

INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS OBSERVER

PROGRESS REPORT



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NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS 1998-2024





AN INTRODUCTION

International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) is a NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations since 2011 and anindependent, non-profitable, non-political, and non-governmental human rights organization. It was registered under social welfare act 1961in 2002 in Pakistan.

IHRO is a human rights advocacy, research, monitoring, training and development organization and working together with Government, United Nations and other institutions to promote and protect the basic fundamental human rights of the masses declared in the universal charter of human rights of United Nations and other human rights institutions including constitution of Pakistan to build a global village of lasting peace, social, and economic justice and development for the 21st century.

MAJOR OBJECTIVES

- Through Human Rights Education it creates consciousness with respect of right and liabilities among individuals.
- IHRO works for the implementation of Universal declaration of Human Rights and other related chartered covenant and protocols by Pakistan.
- IHRO takes necessary action in preventing Human Rights Violation and provide aid and assistance including legal aid to victims of Human Rights violations to Individuals and Groups striving to protect Human Rights.
- It receives and investigates reported and unreported cases and allegation of Human Rights violations and recommending appropriate action to the concerned authorities.
- It co-operates with National and international organizations, groups and individuals engaged in promoting human rights and to participate in meeting and conferences on Human Rights at home and in abroad.

IHRO is achieving its objectives through following practical programs.

- 4 Advocacy and Awareness Programs
- **4** Training and Capacity Building Program
- **4** Human Rights Monitoring and Documentation Unit
- **4** Research and Publication Unit [RPU]

It has biggest 73000 volunteer's network across the country including AJK and Gilgit -Baltistan province.

NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

IHRO GRANTED SPECIAL UN ECOSOC CONSULTATIVE STATUS IN 2011



International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) is one of those National Human Rights organizations in Pakistan registered under Social welfare Act 1961 and was granted Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations 2011 after hard struggle and efforts in the area of human rights. It was great achievement of any Pakistani organization to get the UN ECOSOC status and save the image of Pakistan on the floor of the United Nations against the enemies of the country on many fronts of human rights.



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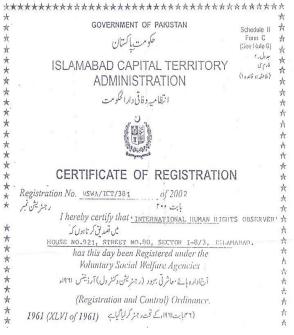
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 Dear NGO Representative,
 Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to grant Special consultative status to your organization "International Human Rights Observer", On behalf of all staff of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, please accept our heartfelt congranulations.

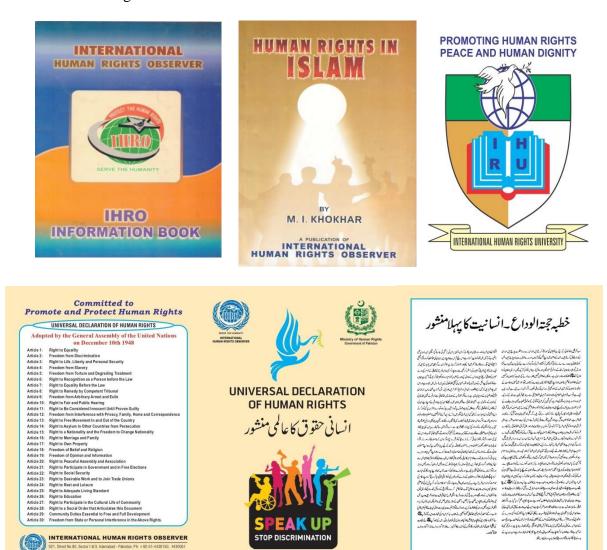
Consultative status for an organization enables it to actively engage with ECOSOC and its subsidiary bodies, as well as with the United Nations Secretariat, programmes, funds and agencies in a number of ways. In order to better understand this relationship, we take this opportunity to provide some critical information about the **privileges** that consultative status with ECOSOC confers on your organization, as well as the **obligations** that your organization will be required to meet under this relationship. We therefore urge you to take the time to carefully review the information we have **provided below**.



NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY **PROGRAM SINCE 2002**

IHRO as a human rights advocacy, research, monitoring, training and development organization started its National Human Rights advocacy Program with the support of its own philanthropists and volunteers and spread it in the all the corner of the country through different campaigns including advocacy conferences, seminars and distribution of printed human rights material. It published two books in that period which played a vital role for advocacy in the society on human rights

1- IHRO Human Rights Information Book



2- Human Rights in Islam

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25 Years of Struggle for Human Rights

STOP DISCRIMINATION

HUMAN RIGHTS DAY 2010

Peoples Movement for Human Rights 2005:

IHRO started people's movement for human rights in 2005 and established 5000 network in the country for the realization of human rights on grass root level. It was great achievement of IHRO to reach the people on gross root level to address their basic human rights. It was first great achievement of the organization and which is still working effectively in Pakistan.





NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION PROGRAM SINCE 2005

IHRO believes from the day of its inspection that development of Human Rights is not possible without proper human rights education on public and institution level. Therefore IHRO decided to study the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education (1995-2004) and decided to adopt the United Nations World Program which was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly's resolution 59/113 on 10 December 2004. IHRO started its **National Human Rights Program** which is still going on since 2005. IHRO designed different mechanism and standards to advance the implementation of human rights education programs. There are 2500 Teachers of school, colleges and universities and 3000 Youth 500 community and NGO leaders and Journalists including officers of Law Enforcement were trained up to now which are working as Leaders of Change in the society.



Pakistan Institute for Human Rights Research and Teaching

IHRO established its "Pakistan Institute for Human Rights Research and Teaching" to facilitate different training programs to continue its National Human Rights Education Program. This institute is working now days online after Pandemic COVID-19. This institute is following the fourth phase of the UN World Program on Human Rights Education after participating in the First, Second and Third Phase of the Human Rights Education Program,

- World Program for Human Rights Education: Plan of Action, First Phase (2005 2009)
- World Program for Human Rights Education: Plan of Action, Second Phase (2010-2014)
- World Program for Human Rights Education: Plan of Action, Third Phase (2015-2019)
- World Program for Human Rights Education: Plan of Action, Fourth Phase (2020-2024)



ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS UNIVERSITY

INTRODUCTION INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS UNIVERSITY



The International Human Rights University (IHRU) is a project of International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) which enjoys Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and an independent, non-profitable, non-political, and nongovernmental registered human rights organization working since 1996. IHRO is a human rights advocacy, research, monitoring, training and development organization and working together with Governments, United Nations and other institutions to promote and protect the basic fundamental human rights of the masses declared in the universal charter of human rights of United Nations and other human

rights institutions including constitution of Pakistan to build a global village of lasting peace, social, and economic justice and development for the 21st century.

