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Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

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Access to Justice

“Create a national mechanism for the review of complaints of the populations concerning human rights violations” (Russian Federation)

❖ ‘Day of Complaints Consideration’

- ❖ 96% unaware of its implementation
- ❖ Used as a surveillance tool by the state

Recommendations

- ❖ Ensure that the complaints system is implemented without posing threat to citizens using said procedure
- ❖ Incorporate education on human rights and allocate a budget to spread human rights literacy including the right to access justice in the national curriculum
- ❖ Create and introduce a handbook based on international human rights standards including definitions of various rights to be distributed freely in People's Units and Women's Unit meetings, with consultation with the United Nations if needed

Labour Rights

“Take practical measures to provide safer working conditions, suitable for its citizens” (Nicaragua)

- ❖ Lack of electricity, intensity of labour and unrealistic labour quotas

- ❖ Freedom to choose an occupation
 - ❖ 97% state that those who do not have a job face criminal punishments

Recommendations

- ❖ Ensure that every worker is provided with full and regular remuneration without any deductions such as but not limited to loyalty and state support fees
- ❖ Honour the freedom to choose an occupation by dismantling the practice of job assignment by the state, removing any form of discrimination against social class and status, and penalising any state officials who receive bribes during the employment process.

Freedom of Movement

“That steps be taken to further facilitate the easy travel of its citizens abroad” (India)

- ❖ Continuous forced repatriation of citizens crossing the border
- ❖ Restrictions on movement within the country

Recommendations

- ❖ Allow the overseas travel of all North Koreans regardless of regional, educational and family background
- ❖ Seize punishment of citizens who return or are involuntarily returned to the DPRK from abroad



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