Police Officers, officers of subordinate Judiciary, Law officers, Civil Servants and members of the legal Profession. Law graduates from this Department are serving all over the country in the District Courts, High Courts and Supreme Court

ABOUT THE NATIONAL SEMINAR

The theme of Human Rights is one of paramount significance and enduring relevance in contemporary society. It serves as the cornerstone for fostering equality, justice, and dignity for all individuals. As we gather at this National Conference, we come together to develop into the multifaceted dimensions of Human Rights and explore ways to ensure their Universal protection and promotion.

The concept of Human Rights has evolved over centuries, stemming from ancient civilizations' moral and ethical codes. However, it was after the atrocities of World War II that the International community took decisive steps to establish a comprehensive framework for safeguarding Human Rights. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) adopted by the United Nations in 1948 stands as a landmark document, outlining the inalienable rights to which every human being is inherently entitled. At the heart of the theme lies the principle of human dignity. Human Rights acknowledge the intrinsic worth of every individual, regardless of their race, gender, religion, or Socio-economic background. The recognition of this inherent dignity underpins all Human Rights and justifies the demand for equal treatment and opportunities for all.

Despite significant progress, Human Rights continue to face numerous challenges. In various parts of the world, people endure discrimination, violence, and systematic oppression. Armed conflicts, poverty, and environmental degradation further exacerbate the vulnerability of marginalized communities. Inequitable access to education, healthcare, and justice systems impedes the realization of Human Rights for millions. To uphold the theme of Human Rights, it is imperative to prioritize the Rights of vulnerable groups. Women, Children, Refugees, LGBTQ+, and persons with disabilities are among those requiring special attention and protection. Addressing their unique challenges demands comprehensive policies, legal reforms, and societal support to create inclusive and just environments. In a Democratic set up the Governments bear the primary responsibility for ensuring Human Rights protection within their jurisdictions. It is crucial for Nations to adopt and implement Legislation in line with International

Human Rights standards. Furthermore, Civil Society plays a vital role in monitoring Human Rights Violations, advocating for change, and empowering affected individuals to claim their rights.

Keeping in view the development of this millennium, education and awareness form crucial pillars in promoting Human Rights. Empowering individuals with knowledge about their rights fosters a culture of accountability and respect for human dignity. Educational institutions, media, and grassroots organizations must collaborate to disseminate Human Rights education, promoting a culture that respects diversity and values human life. To strengthen Human Rights protection, it is essential to combat impunity effectively. Perpetrators of Human Rights abuses must be held accountable through impartial and fair legal systems. This requires Independent Judiciaries, efficient law enforcement, and International cooperation in cases of cross-border violations.

The theme of this National Seminar acknowledges that Human Rights remains a continuous and evolving journey towards a more just and humane society. As we engage in discussions and deliberations during this National Seminar, let us reiterate the Constitutional Commitments to upholding human right(s) for all. Let us recognize that the protection of Human Rights is not just a legal obligation but a moral imperative that reflects our shared humanity. By working together, we can build a world where every individual's inherent dignity is respected, and their rights are safeguarded, ensuring a brighter and more equitable future for generations to come.

Objectives of the Seminar:

The seminar aims to raise awareness about Human Rights among students, legal Professionals, policymakers, and the stakeholders. The seminar will provide a platform for legal scholars, experts, and students to present research papers, case studies, and findings related to Human Rights. By encouraging academic engagement, the seminar aims to contribute to the advancement of knowledge and discourse in the field of Human Rights law. The event seeks to facilitate open and constructive dialogue on various Human Rights issues, challenges, and best practices. By bringing together diverse perspectives and experiences, the seminar aims to create conducive environment for meaningful discussions and exchange of ideas. Moreover, the seminar focuses on addressing emerging challenges to Human Rights in the context of evolving societal, technological, and political landscapes. By examining contemporary issues such as digital rights, climate justice, and social inequality, the event aims to explore innovative solutions to protect Human Rights in a rapidly changing world.

The event provides an opportunity for networking and collaboration among legal Professionals, researchers, NGOs, and policymakers. By connecting individuals and organizations working in the field of Human Rights, the seminar aims to foster partnerships and collective efforts towards promoting and protecting Human Rights. The seminar seeks to sensitize participants to the lived experiences of individuals facing Human Rights violations. The seminar endeavours to highlight successful initiatives, programs, and best practices related to Human Rights protection and promotion. By discussing legislative reforms and Judicial precedents, the event aims to contribute to the development of a robust Legal system that upholds and safeguards Human Rights for all. Overall, the National Seminar on Human Rights organized by the Faculty of Law aims to create a transformative impact by fostering a culture of respect for Human Rights, promoting inclusivity, and empowering individuals to become proactive advocates for a just and equitable society.