It has large committed human rights defenders and advocates network in Pakistan as well as in 25 countries of the world. It was founded by Dr Khalid Pervaiz Sulehri and his few committed friends in Islamabad-Pakistan. International Human Rights University (IHRU) is an institution of higher education dedicated to the study of Human Rights Created by International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) through its resolution 0112/2010 passed in its General Council Session on 14th August 2010 in Islamabad. This unique proposal was added in the manifesto of IHRO at the time of application for membership to the United Nations ECOSOC Council in 2003 and was accepted including the idea to establish International Human Rights University in Pakistan.

It will be a unique national and global academic institution through its Master's and Doctoral degree and other programmes and will train future leaders to explore and formulate strategies and practices in various contexts to address the causes of multiple problems of human rights affecting human and global wellbeing, and thus contribute to the processes of peacekeeping, peace building and Sustainable development for the promotion an protection of human rights. This noble project of IHRO will empower, transform and cultivate critical thinking on human rights in its students.

The project is in progress and under consultation process on national and international level.

HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCACY THROUIGH CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS SINCE 1999

24th National annual Human Rights Conference 2024



Participants and Speakers of the

23rd National Human Rights Conference 2023 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2023

23rd National annual Human Rights Conference 2023



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23rd National Human Rights Conference 2023 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2023



Volunteers of the

22nd National Human Rights Conference 2022 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2022

21st National annual Human Rights Conference 2021 (conducted online due to Covid-19)

20th National annual Human Rights Conference 2020



Participants of the

20th National Human Rights Conference 2020 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2020

19th National annual Human rights Conference 2019



Speakers of the

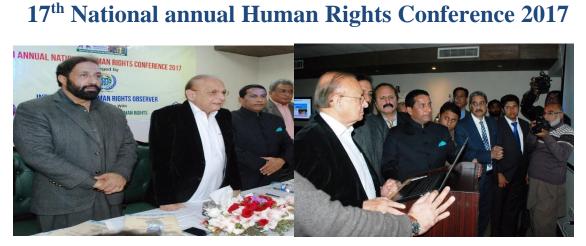
19th National Human Rights Conference 2019 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2019

18th National annual Human Rights Conference 2018



Speakers and Participant of the

18th National Human Rights Conference 2018 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2018



Speakers and Participant of the

17th National Human Rights Conference 2017 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2017



16th National annual Human Rights Conference 2016

Speakers and Participant of the

16th National Human Rights Conference 2016 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2016

15th National annual Human Rights Conference 2015



Speakers of the

15th National Human Rights Conference 2015 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2015

14th National annual Human Rights Conference 2014



اسلام آباد: انٹرنیشنل ہیومین رائٹس آبز رور کے زیراہتمام ہیومین رائٹس ڈے کے موقع پر سیمینار سے سینیڑ حاجی عدیل ،ایم این اے جی جی جمال ،ڈ اکٹر خالد آفتاب سلہری ،عبد اللہ گل ، تکیینہ خان ، جسا لک ،غضنفر مہدی اور دیگر خطاب کررہے ہیں





11th National annual Human Rights Conference 2011







Public, government collaboration sought to uphold human rights By Mahtab Bashir

ISLAMABAD: Islam defends and advocates human rights and offers best solution for all human rights issues, said participants at the 10th annual national human rights conference at local hotel

300 participants from government, civil society and media organisations attended the conference, which was organised by International Human Rights Observer (IHRO), working in collaboration with United Nations. The messages of President Asif Ali

Zardari, Prime Minister Yusuf Raza Gilani and UN Sceretary-General Ban Ki-moon on International Human Rights Day were read on the occasion. Zardari's message noted, "Our faith Islam also teaches us deep respect for rights of all human beings and upholds eternal values of equal rights, justice and peace".

Whereas, the Gilani's message recalled, "Human Rights as mentioned in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights have emanated from the basic principles of Islam, enshrined in the last



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was "Human Rights Defenders" to act t end discrimination. Chief Guest, Farzana Raja (MNA)

Support Programme said, "discrimination at any level increases disparity." She believed that human rights defenders who combat against discrimination took us towards democracy, peace and brotherhood.

"True freedom fighters are the representatives of the common man", and Pakistanis fight two wars, terror and poverty side by side, she added. Chair of the conference, Minister for Human Richts Sved Mumtaz Alam

Gilam highlighted the role of governmer to guard human rights in the country. "Instead of discriminating people idge people and communities of the reful," stressed Drahim Khan, Jamat-tami Parliamentarian. He also stressed at on the basis of the true teaching of am, we could achieve gools of peace d equality all over the world. Haji Adeel of ANP highlighted that mocracy and equal rights work hand hand hence all agencies should work collaboration to achieve the goal of

Chairman of Imamiya Council Ghazanfar Mehdi said, "the safeguard of human rights is the foremost message of Islam" but it was unfortunate to note that the Muslims had failed to carry the message of peace and tolerance throughout the world.

Mashhadi believed that the right to education was the basic right, which should be provided to all citizens on equal basis. He also stressed on one standardiised system of education for rich and poor equally.

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7th National annual Human Rights Conference 2007

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Speakers of the

6th National Human Rights Conference 2006 arranged by the International Human Rights Observer(IHRO) at Islamabad to commemorate United Nations International day of Human Rights 2006.





3rd National annual Human Rights Conference 2003





1st National annual Human Rights Conference 2001





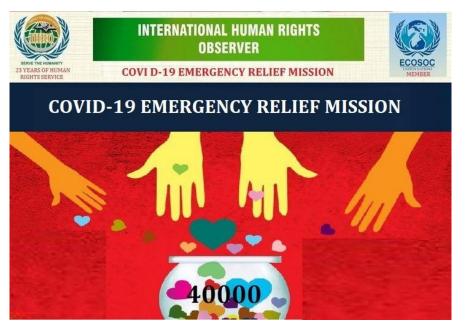






COVID-19 EMERGENCY RELIEF MISSION 2020-21

Sub-Division Yasin Ghizar District Gilgit Baltistan Province Pakistan



SERVING HUMANITY IN PANDEMIC IS BEST HUMAN RIGHTS

IN COLLABORATION WITH



YASIN YOUTH FORUM GHIZER GB

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The **COVID-19 Emergency Relief Mission 2020-2021** conducted by the International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) in collaboration with the Yasin Youth Forum (YYF) in the Subdivision Yasin, Gilgit-Baltistan, played a crucial role in providing immediate assistance to the affected communities during the pandemic. This mission highlighted the importance of humanitarian aid and the collective efforts of volunteers and local leaders who stepped up to serve during this unprecedented crisis.

