

Human Rights Education (HRE)

- HRE refers to education, training, and information for the purpose of building a universal culture of human rights.
- A comprehensive education in human rights consists of two components: knowledge and information on human rights and the mechanisms that protect these undeniable rights.
- It is important that HRE also impart the skills needed to promote, defend, and apply human rights in daily life.

HRE (Cont...)

- According to the UN decade document for human rights education (1995-2004),
- Human rights education means, “a lifelong process by which people at all levels of development and in all strata of society learn respect for the dignity of others and the means and methods of ensuring that respect in all societies.”

Objectives of HRE

- HRE promotes respect for human rights of all individuals.
- It develops the knowledge, skills, and values of human rights.
- It develops the socio-psychological, human personality.
- It helps people and policy makers to evolve the ways and means to overcome the problems of each nation and that of the International Community.

Objectives of HRE (Cont...)

- It helps to foster understanding, tolerance, gender equality and
- Develops friendship among all nations and eliminates racial, ethnic, religious, and linguistic differences.

Principles of HRE

- Ideally, human rights should be taught at all levels from the preschool stage to the university, with methods appropriate to the age levels.
- All teachers of related subject areas should be able to teach human rights, given some special training on the preferred methodology.
- Human Rights education should be inherent in all subjects, but could be given a special focus as relevant in history and civic education. Aspects of human rights should be integrated into the textbooks.

IMPORTANCE OF HUMAN RIGHT EDUCATION

- Effective human rights education can
- Produce changes in values and attitude
- Produce changes in behavior
- Produce empowerment for social justice
- Develop attitudes of solidarity across issues, communities, and nations
- Develop knowledge and analytical skills
- Encourage participatory education.

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