

Chapter 12

PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS



Q1: Write in your words the basic features of human rights?

Human rights can be describes as freedoms, immunities and benefits that all human beings should be able to claim as a matter of right in the society in which they live. Human rights are supreme inherent and inalienable rights to life, dignity and self-development. There are several basic features of human rights:

- The right to your own thoughts
- Freedom of expression
- The right to democracy
- Be equally treated
- Universal acceptance
- Liberty
- Right to education

Q2: Discuss in detail the rights and duties of citizens of Pakistan?

There are several rights and duties of citizens of Pakistan:

- Participate in community development program and try to clean our neighborhood.
- Save water and electricity
- Be loyal and patriotic to the homeland.
- Spread positive image of Pakistan worldwide.
- Remove discrimination on the basis of gender, race, culture and language.
- Respect government institutions such as army, judiciary and teachers
- Respect and follow rule of law
- It is our national duty to caste our vote during elections.
- Promote brotherhood, peace and acceptance
- Keep our environment clean and plant more trees.

Q3: Critically evaluate the state of human rights in Pakistan and suggest measures to safeguard them?

The constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan obligates the State of Pakistan to protect and promote human rights of all its citizens without any discrimination. Over the years the general rule of basic human rights has broken down and alarmingly diminished in Pakistan. Humanitarian crime is on the increase especially against the vulnerable, the poor, the women and the children. On the account of facts the violation of human rights has increased over few years. Following human rights violation has been observed:

- Sectarian violence and religious crime
- Honour killing
- Child abuse and rape
- Illegal village courts and trial
- Child and slave labour
- Extra Judicial killings

We can overcome this problem by making severe punishment to the culprits through implementing law and order. No space would be given to the criminals and make the people aware of their rights and how to curb the violation of human rights. Make coordination with different stakeholders by making strict policies without any discrimination.

Q4: Describe UN Human Rights Declaration, 1948?

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According to UN human rights declaration 1948, all people and all nations must aim to achieve certain goals and the same standards exist for all human beings across the globe. Everyone has right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of family. Including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services. Everyone has right to education. The universal declaration of human rights is a symbol of freedom, equality and justice in the world. It emphasizes the universality, indivisibility, interrelatedness and interdependence of all human rights.



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- 1) **Dignity** are those rights which are inherent in every person by virtue of being a human being.
- 2) Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on **10th December 1948**
- 3) The Article **26** of UN Human Rights Declaration states about Right to Education.