Background and Objectives

As the COVID-19 pandemic spread rapidly worldwide, it left communities in remote and mountainous regions like Subdivision Yasin, Ghizer District, facing immense challenges. These areas, already grappling with limited healthcare facilities and harsh living conditions, were hit hard by the pandemic. The IHRO, with its established role as a humanitarian organization, quickly mobilized resources and volunteers to assist the most vulnerable.

The main objectives of the COVID-19 Emergency Relief Mission:

1.Provision of food and essential supplies: Due to the lockdown and movement restrictions, many daily wage earners and small business owners lost their sources of income. The IHRO aimed to mitigate food insecurity by distributing rations to those in need





2. Awareness campaigns: Educating the community about preventive measures such as social distancing, wearing masks, and proper sanitation to reduce the spread of the virus.

3. Coordination with local authorities: Ensuring the smooth implementation of the relief mission through effective collaboration with local government officials, law enforcement, and community



4. Support for healthcare services: Distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to local health units and monitoring teams.



Execution and Team Formation

The IHRO, in partnership with YYF, formed a 22-member volunteer team under the leadership of Asif Hussain (Head of Relief Mission G.B.) and Sakhi Murad (District Coordinator). These volunteers came together for a two-day strategic meeting at Durbar Hotel in May 2020, where they discussed the mission's objectives and developed a plan of action.

The mission was divided into multiple phases:

- Phase I: Ration distribution in Qorqolti to Siliharang.
- Phase II: Distribution in Silgan-Thoi.
- Phase III: Aid to Yasin Proper and surrounding villages.
- Phase IV and V: Support to families in Thoi and Nazbar.

Through a collaborative approach, the IHRO and YYF identified deserving families across these areas. A rigorous verification process ensured that the aid reached the most needy individuals. Volunteers worked tirelessly to pack and distribute rations to 247 families over five phases. Each family received essential food items, including rice, cooking oil, pulses, and hygiene products.

Fundraising and Donations

Fundraising played a pivotal role in the success of the mission. The IHRO raised over PKR 500,000 through generous donations from local philanthropists, businesses, and well-wishers. The campaign

also included door-to-door collection drives, establishing a donation shop, and setting up collection boxes in markets to encourage community involvement.

Key donors included Baigle Social Welfare, which contributed 70 ration packs, Senator Talha Mahmood Foundation, which donated rice and cooking oil, and several local businessmen. Despite financial challenges, the IHRO team remained committed to their cause, overcoming logistical obstacles such as difficult terrain and limited transportation options.

Awareness Campaigns and Healthcare Support

In addition to providing food, the IHRO and YYF focused on raising awareness about COVID-19 prevention. Volunteers distributed PPE kits to local healthcare centers and monitoring stations. These efforts were critical in controlling the spread of the virus in the region. Through public demonstrations and door-to-door visits, the volunteers educated the community on the importance of wearing masks, washing hands, and maintaining physical distance.

Health centers such as Lalak Jan Hospital and Aga Khan Health Center were supported with PPE donations. Furthermore, entry and exit monitoring cells were set up in different villages to track and prevent the movement of potentially infected individuals.

Challenges and Outcomes

The IHRO faced several challenges during the mission. The remote location and mountainous terrain of Yasin made access to certain areas difficult. Volunteers had to travel by foot or rely on public transportation to reach families in need. Additionally, working with a diverse group of stakeholders, including politicians, religious leaders, and social organizations, required careful negotiation and coordination.

Despite these obstacles, the mission was largely successful. The team distributed rations to 247 families, provided PPE to healthcare facilities, and raised awareness about COVID-19 prevention. The mission's positive impact was widely acknowledged by the community, and it set a precedent for future humanitarian efforts in the region.

The **COVID-19 Emergency Relief Mission 2020** undertaken by the IHRO in Gilgit-Baltistan demonstrated the power of community-driven humanitarian initiatives. The volunteers' dedication, combined with the support of local donors and authorities, helped alleviate the suffering of hundreds of families during the pandemic. This mission underscored the importance of timely and coordinated action in crisis situations and showcased IHRO's commitment to serving humanity, especially in remote and underserved areas.

Local Media Coverage:



NATIONAL HUMANITARIAN RELIEF PROGRAM SINCE 2005

IHRO started its National Humanitarian Relief Program in 2005 just after heavy earthquake in Pakistan in which big population in Pakistan especially in the region of Azad Kashmir (Pakistan Administrative Area) were badly affected. The effected people lost their houses, animal even members of their families. It was horrible disaster in the history of human kind in Pakistan. This Program is regularly working with different UN bodies for the relief, reconstruction and rehabilitation of the victims of different disasters including heavy floods and International displaced Persons since 2011.

HUMANITARIAN SERVICES IN EARTHQUAKE 2005

IHRO contacted with the Ministry of Human Rights Government of Pakistan and distributed the food, clothes, tents, medicines and many other items of lively hood.

Sr. No	Items	Quantity	Expenditure (Rs.)	
1	Tent	625	1562500	
2	Blanket	4050	3359000	
3	Jacket +clothes	8000	2560000	
4	Cooking oil	4500 (bags)	247500	
5	Rice 5kg	4500 (bags)	450000	
6	Sugar 2kg	4500 (bags)	234000	
7	Tea ¼ kg	4500 (bags)	126000	
8	Daal Maash (1kg)	4000 (bags)	135000	
9	Salt + Mix Masala	4500	157500	
10	Milk 1/2kg	4500 tetra packs	67500	
11	Confectionary (Rs. 60/ Packet)	4500 Packets	270000	
12	Medicine		145000	
13	Total Expenditure (Rs.)		9314000	

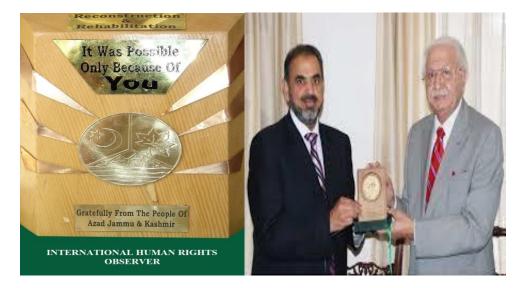


IHRO also arranged one National Conference on Challenges for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction and the Way forward presided by the Federal Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights Mr. Wasi Zafar at that time

IHRO WAS AWARDED PRESIDENT OF AJK NATIONAL AWARD DUE TO ITS HUMANTARIAN RELIEF SERVICES

The President of Azad Jammu and Kashmir honored IHRO with presidential Award for its humanitarian work in the AJK Pakistan region in 2005-2007.

