

HUMAN RIGHTS VIS-A-VIS JUDICIARY

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The national webinar was hosted by CG3, a platform for connecting the Governed Governing and the Governance and the Global Tribune in the august presence of Justice (Retd) Kurian Joseph, Supreme Court of India, Dr. Manoj Kumar Sinha, Director Indian Law Institute, Mr. Saji Narayanan, Advocate, Former President, (BMS) Mr. Dibakar Kundu Editor in Chief at Global Tribune and other distinguished dignitaries. Mr. Girish Kumar welcomed all the esteemed guests at the virtual dias. Mr. Dipankar Kundu on behalf of the Global Tribune extended an all hearted welcome to the dignitaries.

Dr. KP Kylasanatha Pillay Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India , being the mentor to CG3 delivered the welcome address and gave an overall view of the topic. He said that human rights are elastic nowadays and anybody can use it for the redressal of their grievances. Vocal negative human rights are apparent nowadays but propagating positive human rights is the need of the hour. In the current pandemic, the interest of the clerks of advocates, court

registry people, middle class advocates are facing the heat of the situation. Government is always lagging behind in the redressal of these human rights.

Justice (Retd) Kurian Joseph inaugurated the seminar and expressed that humans beings have inherent, inalienable, indivisible rights. They are to be respected and protected by the judiciary. He quoted Nelson Mandela” To deny the people their human right is to challenge their humanity”. No human right courts in the district levels are seriously taken up the trial for the enforcement of the human rights in exercise of its power under Section 30 of the Act. He also emphasised the difference between noise and voice whereas the former can be regulated and latter cannot be suppressed and the suppression of voice is a human right violation. We are blessed to have an independent judiciary where the country is ruled by the rule of law.

Dr. Manoj Kumar Sinha, Director Indian Law Institute delivered the key note address and enlightened us on the fact that though not many states except three states have established human right courts but power has been given to the Hon’ble Chief Justice of each state to create these courts. NHRC is yet to codify the jurisdiction of these courts. He emphasised on the fact that protection is the key word for human rights as to who will protect them. If the state fails then the

courts by an effective remedy sets the wrong right by its inherent jurisdiction. He also discussed about the series of cases wherein Hon'ble Apex Court has defined the human rights.

Mr. Saji Narayanan, Advocate, (Former President, (BMS) gave a special address in the webinar and shared that human rights jurisprudence is based on foreign background. In Indian perspective rights and duties are comprised together. Substantive changes have not taken place in this aspect though essential changes are to be taken care of. He also emphasised that judicial review has played a vital role in evolving the mechanism of human rights. Recently, Supreme Court has laid down the foundation of constitutional morality but it should not be limited to the courts debate but also be the part of public parlance.

Dr. VL Mony, Director and Dean, School of Law, Hindustan Institute of Technology, Chennai proposed a vote of thanks to the august gathering.

Mr. Girish Kumar, Advocate, Supreme Court of India compered the virtual webinar in a most effective way. The webinar was attended by lawyers, senior advocates, law students and many other intellectuals from various sections.

