

**The Human Rights Studies Programme, School of
International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University
(Delhi) and the Indian Law Institute (Delhi)**

are organizing a Seminar on

Revisiting Human Rights Commitments

Venue: The Indian Law Institute

Date: 13th March, 2023

10.00 am- 5.00 pm

Concept Note

Revisiting Human Rights Commitments

Human rights are essential to a civilized society, and international treaties play a crucial role in promoting and protecting these rights. The nine core human rights treaties, including the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), and Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), among others, provide a framework for the protection of human rights globally. With the adoption of new mechanisms, such as inquiry procedures, and addressing more contemporary issues, such as climate change, deportation, and LGBTQ rights, the need to re-evaluate the human rights commitments of States and other actors are strongly felt. More so, it is the need to seriously consider whether treaty commitments have been turned into strong measures and, if not, what challenges exist.

Revisiting human rights commitments is a dynamic exercise that informs legal and policy reforms, highlights implementation gaps, tests existing approaches to problems, and sheds light on unaddressed issues. Reviewing these commitments can lead to updating provisions, addressing implementation gaps, strengthening monitoring mechanisms, and enhancing state responses toward promoting and protecting the rights of these communities. Revisiting the conventions can also lead to more robust monitoring mechanisms and enhance state obligations towards marginalized communities. Additionally, it can bring to light common concerns, best practices, and strategies for human rights, particularly in conflict-affected regions. With the changing times and new challenges, it is essential to keep these commitments relevant and effective.

In light of these objectives, the Human Rights Studies Programme, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, and the Indian Law Institute are organizing a Seminar on **Revisiting Human Rights Commitments** on 13th March 2023. The Seminar is being coordinated by Professor Anuragdeep (ILI) and Dr. Deepa Kansra (HRSP, SIS, JNU) and will include paper presentations from students and research scholars under the guidance of faculty experts. The Seminar will have two sessions:

Session I on *Revisiting Human Rights Commitments: The Indian Context*

Session II on *Revisiting Human Rights Commitments: The International Context*

GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPANTS

Submission of Abstract: 25th February, 2023

Communication regarding Acceptance of Abstract: 3rd March, 2023

Submission of Full Paper: 10th March, 2023

Note:

- Abstracts submitted after the date of submission will not be considered for the Seminar.
- Word limit for abstract is 250-350 words.
- Full papers to be submitted in accordance with ILI Citation Style with a word limit of 3000-5000 words.
- Selected papers only will be considered for publication in the Special Issue of ILI Law Review.
- Send details including affiliation, contact information (email & mobile) along with abstract.

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