International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) received this Award from the AJK President Award



International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) received a President's Award from the Government of Azad Jammu & Kashmir (Pakistan Administrative Area) to acknowledge its splendid efforts for immediate relief and rehabilitation for victims of the October 8th 2005 earthquake.

The PRESIDENT Mr. ASIF ALI ZRDARI AND THE PRIME MINISTER SYED YOUSIF RAZA GILLANI OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN ALSO AWARDED "NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD AND GOLD MEDAL" TO THE PRESIDENT OF IHRO DUE ITS HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN SERVICES IN ISLAMABAD



IHRO NATIONAL ANTI-TERRORISM MOVEMENT TO PROMOTE PEACE, TO HATE TERRORISM

International Human Rights Observer is one of those human rights organizations in Pakistan which is continuously supporting peace and discouraging all kind of terrorism on each and every level .IHRO launched its national Anti-Terrorism movement after 9/11 terrorist act and managed many events on anti-terrorism and . IHRO has not only condemned the terrorism in Pakistan but supported all actors including Government of Pakistan against terrorism by promoting dialogues, banners campaign and national conferences.

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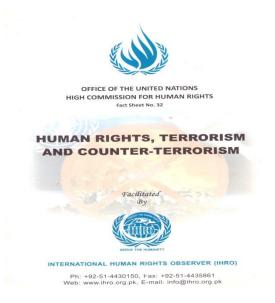
IHRO arranged it National Anti-Terrorism Conference in November 2009 in which eminent experts participates from all walks of life. IHRO launched its National Campaign for Peace against Terrorism

NATIONAL ANTI-TERRORISM CONFERENCE

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IHRO Publication on Anti-Terrorism



IHRO HUMANITARIAN CAMPAIGN FOR THE RIGHT OF SELF DETERMINATION OF KASHMIR



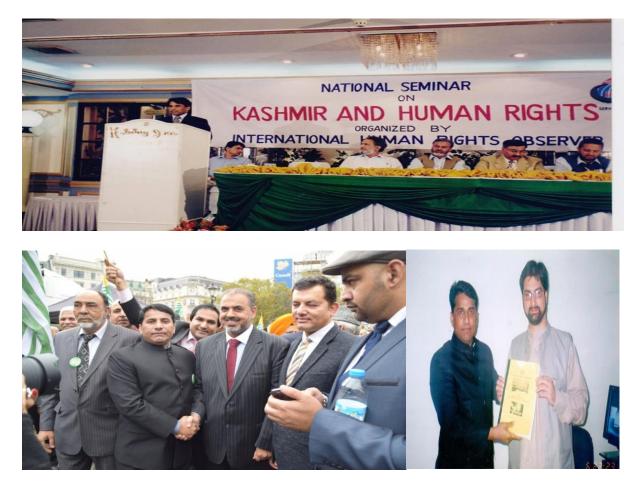
International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) Pakistan is one of the committed human rights organizations which is promoting and protecting the basic fundamental human rights of the Kashmiri People according the resolutions of the United Nations on KASHMIR and in the light of Universal Charter of United Nations.



IHRO every year submits its "**Memorandum on Kashmir**" to the Secretary General of the United Nations to give the Right of Self Determination and show solidarity with the Kashmiri People.

IHRO has also released many reports on Right of Self Determination of the Kashmiri People. It has been Strongly condemning the crimes and atrocities, massacres, extra-judicial killings, custodial deaths, reprisal killings, arbitrary detentions, torture, burning of houses, villages and townships and the use of rape as an instrument of suppression by the Indian Government

through its military and para-military personnel and mercenaries, which have claimed more than 125000 innocent lives in Jammu and Kashmir through its reports and conferences.



KASHMIR CONFERENCES SERIES SINCE 1999

International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) has history to support the People of Kashmir for their rights of Self-Determination and holding National KASHMIR Conference regularly every year in Pakistan since 1999.IHRO still continuing its National and International campaigns on Kashmir through Exhibitions, social, Print and electronic Media

IHRO focused on the issue of Kashmir which is the longest unresolved dispute on the agenda of the United Nations Security Council. There are 23 United Nations resolutions on Kashmir, all asking for the resolution of the dispute, on the basis of right of self-determination for the people of Kashmir through a neutral mechanism of plebiscite under UN Administrator. In the light of UN resolutions, people of the state have been demanding their right of self-determination from the successive Indian governments.



NATIONAL INTERNAL DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPs) CONFERENCE 2009

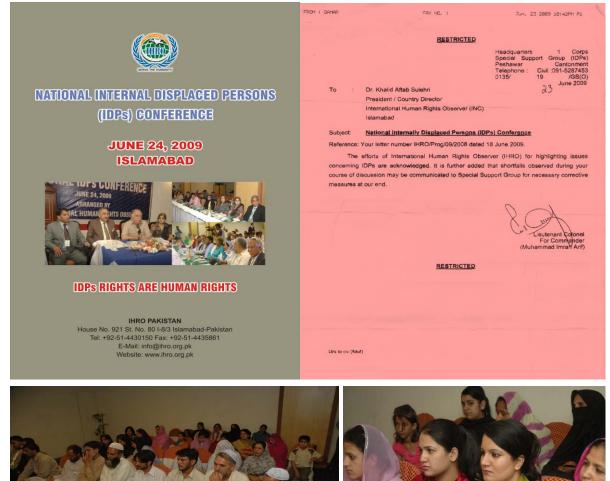
NATIONAL IDPs CONFERENCE

The Emergency Relief Unit and Executive Committee of International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) decided to organize National Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) Conference on June 24, 2009 in Best Western Hotel, Islamabad.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

The main objectives of the Conference were: "To help in rehabilitation and to devise a comprehensive relief policy for the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) of Swat, Buneer and others" and to identify the problems faced by IDPs,, to create Public awareness among IDPs regarding their rights .

 223 participants including Government Senior Officials, civil society advocacy groups, NGOs, religious groups, federations, trade unions, representatives of political parties, diplomats, intellectuals, officials from private sector, international and regional organizations and students from different universities participated in this important conference.



