

National Human Rights Consultation Submission

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Submission Text:

A New reality New Solutions !

Implementation of the "National Human rights ACT" in Australia on the lines of Universal Declaration of Human rights which accepts 30 rights will be a good start.

In addition to those universal rights which may form the foundation and guiding principles in the form of ACT for any organization or governmental policy at home from all political spectrum and may act as building blocks to strengthen existing Australian values system on human rights.

As our justice system is first class, Introduction of ACT will simply provide means to uphold those values.

As we move forward with new realities and new challenges globally, in addition to 30 rights mentioned above, I would like to point out how events globally present challenges to certain segment of Australians and how human rights issues can surface in Australia if ignored for long period of time.

Let's analyse scenario below to see how right to work to support family or Article 10, Article 11, Article 12, Article 13 and Article 23 under Universal Declaration of Human rights have potential to be compromised if there is no representation in the form of ACT to protect those rights.

Scenario to see how events may contribute to work right for certain Australians:

1. Occurrence of unfortunate events overseas.
2. Foreign lobbying groups may provide feedback to their governments and in return those experts and leaderships may provide feedback to our government.
3. Wide spread media coverage and viewership forming opinions not knowing the origin of the story to see whether it is speculative or factual. You would agree that a common person does not have time to research the facts; they normally believe what they see.
4. Opinions are formed. Good will is decreased for certain segment.
5. Creating trust deficit and raising suspicion about certain segment of Australians.
6. Right to work is effected when there is trust deficit or suspicion about certain people just by understanding human psychology without even going to the stage of statistics.
7. Decreased social participation is witnesses from this segment.
8. Social isolation pockets start to form and take its roots.
9. From there we have seen, how other problem can occur and rights start to get effected as mentioned in those articles above.

At the end of the day, it affects all of us; even we don't see it directly.

Solution

A. In my opinion, introduction of Human rights ACT which may include additional clauses to see how social fabric of Australia can be protected and analysing those factors which may cause cracks e.gs authenticity of News, Local policy for Australians.

B. The best approach would be to protect our own national interests by understanding our own requirements, needs and our people. No foreign experts please. After all we don't want to repeat the mistakes of some of our friends have made, and now making u-turn.

It takes long time to heal social fabric once cracked. Preventive approach would be much better than reactive one.

My sincere thanks to this initiative.

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