Sub Theme(s) of the Seminar:

- Conceptual Evolution of HR through various Declarations/Conventions;
- Role of HR to respect, protect and promote the Human Rights;
- HR and Right to Education;
- HR and Religious and Cultural Rights;
- Impact of HR on Social, Cultural and Economic developments;
- Human Rights Education as a tool in managing diversity;
- HR as unifying moral force for Uniform Civil Code;
- HR and Fundamental Freedoms;
- HR and Gender Equality;
- Dispensation of HR to effectively combat the existing ills of extremism, terrorism and violence
- Responsibility of Government to promote HR;
- HR and National Education Curricula;
- HR and Good (Integrated) Governance;
- Invisible components of HR and Innovative Role of Indian Judiciary;
- HR as a starting point for formulation of holistic and coherent Laws;
- Role of HR in tackling current global challenges;
- Good HR practices and innovative tactics to achieve SD goals Indicators of HR impact;
- HR as a promoter of Gender Justice with special reference to women victims (Women prisoners, women labourers in organised and unorganised sectors);
- HR and Problems of Refugees;
- HR, Civic space and democracy;
- Democracy and HR;
- Right to Participate and the Electoral Process;
- Digital Space and Human Rights;
- HR and Freedom of Assembly & association;
- HR and Freedom of expression & opinion;
- HR and Educational & cultural rights;
- HR and Health;
- HR and Poverty, the Right to food & Social Protection;
- HR and Sustainable Development;
- Freedom of religion;
- HR of LGBTQ+ people;
- HR and Migration;
- HR of Minorities;
- HR of Aged persons;
- HR of Persons with disabilities;
- Law enforcement mechanism;
- Death penalty;
- Slavery Terrorism and violence or,
- any other co-related sub-theme...

Deadlines for the Submission of the Paper

Participants are requested to submit abstract on or before **30th August, 2023** through email id: **seminarhr2023@gmail.com**. The manuscripts will be reviewed by review panel. The decision of the reviewers will be final and binding. The decision of the reviewers on the acceptability of the paper will be intimated by **10st September, 2023** through email only. The Soft copies may be sent to the above mentioned email. The paper must be submitted to the faculty on or before **23rd September, 2023**. The schedule will be strictly followed. The organizers will not be able to entertain any requests for extension of the deadlines. The details of the Seminar are also available on the Himachal Pradesh University Website: www.hpuniv.nic.in

IMPORTANT DATES

Submission of Abstract and Paper: 30th August, 2023

Confirmation of Acceptance of the Paper: 10st September, 2023

Submission of Final Paper for Circulation: 23rd September, 2023

Format

Abstract of paper should be within 500 words and submitted by person/postal/e-mail in both hard and soft copy. Paper and abstract should be typed in A4 size paper, font Size 12, font type “New Times Roman”, 1.5 spacing in MS word and ILI Rules for footnoting. Please don't forget to mention your Name, Designation, e-mail, Institution/ Department and contact number(s).

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Accommodation

Limited modest accommodation is available for out-station delegates attending the seminar. Therefore, while we will try our best to accommodate all the delegates, we cannot guarantee accommodation. However, faculty House Accommodation can be arranged on request made well in time and will have to be paid for separately by the delegate.

Local Hospitality

Lunch and refreshments (snacks and tea/coffee) during the One Day of the Seminar will be provided by the organizers. The delegates are expected to take care of any additional expenditure incurred by them.

Climate in Shimla

During Sep-Oct, it is generally pleasant in Shimla. However, if it rains, it will be generally cooler and will require warm clothes. So delegates are advised to bring warm clothes with them.

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Google Form Link for Registration

<https://forms.gle/WHPJx9FPNCwK4ymD8>

- i) Registration may be done by sending money to **Convenor, National Seminar through UPI numbers mentioned in Google form Link.**
- ii) Registration may be done by paying **cash** at Registration Counter on 30th September 2023
- iii) **Registration fee:**

Faculty Members/Advocates/others (Single):	Rs. 600/-
Joint Presenters:	Rs 850/-
Research Scholars/Students :	Rs. 400/-
Joint Paper by Research Scholars	Rs 650/-

Last date for Registration: 26th September, 2023

Registration form:

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Whether presenting paper: Yes/No

Title of the Paper:

Details of Payment Registration Fee amount:

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Signature of Participant

Signature of the Head/Dean/Principal

EDITED BOOK ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS

CALL FOR PAPERS & SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Your submission should include the following:

- a) Fill the Registration form: <https://forms.gle/WHPJx9FPNCwK4ymD8>
- b) Body of the Manuscript should be in TIMES NEW ROMAN, Font size 12 and in 1.5 line spacing. The END NOTES/ REFERENCES must conform to APA and should be in TIMES New ROMAN font size 10 and in single line spacing.
- c) WORD LIMIT: 2500 to 5000 including endnote/ references and abstract.
- d) All submission must be accompanied by an ABSTRACT not exceeding 300 to 500 words.
- e) Joint submission of two co-authors is allowed.
- f) All submission should be accompanied by Cover letter mentioning; Title, Abstract, Full name of author/authors, email address, mobile number.
- g) Email the manuscript to Convener seminarhr2023@gmail.com
- h) The subject of the email should be SUBMISSION REFORMATIVE APPROACH
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Selection Process:

- a) The manuscript should have zero Plagiarism.
- b) Plagiarism check through **Urkund** or other **authorized software**
- c) Number of Articles accepted for publication (*Maximum number 25 and minimum number 10*)
- d) Decision on acceptance and rejection will be communicated within Five Days of the submission.