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THE ROLE OF THE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN THE PHILIPINES AMIDST THE PANDEMIC:

Contributing factors, and mitigating measures
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ABSTRACT

Many individuals suffer from human abuses like human trafficking, drug related concerns which are protected by powerful and influential people who are connected in the government which resulted to corruption and poverty in the philippines. There is a need to reform these wrong practices which are experienced by the majority of our constituents. So the Humanitarian Group plays a vital role in this situation by ensuring and monitoring the Sustainability, Growth, and Development of our Community in transforming nation-building.

Keywords: Humanitarian, Movement, Pandemic

INTRODUCTION:

The purpose of the study was establish how effective the role played by the International Human Rights Movement Philippines in promoting and protecting human rights in the Philippines.

Many individuals suffer from human abuses like human trafficking, drug-related concerns which are protected by powerful and influential people who are connected in the government which resulted to corruption and poverty in the Philippines. Furthermore, There is a need to strengthen & support all Nations' capacity to engage in Sustainable Development and Goal (SDG) which is the core functions of the IHRM through access to education, relief programs, ecological, bioethical reflections & actions, whereas compelling into considerations the traditional, social & cultural values of each Nations. Stakeholders must coordinate a complex response to address COVID-19 in humanitarian settings that incorporate appropriate health protocol that set forth resource-stratified guidelines for the use of limited testing and also provides resources to treat affected patients and engages displaced populations, (Alawa, 2020). The International Human Rights Movement Philippines (IHRM Phil, Inc.) was established last January 2021 by the International Human Rights Movement Main based in Geneva, Switzerland headed by the President and Founder Dr. Rana Basharat Ali Khan of Pakistan and the appointed Ambassador at Large and Country Ambassador to the Philippines is Dr. Froilan D. Mobo.

The location of the Philippine office is at Matain, Subic, Zambales, Philippines which is also registered legally under the Security and Exchange Commissions (SEC). The Mission Statement of the group is to strengthen & support all Nations' capacity to engage in sustainable development, (Mission Statement – IHRM, 2020). Furthermore, disaster risk assistance is also handled effectively by the humanitarian aid operations, but limited attention has been directed near the system-wide structure of inter-organisational coordination during humanitarian operation, (Moore et al., 2003, p. 307).

To date, in cooperation with local organizations, the IHRM has carried out humanitarian aid for over for several thousand people around the world. Through hundreds of our active volunteers associated in the IHRC Special Monitoring Mission, we are active in all corners of the world, running humanitarian aid programs, raising awareness, and protecting human rights, and monitoring local social and political situations. The role of international Human Rights in Turkey's peacebuilding is to pursue low-level peacebuilding which focus on interaction with grassroots as opposed to the high-level peace building of the nation based on official interaction as anchored in the United Nations Sustainability, Development, and Goals (SDG), (Aras, 2015).

There is a need to reform these wrong practices which are experienced by the majority of our constituents specifically in the area of Subic, Zambales where there is a dearth of water supply for 3 years now, helping in church construction

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and other humanitarian movement as needed. So the Humanitarian Group plays a vital role in this situation by ensuring and monitoring the Sustainability, Growth, and Development of our Community in transforming nation-building.

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM:

- 1. What is the status of human rights in the Philippines as far as understanding, awareness and provision of human rights is concerned?
- 2. How effective has Transparency International in the Philippines has been in promoting human rights?
- 3. How effective have the civil society organization been in promoting human rights in the Philippines?
- 4. What challenges have hindered/lowered the effectiveness of civil society organization in promoting and protecting human rights in the Philippines?

METHODOLOGY:

The study where conducted in selected different international humanitarian groups within the Member of United Nations using randomly sampling technique. The determination of humanitarian action is to support people affected by armed conflicts and other disasters by helping them to save their lives, relieve their suffering, uphold their dignity, assistance to their recovery and increase their resilience. Today's global international humanitarian system is a major achievement in modern international relations in most United Nations Country., (Slim, 2020).Random Sampling Technique is a simple random sample in every member of the population has an equal chance of being selected to be considered as respondents of the said study.

