Role of youth in defending human rights

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Expectations in Amrit kal

- As India is observing Amrit kal & celebrates completion of 75 years of Independence, expectations from youth towards promoting & protecting human rights have increased.
- In next 25 years, each of you would be heralding the progress in making India vikasit Bharat by 2047.
- From the initial period of setting many guidelines in crucial areas, NHRC has set several Advisories, Guidelines in various critical fields including rights of women, children, elderly citizens, mental health institutes.

Important links

- <u>Guidelines for scientific evidence in case of sexual assault on women https://nhrc.nic.in/acts-&-rules/guidelines-1#:~:text=Standard%20Operating%20Procedure%20(SOP)%20on%20
 <u>Collection%20%26%20Processing%20of%20Scientific/Forensic%20Evidences%20in%20Case%20of%20Sexual%20Assault%20on%20Women</u>
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- <u>Illegal Human Trade: https://nhrc.nic.in/acts-&-rules/guidelines-</u> 1#:~:text=Illegal%20Trade%20in%20Human%20Organs
- Ending manual scavenging <u>https://nhrc.nic.in/acts-&-rules/guidelines-</u> <u>1#:~:text=Ending%20Manual%20Scavenging</u>

Areas which need attention

- Safety of cyberspace is a daunting issue and severity of the same is increasing everyday.
- Causing havoc to women, children, senior citizens
- Al has further aggravated the seriousness
- While atrocities against women and children are increasing among all sections of the society, negligible complaints are lodged due to shame, pressure from family members and friends
- Increasing use of drugs among youth s frightening

New Areas

- While there is no respite from older issues, immediate attention is required to new areas such as
- Hate speeches creating divide in the society in the name of geographical differences, race, religion, caste, languages, gender threatening unity of India and the motto of एक भारत श्रेष्ठ भारत
- Urban haphazard growth resulting in scarcity of ground water, water pollution, light pollution due to excessive use of electricity, sound pollution creating health damages
- Adulteration of food in disregard to safety standards

Expectations

- Expected from all of you to raise your voice against these violations by businesses, factories, various influential groups by becoming human rights defendants and achieve the goal of
- सर्वेत्र सुखिनः सन्तु,
- सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः ।
- सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु
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