





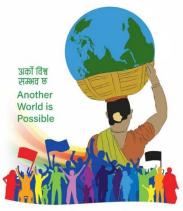
South Asia Research Institute for Minorities

Introduction

South Asia Research Institute for Minorities (SARIM) is an organization having the vision of defending the rights of minorities of South Asia. The institute aims towards highlighting the plight and victimization faced by marginalized minority communities. SARIM – through a regularly updated database, publication of annual reports and research work, international conferences, seminars, and webinars with field experts and researchers – promote the culture of constructive dialogue to highlight the issues and vulnerabilities faced by minority communities and to raise voice to safeguard their rights, specifically within South Asia countries.







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World Social Forum 2024

Introduction

The World Social Forum (WSF) is an annual meeting of civil society organizations. The WSF can be considered a visible manifestation of global civil society, bringing together non-governmental organizations, advocacy campaigns, and formal and informal social movements seeking international solidarity. The forum prefers to define itself as "an open space – plural, diverse, non-governmental and non-partisan – that stimulates the decentralized debate, reflection, proposal building, experiences exchange and alliances among movements and organizations engaged in concrete action towards a more solidary, democratic and fair world; a permanent space and process to build alternatives to neoliberalism."





Preamble:

Discrimination based on religious, ethnic, or caste differences continues to be a pervasive challenge across the globe, impacting the lives of minorities and hindering the attainment of global peace. The need for inclusive communities that respect and celebrate diversity is paramount. The South Asia Research Institute for Minorities (SARIM) recognizes the urgency of addressing these issues and believes that an international seminar is a crucial step toward fostering understanding, dialogue, and collaboration.

Significance of Topic:

The seminar on the "Charter of Inclusive Communities" aims to envision the significance of inclusivity and mitigating casteism and religious and ethnic discrimination. It provides a platform for scholars, activists, policymakers, and organizations to come together, share insights, and strategize on navigating the complexities of minorities' marginalization based on caste, ethnicity, and religion. By crafting a vision for global peace through inclusivity, the seminar aims to contribute to the creation of societies that embrace diversity and reject exclusion.

Aims and Objectives of the Webinar

The aim of this event is to achieve the following goals:

- *Facilitate Dialogue:* Create a space for open and constructive dialogue among diverse stakeholders, including scholars, activists, policymakers, and community leaders, to explore the nuances of discrimination against minorities.
- <u>Share Insights and Best Practices:</u> Provide a platform for exceptional minds to share research findings, personal experiences, and successful strategies in addressing marginalization, fostering understanding, and promoting inclusive communities.
- <u>Draft a Charter of Inclusive Communities:</u> Initiate discussions and collaborations towards the development of a comprehensive charter that outlines principles and strategies for building inclusive communities globally.





Crafting a 'Charter of Inclusive Communities'

The seminar will just be the beginning. We're on a mission to unite with influential contributors and organizations, pooling our expertise to create a groundbreaking 'Charter of Inclusive Communities.' This visionary document will be presented to global human rights and peace organizations, reshaping policies and practices worldwide. This collective initiative will be a driving force for a more inclusive world.

Sub-Themes of the Seminar

- Educational Empowerment and Inclusivity
- Women Empowerment
- Media Representation and Its Influence on Minorities
- Economic Inclusion and Entrepreneurship
- Healthcare Disparities and Inclusivity
- Cultural Preservation and Inclusivity
- Inclusivity for People with Physical Challenges

This seminar seeks to create a collaborative platform where voices from diverse backgrounds converge to address the challenges of exclusion from mainstream domains faced by religious and ethnic minorities, fostering a vision for global peace rooted in inclusivity. Through this endeavor, we aim to contribute meaningfully to the ongoing discourse on human rights, diversity, and the pursuit of a more equitable world.

Co-Organizers

- Asia Dalit Rights Forum (ADRF)
- International Commission for Dalit Rights (ICDR)
- Feminist Dalit Organization (FEDO)
- WAYVE Foundation
- Forum of Religious for Justices and Peace
- Dalit Human Rights Defenders Network (DHRDNet)
- Rastrya Dalit Network (RDN)
- Dalit Women Network (DWN)
- Madheshi Dalit NGO Federation
- Dalit NGO Federation Nepal (DNF)
- Dalit Janakalyan Yuba Club (DJKYC)





Key Details

Title: Charter of Inclusive Communities: Navigating Minorities' Discrimination and Crafting a Vision for Global Peace Organizer: South Asia Research Institute for Minorities Event: World Social Forum 2024 Date: 16th February 2024 Time: 11:30 am – 13:00 pm Nepali Time Duration of speaking for each speaker: 7 to 8 minutes Venue: Nepal Law Campus, Block C, Ground Floor, Room 3, Kathmandu, Nepal Link: Twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/OrgSarifm</u> YouTube: <u>https://twitter.com/OrgSarifm</u> YouTube: <u>https://sarimwatch.org</u> Email address: <u>research_d@sarimwatch.org</u>

We invite scholars, activists, and organizations to join us in this important conversation and collectively work towards crafting a vision for a more inclusive and peaceful global community.