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INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS OBSERVER AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN FEDERAL MINISTRY OF HUMAN RIGHTS



IHRO CONTRIBUTION TO THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RIGHTS, GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN



IHRO worked with the Ministry of Human Rights, Government of Pakistan from 2009-2011 as partner organization on volunteer bases. Founder president of the organization (IHRO) Mr. Khalid Pervaiz Sulehri was appointed Chief Coordinator of the Ministry on honorary basis.

	GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN MINISTRY OF HUMAN RIGHTS (OFFICE OF THE JOINT SECRETARY)
	Islamabad the 6 th October, 2010.
To :	Dr. Khalid Parvaiz Sulairi President International Human Rights Observer (IHRO)
Subject:	Selection of IHRO as Implementing Partner under "Capacity Building of RDHRs for Effective Implementation of Legal Framework on VAW" Project with Financial Support of GJP/ UNDP
	Reference your presentation to the selection committee formed by the
MoHR to se	elect implementing partner for abovementioned project.
2	I am pleased to inform you that the selection committee, headed by the
	Minister for Human Rights, has unanimously selected the International
Human Rig	hts Observer (IHRO) as implementing partner for abovementioned GJP/
UNDP fund	
3. finalize furt	I also take this opportunity to invite you to visit the undersigned to ther course of action.
	(Syed Tahir Ali Shah)
	Joint Secretary (HR)
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IHRO played a vital role for the following activities of the Ministry

- To arrange workshops and meetings on different issues of the Human Rights to promote the mandate of the Ministry.
- ✤ To arrange regular consultation workshops and meetings with other partners to establish National Commission on human Rights (NHRC), this has been enforced by the Government of Pakistan in 2015.
- To commemorate international days of the United Nations every year regularly including human rights day, women rights, democracy and other days for the promotion and protection of human rights.
- To promote its services to Publish the Year Book of the Human Rights Ministry with other partners and officials.

To address the applications of different cases of the Human Rights violations to Federal Minister of human rights with research and investigation.





IHRO also participated in the following consultation of different Commissions and treaties of the United Nations before ratification by the Government of Pakistan.

National Commission for Human Rights Government of Pakistan

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Name of Treaty	Signature Date	Ratification
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CAT - Convention against Torture and Other Cruel	17 Apr 2008	23 Jun 2010
Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment		
CCPR - International Covenant on Civil and	17 Apr 2008	23 Jun 2010
Political Rights		
CRC-OP-SC - Optional Protocol to the Convention	26 Sep 2001	05 Jul 2011
on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children		
child prostitution and child pornography		
CRPD - Convention on the Rights of Persons with	25 Sep 2008	05 Jul 2011
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- GOOD GOVERNANCE AND HUMAN RIGHTS erepresentatives of Political Parties of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, do humbly and sincerely committed and covenant, that: Being Muslim, we believe in the absolute sovereignty and oneness of Allah, the finality and supermacy over all human beings of his choicest apostle. Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH). For the sanctity, security and values of the life of human being, we will derive the guidance as enshirided in the Holy Quran, Sunnah, the commandments of Huijlat-u-Wuida's, United Nations' Declaration of Human Rights 1948 and the Constitution of Pakistan. We solemnly assure the people and the Government of Pakistan to work sincerely, honestly and willary that of the oppressed, down trodden, prisoners, destitute, womenfolk and the marginalized segment of our society. 4.
- society. We will uphold the virtuous qualities of good government, restoration of democracy at grass root level and turning Pakistan into a truly progressive looking modern Islamic state. Dated: 1st November 2002

Signed by:

Honorable Dr. Khalid Ranjah(Present) Minister of Law, Justice & Human Rights

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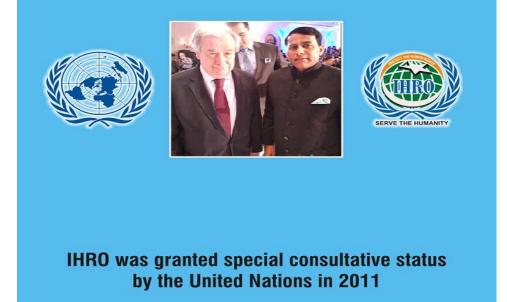
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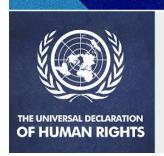
IHRO contribute to the United Nations through advocacy campaigns and commemorating United Nations days such as the International Day of Human Rights, Day of the Child, Day of Peace, Day to eliminate Violence against Women, and other International days. IHRO participated in the different events of the United Nations since 2000

IHRO other programs includes, the advocacy and awareness program. Extensive documentation, Research and Publication Unit The outreach, education and training program, pro bono legal aid, 1300 cases were reported and Free legal advice was extended to countless individuals in this reporting period. IHRO followed the UN world Program for Human Rights Education phase-1 and worked to promote Phase -2 from 2009-2014.Phase-3 from 2015-2019 has been launched on National level.



ADVOCACY CAMPAIGN OF UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. ...



International human rights Observer (IHRO) is one the biggest campaigner of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) of the United Nations since its creation in 1996.IHRo started its national campaign of UDHR in 1998 and published, recorded and distributed advocacy material among different groups of the society including organizations, colleges, universities teachers and students and to other stake holders. The UDHR is a milestone document in the history of human rights. Drafted by representatives with different legal and cultural backgrounds from all regions of the world, the Declaration was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in Paris on 10 December 1948 (General Assembly resolution 217 A) as a common standard of achievements for all peoples and all nations. It sets out, for the first time, fundamental human rights to be universally protected and it has been translated into over 500 languages. The UDHR is widely recognized as having inspired, and paved the way for, the adoption of more than seventy human rights treaties, applied today on a permanent basis at global and regional levels.



PARLIAMENTARIAN ASSEMBLY FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) Pakistan for the first time in the country has established the Parliamentarian Assembly for Human Rights (PAHR). The aim of this initiative is to recognize and address all important human rights issues in the Parliament of Pakistan through elected parliamentarians. The parliamentarians involved in this project will try to ensure that parliamentary activities are undertaken to advance the full implementation of international human rights standards in the country.



Youth Parliament for Human Rights



IHRO has also established its "Youth Parliament on Human Rights " and has involved youth and students of the college and universities level for promotion of the United Nations Charter of Human rights . There are 10000 Youth /Students are now has become the part of this national campaign.

Annual National Human Rights Defenders Award:

IHRO Accreditations with the Commissions of the United Nations:

International Human Rights observer (IHRO) is working for the promotion of agenda of United Nations on grass root level. IHRO has special consultative status with the Economic and social Council of the United Nations and accredited with following Commissions to report and monitor the activities of difference.

