

ENVIRONMENT RIGHT A FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHT.

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Abstract

The close relationship between environmental problems and human rights protection is obvious. Talking about protecting the environment means not only to speak for the protection of nature but also to protect humans from damages that come through the environment. Environment may condition the free development of human personality, it can affect human dignity.

Above all, environment has value as the place where one lives, the place in which he develops its personality, where he is realized as a social being, the environment becomes the projection of the person and the environment quality is an essential aspect of the right to quality of life.

External conditions and elements affect the enjoyment of the fundamental rights of the individual and the free development of human personality, such as the right to a healthy environment. Environment, understood as a set of physical, chemical, biological and social elements that exerts a great influence on the health and wellbeing of individuals and the collectivity, takes a special autonomous value.

Is there a human right to environment as a fundamental human right? The answer to this question will be given in this paper.

Environmental degradation is an assault on the fundamental principle of equality, because it is obvious that environmental damage affects more the vulnerable categories of citizens. It can't be that the environment has no importance as a socializing place or as a prerequisite for the realization of fundamental human rights such as the right to health.

Today, fundamental human rights are more threatened from the environmental damages than by the actions of states.

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