

CALL FOR CHAPTER CONTRIBUTION

Human Rights Situation Assessment in Nigeria Book

1. The National Human Rights Commission invites contributions for publication of the *Human Rights Situation Assessment in Nigeria Book 2022*

The *Human Rights Situation Assessment in Nigeria Book* is produced pursuant to Section 5(c) of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) Act 2010 which obligates the Commission to publish and submit from time to time, to the President, National Assembly, Report on the State of Human Rights in Nigeria.

This Call seeks the participation of CSOs in monitoring, documentation and reporting human rights for publication.

The Commission therefore requests the CSOs to contribute Chapters to the book by submission of documented human rights issues for consideration for publication in line with Thematic Areas shown below. Please note that criminal matter are not included.

(See list of Thematic Areas under which a Chapter Contribution may fall) -

- a. Women And Gender Related Matters
- b. Children
- c. Corruption, Election and Good Governance
- d. Prison, Police And Detention Centers and Regulatory Agencies
- e. Environment, Niger, Delta and Development
- f. Education
- g. Freedom of Peaceful Assembly, Association, Religion and Belief
- h. Torture and Extra-Judicial Killing
- i. Law Reforms and Law Review
- j. Independence of the Judiciary and Access to Justice
- k. Labour
- l. Food and Shelter
- m. Terrorism and other Related Violence
- n. Health
- o. Freedom of Expression and the Media
- p. Human Rights and Business
- q. Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- r. Refugees, IDPS, Migrants, and Asylum Seekers
- s. Human Rights Defenders

2. Chapter Contributions are to comply with OSCOLA Reference guide. See www.law.ox.uk/oscola

a. Key features of chapters are –

- i. It is contextualized - the human right violation is identified up-front (Introduction)
- ii. It is positioned with the literature (Literature review)
- iii. Analysis undertaken to be critical
- iv. Clear and intelligible

b. Human Rights Violation/abuse observed to comply with the template below:

- a. Must come under a Human Rights thematic area
- b. must contain factual occurrences, not hearsay
- c. disclose human rights infringement and preliminary step taken , such as report to relevant institution
- d. disclose date and location of occurrence
- e. Sex of Victim (Y for Male, X for female)
- f. Sex of Alleged Violator/Perpetrator
- g. Name and Contact details of submitting CSO - telephone number and email

HOW TO SUBMIT

Make submission to: humanrightsinnigeria@nhrc.gov.ng

There will be subsequent debriefing on :

- i. Elements of Human Rights Documentation and Reporting with reference to provisions of Standard Orders and Rules of Procedure(STORP) of the Commission
- ii. OSCOLA Reference guide/key features of scholarly /academic writing for Publication of ***Human Rights Situation Assessment in Nigeria Book.***

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Examples Disaggregated Across Some Thematic Areas :

Thematic Area – Right to Life

i. The Commission received a complaint dated 24th April, 2019 from XY who lives behind NIPCO Filling Station, Runde Baru Yola South. He alleged that on the 14th April, 2019 around 1:30am Police men from the Doubeli Divisional Police Station Yola North came to his brother's house and arrested him in the presence of his family members at Federal Housing Unit, Girei LGA.

XY further alleged that the victim was taken to the station where he was detained and tortured which eventually led to his death.

Thematic Area - Right to Health

ii. On 9th January, 2018 Daily Trust Newspaper on Page 44 reported that the bill on gunshot wound victims to be treated without police report had been signed into law as the Compulsory Treatment and Care for Victims of Gunshot Act 2017. The Senior Special Assistant to the President on National Assembly matters said the gunshot Act specifically stipulates that a person with gunshot wound should be received for immediate and adequate treatment by any hospital in Nigeria with or without an initial momentary deposit.

Thematic Area - Right to Dignity

iii. On 21st May 2018, the Commission received a complaint from Y, alleging that he was arrested by men of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) who handcuffed, slapped and chained him to a tyre at the back of their van. They also locked him in an over-crowded room.

Thematic Area - Right to Freedom from Discrimination

Iv. The Commission received a complaint from X dated 7th Nov, 2018 alleging that they are 5 children (siblings); 3 females and 2 males. X claimed that after the demise of their mother in 2012, their eldest brother took administration of their late mother's 10 rooms facility to the exclusion of the female children. She further alleged that they are discriminated on the basis that they are females