IHRO PARTICIPATION SINCE 2000

- 1- IHRO first time participated in the 39th session of Commission for social Development from 13th to 23rd February 2000 at United Nations Head Quarters as a south Asian Partner of International Foundation for Rural Development.
- 2- IHRO accredited by United Nations Conference on Facilitation the entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test- Bin Treaty (CTBT) in UN New York from 10th 13th November 2001.
- 3- The Global Forum financing the rights to Sustainable and Equitable Development Form 14th - 16th March 2002 in Monterrey- Mexico.
- 4- IHRO to attend the "World Summit for sustainable Development" as a major group in Jonesburg South Africa in August 2002.
- 5- Participated in "3rd World Water Forum in Kyoto in Japan in March 2003.
- 6- Participated in "11th session of the Commission for sustainable development of United Nation from 28th April to 9th May 2003 at New York .
- 7- IHRO attend the 29th Session of CEDAW from 9th -18th July 2003 at UN New York
- 8- Participated in the United Nations CTBT conference in Austria Vienna in September 2003.
- 9- IHRO attend the "World Summit for Information Society from 10th -12th December 2003 in Geneva Switzerland.
- 10- IHRO participated in the Nuclear-Test- Ban Treaty (CTBT) conference 2009 as observer.

These are few events which IHRO attended in the past but now IHRO attends the United Nations different sessions on regular basis after getting the United Nations Special ECOSOC consultative Status in 2011.



THE UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOMENT GOALS AGENDA 2030 AND IHRO

IHRO PARTICIPATION IN WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOMENT IN SOUTH AFRICA 2002



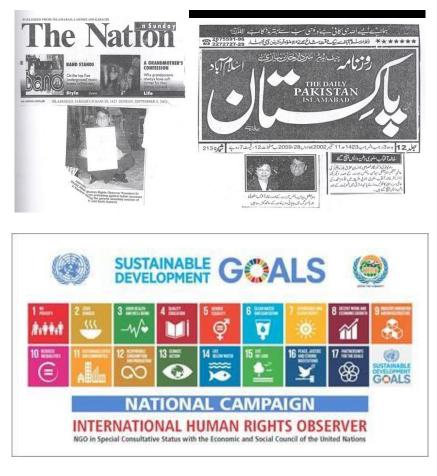
WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA, 26 AUG- 4 SEPT 2002



International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) Participated in the World summit on Sustainable Development and become first organization in Pakistan who participated first time in the major summit attended by the head of states.

IHRO President **Mr. Khalid Pervaiz Sulehri** also attended all the major events of the WSIS and protest in the main Hall of the summit in the presence of the head of states. He said that Peace and sustainable Development in the South Asia is not possible with our Resolution of Kashmir Issue according the resolutions of the United Nations.

In this way, IHRO started its support to the Sustainable Development Agenda of the United Nations in 2002 in the WSIS 2002 Jonesburg South Africa.



NATIONAL CAMPAIGN ON SDGs:

IHRO started its National Campaign on Sustainable Development Goals on 14th August 2016 and has promoted its best efforts for the advocacy on groos root level through different techniques :

IHRO has established its two sub organizations for the promotion of SDGs in the country which are engaging the common people and awaring them about the agenda SDGs 2023. It has become now big National Movement.

- 1- National Parliament on SDGs
- 2- Youth Parliament on SDGs

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development was launched in 2015 to end poverty and set the world on a path of peace, prosperity and opportunity for all on a healthy planet. The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) demand nothing short of a transformation of the financial, economic and political systems that govern our societies today to guarantee the human rights of all. The SDG 16 aims to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels. Small arms control and disarmament are important measures to achieve Goal 16. Read the 2020 SDGs Report below and access reports from previous years.

Annual Conference on Human Rights and Sustainable Development

IHRO is promoting the United Nations SDGs agenda 2030 through its regular "Annual National Human Rights and Sustainable development Goals Conferences " since 2016.More than 7500 people has been advocated about SDGs through this unique annual conference on SDGs. The representatives of NGOs, CBOs, Religious and political parties, head of foreign missions,



embassies, Ministries Government of Pakistan, Institutions, Colleges and Universities, Youth and labor organizations, individual experts and other all stake holders participated in this annual conference and played their role for further advocacy in the society.

Pakistan



IHRO PEACE AND SECURITY THROUGH DISARAMAMENT PARTICIPATION IN CTBTO CONFERENCES SINCE 2001

IHRO is also one of those human rights organizations who have been **supporting "Disarmament for Peace and Security"** to promote and enhance national and international efforts towards global disarmament and international peace and security through the support and promotion of regional disarmament efforts and initiatives of the United Nations.

IHRO has been representing Pakistan stance on disarmament and CTOB during different sessions of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) conferences since 2000. IHRO has also been part of many NGOs reports during the disarmament and CTBT conferences. It has protested many times for the peace stability in Pakistan and different countries through the Disarmament.

International human Rights Observer (IHRO) Pakistan have been accredited and attending the following conferences "Facilitating Entry into Force of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (Article XIV Conference) since 2001.

- 1- 2013 Article XIV Conference on 27 September 2013, New York
- 2- 2011 Article XIV Conference on 23 September 2011, New York

- 3- 2009 Article XIV Conference from 24–25 September 2009 in New York
- 4- 2007 Article XIV Conference from 17-18 September 2007 in Vienna
- 5- 2005 Article XIV Conference from 21-23 September 2005, New York
- 6- 2003 Article XIV Conference from 3-5 September 2003, Vienna
- 7- 2001 Article XIV Conference from 11-13 November 2001 New York

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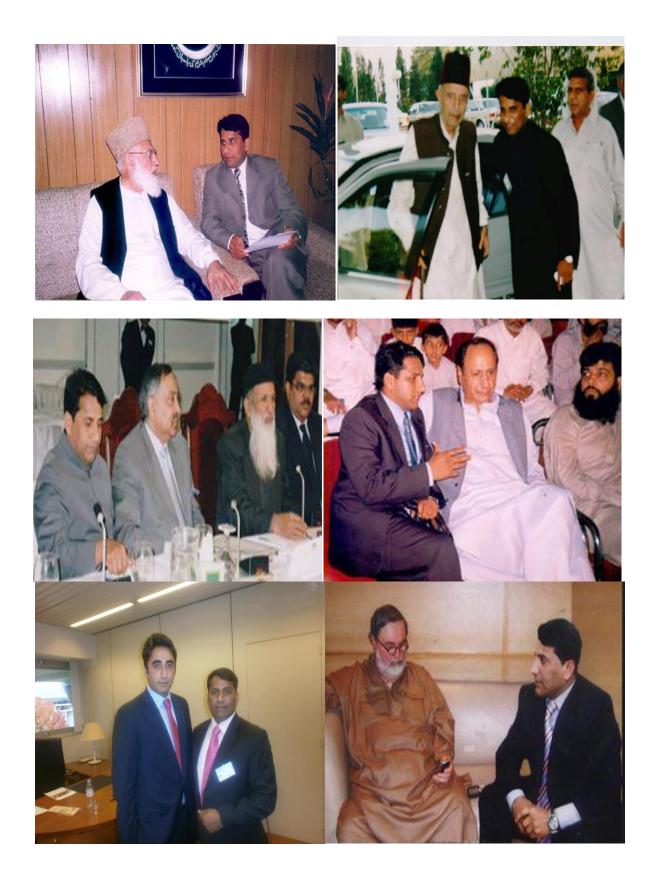
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Nawab Zada Nasrullah Khan sighing Memorandum on Democracy and Good Governance in Pakistan during a conference arranged by IHRO in Islamabad





