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→ The last sermon of the Holy prophet (PBUH) is the basic document for awakening of consciousness of mankind for human rights. Discuss?

"All creatures are Allah's family and Allah loves those most among those who His creation those who treat his family well and look after their needs"

(Holy Prophet (PBUH), Sahi Bukhari)

Human rights can be defined as those rights through which people can live anywhere and those rights which are accepted everywhere. These rights help individuals live a honest, decent and respectful life. A sense of harmony and unity is propogated when people are aware of these human rights. Before magna carta, and United Nations Universal Declaration of Human rights, the last sermon of the Holy prophet served as a basic and most oldest document which awakened the conscience of mankind for human rights.

Western Approach : A blessing to the mankind

The west have the habit of attributing every good thing to themselves and that it is ~~in~~ their manifest destiny to civilize the people of darkness as they themselves consider them to be light,

civilized and developed people. They consider themselves as a blessing which is bestowed upon the people of darkness and it is their duty to guide them towards light.

The English claimed that they were the first one to introduce the Human Rights ~~in~~ the which was published in 1215 as "Magna Carta" which covered the medieval relationship between the monarchs and the barons rather than ordinary rights of people. This charter remained powerful & iconic document and a symbol of liberty for the Americans & British legal communities. However, up until the 17th century no one knew that the Magna Carta ~~set~~ contained the principle of Trial by Jury, Habeas Corpus, and control of parliament on the Right of Taxation. Practical Proof and demonstration was only seen in the proclamation and constitution of America and France in the 18th century.

Also, the formulation of Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948 formulated a charter of human rights but no regulation or resolution of that charter can be enforced. Thus, there

Lack of enforcement which is evident that the west is a staunch supporter of human rights only in paper and there ~~is~~ is no practicality. United Universal Declaration of Human Rights may be formulated but it has failed to protect the basic human rights in Kashmir, Palestine, ^{and} Syria etc.

Islamic Approach: ~~Rights directly~~

Islamic Approach towards human rights have a vast distinction as compared to the western approach. Through the Islamic point of view, Allah has directly conferred the rights to the individuals and no authority on this earth can amend ~~or~~ violate them.

The ^{UN} charter, proclamations and resolutions of the UN cannot be compared with the rights that are sanctioned by Allah to his people. The former is not applicable anywhere but the latter is applicable to all the believers. These rights are part and parcel of Islamic faith. Every muslim who believes Allah is a believer and has faith, he must accept, recognize and enforce these rights.

And whosoever violates, ~~amman~~ amman or fails to enforce them. Allah has men in the Quran

"Those who do not judge by what Allah has sent down are the disbelievers (kafirun)"

(Al Quran, 5:44)

Then he says

"They are the wrong-doers (zalimum)"

(Al Quran, 5:45)

And

"They are the evil-livers (fasiqun)"

(Al Quran, 5:47)

Last Sermon: Hidayah for All Mankind

Prophet (PBUH) delivered the last sermon on the 9th of Dhu Dhul Hijjah on the Mount Arafah. This sermon was given to about 100,000 Muslims during his last and final pilgrimage. This last sermon is considered largely as a Prophet's will to his companions and an enduring universal message and teaching to the Ummah. This last sermon

It was a hidayah for all mankind and it was an awakening of the conscious of mankind towards human rights. The Last Sermon taught the importance of equality & fair treatment and the prophet spoke in details about the rights of individual and what responsibility they have over each other.

Last Sermon

- Right of Life
- Equality
- Obedience of Rights.
- Rights to property
- Rights of society members
- Rights of workers and slaves
- Eradication of lawlessness
- Economic Rights
- Rights of inheritance
- Right of social identity
- Rights to relieve the debt
- Rights of ownership
- women rights
- Constitutional rights
- Right of state
- Right of Justice
- Eradication of ethnicism
- Right of Awareness for future generation
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① Equality of Human Rights.

The prophet specifically advised the mankind to towards equality and that no one is superior towards other.

The prophet said in his last sermon;

"All mankind is from Adam & Eve, and ~~no~~ Arab has no superiority over non-Arab nor a non-Arab has any superiority over an Arab; also white has no superiority over black nor a black has any superiority over white except by piety and good actions."

② Right to life

وَإِذَا قُلْتُمْ فَاعْلَمُوا

"And kill not soul, which Allah has made sacred except in course of Justice"

(Surah Al-Anaam)

The prophet said in the Last sermon said

"O people, just as you regard this month, this day, this city as sacred, so regard the life and property of every Muslim as a sacred trust."

③ Obedience of Rights

The holy prophet advised the mankind to be obedient towards the rights of individuals and respect one another in order to live in harmony and unity.

Rights to property.
The prophet also mentioned about ^{right of} keeping property and that it is a sacred trust and one should not take the others property to illegitimate means. He said in the sermon

⑤ **Right of Society members** "Return the goods entrusted to you to their rightful owners, your capital however, is yours to keep".

He mentioned that every individual is like a brother to other and that all Muslims form one brotherhood.

⑥ **Right of workers and servants**

He advised the mankind to treat servants and workers kindly and he said

"There are your brothers over whom Allah has granted you authority. You should feed them on what you eat yourself and clothe them and as you clothe yourself."

⑦ **Eradication of lawlessness**

He eradicated lawlessness and ignorance and said

"Behold! All practices of the days of Ignorance are under now under my feet".

⑧ **Economic Rights**

He also mentioned that all interest and usurious ~~debt~~ dues accruing from time to time of ignorance are wiped out. He mentioned

that Islam gives equal economic rights to both man & women. And he also mentioned to give wealth in zakat in order to prevent economic inequality which can harm the people's life.

9) Rights of Inheritance

He also mentioned about the right of inheritance and said

"O people, Allah, the mighty and exalted has ordained to everyone his due share (inheritance)"

10) Right of social identity

He mentioned that

"He who ~~claims~~^{attributes} his ancestry to other than his father, claims his client ship to other than his master, the curse of Allah is upon him."

11) Right to receive the debt

Prophet mentioned regarding the rights to receive the debt. He advised everyone to return the debt and borrowed money to its owner in order to prevent disunity as the owner has right to the money he gave.

12) Right of ownership

He explained that every belonging belongs to its rightful owner and that it must be returned if taken as the owner has its right over his belonging.

13) Women rights

Prophet Muhammad strictly advised the Ummah to treat women fairly and provide them with rights the Allah has conferred. He advised men to respect, protect the chastity of ~~women~~ women and treat them with kindness.

Constitutional rights

He advised all the believers to follow the sunnah and shariah and that oblige the laws in the shariah to prevent from going astray.

15) Rights of state

Prophet also mentioned that state has certain rights which the people has to follow. The people should obey the rulers and at worship Allah.

16) Rights of justice

Prophet explained that every individual is responsible of its own deed and that every individual has the rights for justice in order to seek just and fair trial.

17) Eradication of Ethnicism

He also mentioned that he eradicated ethnicism and that everyone is equal and no ethnicity is superior over others.

18) Right of Awareness of future generation.

He mentioned that it is the right of the future generation to be aware of this message as it is the universal message for the mankind the future generation may be more mindful in understanding the message of the last sermon.