

International Human Rights Law and the Protection of Vulnerable Communities

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Abstract

International human rights law establishes legal standards intended to protect human dignity, equality and fundamental freedoms. Vulnerable communities may face heightened risks because of poverty, displacement, discrimination, conflict, disability, migration status or limited access to institutions. This paper examines the principal legal principles, scholarly debates, institutional mechanisms, practical implications and emerging challenges associated with the topic. It adopts an analytical and comparative perspective and emphasizes legal certainty, accountability, procedural fairness and effective remedies.

Keywords

human rights, vulnerable communities, international law, equality, dignity, protection, access to justice

1. Introduction

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4. Legal Analysis and Discussion

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5. Challenges, Policy Implications and Future Research

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Table 1. Key Legal Dimensions

Legal dimension	Example source	Analytical focus
Substantive law	Constitution, statute, treaty	Rights and obligations
Procedural law	Rules of procedure	Fairness and remedies
Institutions	Courts, agencies, regulators	Implementation
Rights	Privacy, equality, liberty	Legal protection
Enforcement	Judicial and administrative remedies	Effectiveness

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