IHRO President Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed and Afrasiab Khattak , Chairman senate Standing Committee on Human rights at Gilgit during official visit of the Committee



President IHRO, Khalid Sulehri addressing to the Ministerial Conference in Press Club Islamabad





IHRO hosted a Roundtable conference on Good Governance (Islamabad Metropolitan Corporation)



IHRO Volunteers group with Mr. Khalid Sulehri during "All Parities Conference on Anti-Terrorism "in Islamabad



President IHRO addressing to a press conference on Protection of Religious Minorities in Pakistan



President IHRO, Ms. Hina Jillani ,Mr Liaquat Banori and others during a workshop in Islamabad



President IHRO Dr Khalid Suylehri , Chairman Tehreek-e-Insaf and other leaders during a Conference in Islamabad



Federal Minister for Human Rights Syed Mumtaz Alam Gillani , Dr z. U khan, Defense Analyst Dr.Maria Sultan and Dr Khalid Sulehri addressing to the National IDPs conference



Chairman Edhi Foundation Abdul Sattar Edhi , Mr. Khalid Sulehri leading a youth Peace Walk on International Day of Human Rights arranged by IHRO



President IHRO Mr. Khalid Sulehri collecting charity on road with Chairman Edhi Foundation Abdul Sattar Edhi





Chairman Edhi Foundation Abdul Sattar Edhi , Chairman National Social Council of Pakistan , Dr Z.U. Khan and Dr Khalid Sulehri during Annual National Human Rights Conference and Award Ceremony in Islamabad



Founder President IHRO Dr Khalid Aftab Sulehri in front of White House after a conference in Washington D.C ,USA and in the United Nations New York HQ with her wife



IHRO President with Dr Maria Sultan , Mr. Chris Seiple, Ph.D., president of the Institute for Global Engagement USA and other international experts during a workshop arranged by SASSI Institute Islamabad

International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) Pakistan was invited by the Council of Europe in 2012 to attend the "World Forum for Democracy. IHRO President Dr Khalid Aftab Sulehri accompanied a high level delegation led bythe Chairman of Pakistan Peoples Party(PPP) Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari . Dr Khalid Sulehri also met high dignitaries during the World Forum , Dr Khalid Sulehri also delivered his speeches during the forum .



President of IHRO Dr Khalid Sulehri meeting with Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Secretary General of the Council of Europe and President of the Council.





25 Years of Struggle for Human Rights

President IHRO Dr Khalid Sulehri with Secretary General of the Council of Europe Mr Thorbjørn Jagland, Chairman PPP Mr. Bilawal Bhutto zardari , Pakistan Ambassador Mr. Saeed during World Forum for Democracy in Strasbourg , France





President IHRO Mr. Khalid Sulehri with President UICF UK and International Advisor (Hon) IHRO Barrister Shahzada Hayat ,Mr. M.W.Khokhar MBE . Community Liaison Officer Muslim Aid London and other religious leaders during a interfaith Conference in London UK



President IHRO –Khalid Sulehri with other delegates during a fundraising dinner hosted by the Muslim Aid UK in BT Plaza London



President IHRO meeting with Ms. Kristiane Backer author of famous book "MTV to Mecca' Journalist and think tank in London





IHRO President Dr Khalid Sulehri meeting IHRO Honorary chairman Dr. U. Khan , IHRO Director UK Mr. Jamshaid Chughtai , International member of IHRO Mr. Atif Abbasi and with different personalities and professionals in the United Kingdom during his visits from 2010-2014

IHRO –Pakistan was invited by the office of the United Nations on Drug and Crime (UNODC) Vienna to participate in the 13th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in Doha in 2015. IHRO President Dr Khalid Sulehri represented IHRO-Pakistan and delivered speeches during different sessions. His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki Moon, Secretary General of the United Nations addressed to the opening ceremony.





IHRO President, Dr Khalid Sulehri attended United Nations Tokyo Green Industry Conference in 2011 in Tokyo Japan



IHRO delegation along with President attended five days workshop in Jeju Iceland South Korea at CIFAL Institute



IHRO participated in regular meetings of the Pakistan Water Partnership as a partner Organization. IHRO also celebrates International Water Day every year on 22 March.



IHRO participated and supported in the 100 days long JAMHOOR CAMP to sustain democracy in Pakistan arranged by the Pakistan Federal Union of Journalists (PFUJ)









IHRO President addressing to the seminar on Peshawar Army Public School Incident by the Terrorists in arranged by IHRO, Pakistan Human rights Party and RIUJ at National Press Club Islamabad



IHRO team led by the President participated in the Awareness Walk on TB in Pakistan



IHRO President Dr Khalid Sulehri leading a Women Peace Walk in Pakistan



Dr Khalid Sulehri addressing to the Press Conferences in IHRO Head Office on Human Rights Violations in Pakistan with his senior associates Ms. Shahida , Ms. Nadia Ali and Hamad



IHRO President Mr. Khalid Sulehri distributing Annal Human Services Award in a National Seminar arranged by the Human Hope for Health and education NGO in Islamabad. Chairperson of the organization Ms. Nagin Khan is also present

IHRO-Pakistan arranged a national seminar: MILALA ZINDABAD CONVENTION" to promote and strengthen the Education in Pakistan. Federal Minister for Human Rights Syed Mumtaz Alam Gillani, Sheikh Mansoor, Prof.B.A Malik, renowned women rights activist Mrs.Farzana Bari and other distinguished personalities participated in the seminar.



