

“The Art of Philippine Human Rights”

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Human rights education and teachings should be based on the equal emphasis and should be placed on economic, social, cultural, civil, and political rights, as well as individual and collective rights. The indivisibility of all human rights should be recognized.

The concept of human rights should not be formulated in traditional or classical terms but should include the historical experiences and contributions of all peoples, particularly in relation to major contemporary problems such as self-determination and all forms of discrimination and exploitation.

Human rights education and teachings must aim at fostering the attitudes of tolerance, respect, and solidarity inherent in human rights. Providing knowledge about human rights in both their national and international dimensions, and the institutions established for their implementation. Developing the individuals' awareness of the ways and means by which human rights can be translated into social and political reality at both the national and the international levels.

While education should make the individual aware of his or her own rights, it should at the same time instill respect for the rights of others. Care should be taken to create awareness about the close relationship between human rights and development and peace on the other hand. We should make it a priority task to promote the analysis and understanding of this relationship.

Human rights must be seen as an object of professional, ethical, and social responsibility in all fields of research, study, teaching, and work. It should stress that a new international economic, social, and cultural order is essential to enable all people to enjoy their rights and to promote and facilitate education on human rights at all levels in all countries.

Human rights must be taught at all levels of the educational system, as well as in out of school settings, including the family, and in continuing educational programs, including literacy and post-literacy programs. States shall strive to improve and broaden human rights education and teaching, and shall cooperate to this end.