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**Topic: Functions of NGO's in the preservation of human rights**

The functions of NGO's in the preservation of human rights are indispensable. The functions can be discussed as follows:

**Allocating information and their evaluation:** The primary function upon which the NGO's are engaged upon in dealing with the cases pertaining with the human rights issues violations is that of collecting the information, gathering and evaluate the information keeping in mind all the pre – requisites which are necessary and provide us with the effective output within prescribed time.

Thus, it is very recognizable principle which plays a very trustworthy role, upon which the citizens can rely upon. Hence, it is one of the most effective functions played by the NGO's. Hence, the productivity comes into the working of the NGO's by their monitoring, research skills and the functional characteristics to implement the cause, it has a great importance.

**Advocacy to stop abuses and secure redress:** Advocacy, here generally means that looking up and taking up the case immediately, or whenever they come to reach of any body's human rights violations, the NGO'S advocated their clients and it becomes very necessary to speak on their part as they are voiceless and needs a legal aid, thus it is also one of the requisite functions of the NGO's. Thus, the NGO's are more focused in providing up of the social welfare programs for the citizens.

**Legal aid, scientific expertise and humanitarian assistance:** Human right is a very vast and a wide topic which not only includes for the protection of the rights violations, but also to secure and to provide human rights assistance when required. It may include providing up of food facilities, providing with clothes, check up- to maintain their health, awareness campaigns on various matters, providing shelter to the homeless or street children, etc.

**Managing Solidarity among the citizens:** NGO's play a very dominant as well as an extravagant role for boosting up of the people or the groups who become the sufferers of the gross violations upon them which may include workers and peasants, various organizations comprising up of women, children, indigenous people, religious groups, etc. Therefore, for maintaining the dignity of the vulnerable sectors of the society, the NGO's work very hard to bring them among the equals and aware them about their rights indifferently guaranteed by the Constitution and several other laws of the country by which the citizens get governed. Thus, it can be said that the NGO's provide up for the mediatory role in pursuance with the objectives which needs to be satisfied by the Organization.

**Education with empowerment:** It is very well known principle that people cannot defend themselves until and unless they are not much widely are acquainted about their rights, and this becomes the base line for the NGO's to work upon the lines of the human rights and provide with each and every legal assistance which is possible to do by them by imparting the knowledge, providing basic education, opening up of educational institutions. By these means it will empower and boosts the people or the citizens of the Country to be aware and stand for their rights to get protected.

For getting this purpose to be accomplished they involve themselves with many activities which may include- consultations, workshops and seminars and training courses for those who are abused much in the society as well as for the vulnerable classes. Thus it can be said that the NGO's tends to provide consultative role for the needy.

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