IHRO-Pakistan arranged a National Civil Society Conference in Islamabad. Chairman, National Standing Committee on Human Rights Mr, Riaz Fatayna and other renowned personalities addressed to the conference.



IHRO-Pakistan President participated in different national, international events on Kashmiri issue.IHRO summits its memorandum to different international bodies including the United Nations every year on February 5.





IHRO President with famous Women Rights Activist Mukhtar Mai in IHRO annual Human Rights conference



President of IHRO honoring with Women Rights Award to MUKHTAR MAI in Islamabad

IHRO President Dr Khalid Sulehri visited Gilgit Baltistan Mr. Muhammad Farooq (IHRO coordinator GB). Showing solidarity with Doctors during their strike for their service rights in Chilas.



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Public, government collaboration sought to uphold human rights DAILY TIMES

ISLAMABAD: Islam defends and advo-cates human rights and offers best solu-tion for all human rights issues, said participants at the 10th annual national human rights conference at local hotel on Mondey.

By Mahtab Bashir

Jamma rights conference at local hotel Monday.
 Boß participants from government, civil society and media organisations attended the conference, which was organised by International Human Rights Observer (IHRO), working in col-laboration with United Nations.
 The messages of President Asif Ali Zardari, Prime Minister Yusuf Raza Gilani and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on International Human Rights Day were read on the occasion.
 Zardari's message noted, "Our faith Islam also teaches us deep respect for rights of all human heights as mentioned in the Universal Declaration of Human in the Gilani's message precalled, "Human Rights as mentioned in the Universal Declaration of Human Fights have emanated from the basic principles of Islam, enstrined in the last



address of Holy Prophet (pbuh.)". HRQO president Khalid Sulehri in his welcome address said, "Khutba-e-huijatul Wida, the last address of Holy Prophet (pbuh), is the basic charter of -human rights." Parliamentarian Commission for Human Rights Director Shafique Chaudhry believed that Islam

provided equal rights to all human beings. He observed that it was not only the duty government to defend human rights "but each one of us is human rights defender." The role of United Nations also came under discussion in the confer-ence. Syed Zafar Ali Shah of PML-N

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and pointing differences, we should bridge people and communities of the world, "stressed Drahim Khan, Jamate-Islami Parliamentarian. He also stressed that on the basis of the true teaching of lastan, we could achieve goals of peace and equality all over the world. Haji Adeel of ANP highly work hand themocrary and it agencies should work in collaboration to achieve the goal of evenuality.

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24TH NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE 2024

10 December - Human Rights Day







Introduction

The International Human Rights Observer (IHRO) is an NGO in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations and commemorates International Day of Human Rights of the United Nations every year with great commitment on national and international levels. IHRO organized the 24th National Human Rights Conference on December 10, 2024, at the National Library of Pakistan, Islamabad. This significant event coincided with International Human Rights Day and aimed to address pressing human rights issues under the national theme, **"Sustainable Development Goal, Democracy, and Human Rights," and the UN theme, "Our Rights, Our Future, Right Now."**



IHRO, known for its longstanding commitment to advocating human rights on national and international levels, once again provided a platform for diplomats, politicians, NGOs, policymakers, activists, scholars, and civil society members to converge, discuss, and propose actionable solutions for the betterment of society. This conference reflected IHRO's vision of creating a world where human rights are universally respected, fostering an inclusive environment for dialogue and collective action. The event also served as a reminder of Pakistan's active role in upholding its constitutional provisions and international obligations regarding human rights.

Thematic Sessions

The conference featured several thematic sessions designed to delve deeper into specific aspects of human rights and sustainable development:

1. Sustainable Development Goals and Human Rights:

- Examined the alignment between Pakistan's development agenda and the UN SDGs.
- Discussed strategies for integrating human rights considerations into development projects.

2. Democracy and Rule of Law:

- Highlighted the importance of robust democratic institutions and accountability mechanisms in safeguarding human rights.
- Explored the relationship between legal frameworks and the protection of individual freedoms.

3. Youth and Human Rights Advocacy:

- Encouraged the active participation of young leaders in human rights campaigns.
- Presented initiatives aimed at empowering youth to become effective advocates for change.

4. State of Human Rights in Pakistan:

• Provided an overview of the current human rights landscape in Pakistan.

• Identified key challenges and areas requiring immediate attention.

5. Role of Civil Society, Political Parties, and Social Media:

- Discussed the influence of civil society organizations, political entities, and social media platforms in promoting and protecting human rights.
- Explored innovative approaches to leverage these sectors for advocacy and awareness.

6. Status of Women, Children, and Minority Rights:

- Addressed the specific human rights issues faced by women, children, and minority groups in Pakistan.
- Presented policy recommendations to enhance protections and promote equality.

7. Human Rights Legislation and Implementation:

- Reviewed existing human rights laws in Pakistan and their effectiveness.
- Suggested improvements for better implementation and enforcement of these laws.

8. Role of the Business Sector:

- Explored how businesses can contribute to achieving SDGs and uphold human rights within their operations.
- Highlighted successful corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

9. Human Rights and Regional Peace:

- Focused on the human rights situations in Palestine and Kashmir, emphasizing the need for international intervention and support.
- Discussed the impact of regional conflicts on human rights and sustainable development.

10. Role of Youth:

- Emphasized the critical role that youth play in driving human rights advocacy and sustainable development.
- Showcased youth-led initiatives and their contributions to societal change.

11. Role of Media Institutions:

- Analyzed the media's role in raising awareness about human rights issues.
- Discussed ethical journalism practices and the responsibility of media in shaping public opinion.

12. Civil-Military Relations:

- Examined the dynamics between civilian institutions and the military in the context of promoting SDGs and human rights.
- Addressed challenges and opportunities for fostering cooperation and mutual respect.

Special Sessions and Events

In addition to the main conference, several special sessions and events were held to enrich the overall experience:

SDGs Youth Parliament of Pakistan Session (December 09, 2024):

- A platform for young leaders to debate and propose solutions related to SDGs and human rights.
- Facilitated dialogue between policymakers and stakeholders to discuss the integration of SDGs into national legislation and policies.



National Exhibition on Human Rights Violations in Palestine and Kashmir (December 10, 2024):

• Highlighted the ongoing human rights issues in Kashmir, providing a comprehensive overview through exhibits and interactive displays.

National Human Rights Defenders Award Ceremony (December 10, 2024):



• Recognized and honored individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the promotion and protection of human rights in Pakistan.

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Evening Social Networking Program with Dinner (December 10, 2024):

• Offered attendees an opportunity to network, share experiences, and build collaborative relationships in a relaxed setting.



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