

Human Rights Issues



Prisoners and People at Risk

Prisoners and people at risk are those whose human rights have been violated or are under threat of violation.



Poverty and Human Rights

Everyone, everywhere has the right to live with dignity. That means that no one should be denied their rights to adequate housing, food, water and sanitation, and to education and health care.



Death Penalty

The death penalty is the ultimate, irreversible denial of human rights. It is the premeditated and cold-blooded killing of a human being by the state.



Security and Human Rights

Amnesty International insists that states must respect human rights in any actions they take in the name of national security or countering terrorism.



Refugee and Migrant Rights

Every day across the world refugees, migrants and internally displaced persons make the difficult decision to leave their homes.



Torture

Torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment must stop. Those responsible for authorizing it must be held accountable.



Women's Rights

Living free from violence is a human right. Yet millions of women and girls around the world encounter rape, domestic abuse, mutilation and other forms of gender-based violence.



Children's Rights

Across the world, children are denied their human rights. They miss out on their right to education. They are abandoned and left to fend for themselves on the street. They are recruited into armed forces. They are subjected to the death penalty and suffer many other forms of violence.



Censorship and Free Speech

Everyone has the right to seek, receive and impart information and ideas without fear or interference.



Business and Human Rights

Privatization and economic globalization have given companies unprecedented access to new territories, and expanded their reach across national borders.



LGBT Rights

All people, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity should enjoy equal human rights.



Military, Police and Arms

By encouraging governments to act responsibly in this area, Amnesty International USA seeks to prevent or minimize violations or abuses of humanitarian and human rights law.



International Justice

International justice is the cooperation between countries to hold accountable individuals accused of grave human rights abuses, such as genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes.

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