Locale of the Study:

Countries Grouped by United Nations

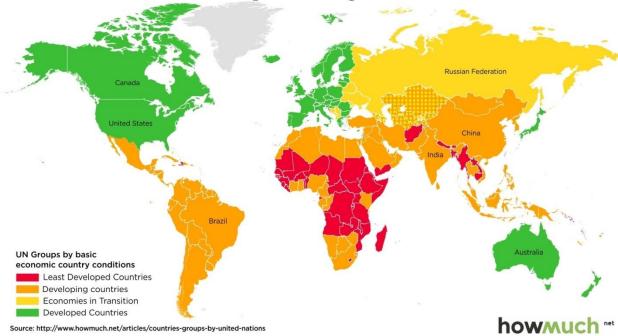


Figure 1. Map of the United Nations

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Descriptive Research Design will be used in this type of study because it is a type of research that describes a population, a situation, or phenomenon that is being studied and It focuses on answering the questions how, what, when, and where q If a research problem, rather than the why. An online data gathering instrument survey form will be used during the conduct of the study and it will automatically generate a graphical data analysis result. It is much more convenient for the researcher to interpret the data analysis results using an online google form using a scale of Yes or No or dichotomous questions and was adopted to the unpublished thesis of Oriwa Allan, (Oriwa, 2017). Dichotomous questions are used for a clear distinction of qualities, experiences, or respondent's opinions. There are 15 humanitarian advocates who have answered the online survey form and quantitative statistical treatment will be used to automatically interpret the data.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS:

Profile of the respondents when group according to:

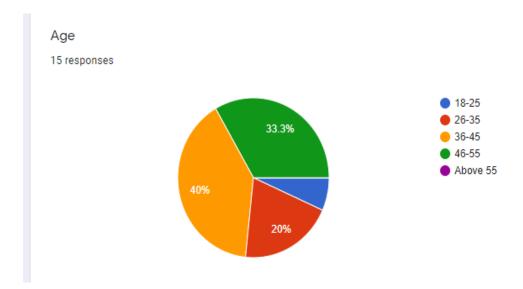


Figure 2: According to Age

This shows that there are 6.7% respondents which belongs to 18 - 25 years old group participated in the study while there are 20% respondents belongs to 26-35 years old group and 40% respondents belongs to 36 - 45 years old when group according to Age.

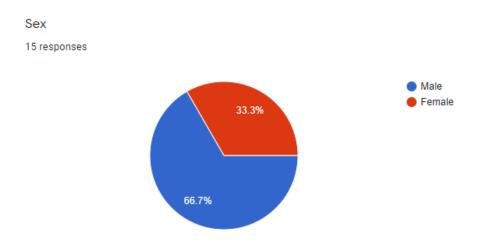
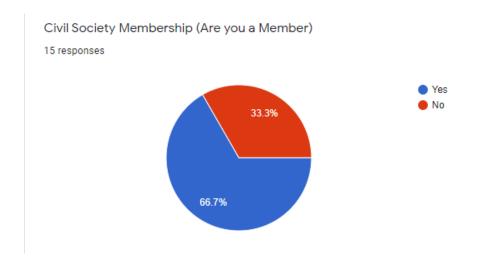


Figure 3: According to Sex

This shows that there are 33.3% respondents which belongs to Female group participated in the study while there are 66.7% respondents belongs to Male group when group according to Sex.



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Figure 4: According to Civil Society

This shows that there are 33.3% respondents answered No while there are 66.7% respondents answered YES.

On Human Rights

Do you understand what is the mearning of Human Rights?

15 responses

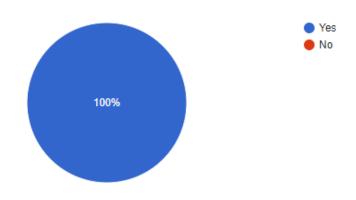


Figure 5: Do you understand what is the meaning of Human Rights

This shows that there are 100% respondents who understand the meaning of Human Rights.

Do you know transparency International?

15 responses

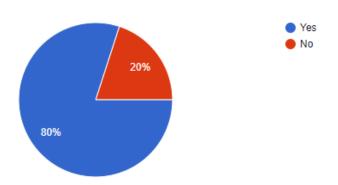


Figure 6: Do you know transparency International

This shows that there are 20% respondents answered No while there are 80% respondents answered YES.

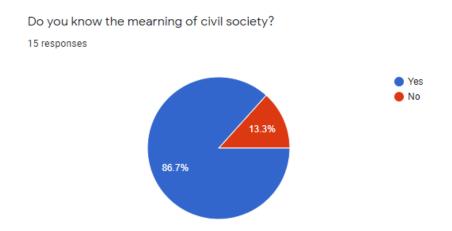


Figure 7: Do you know the meaning of civil society?

This shows that there are 13.3% respondents answered No while there are 86.7% respondents answered YES.

Are the following actions of Transparency International, Catholic relief Services, Empower a child in the Philippine or any other civil society organization in your area effective in promoting human rights?

Monitoring accountability of government activities with regard to human rights
15 responses



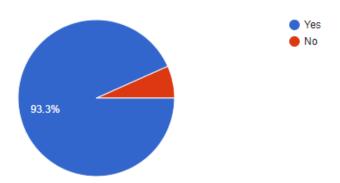


Figure 8: Monitoring accountability of government activities with regard to human rights

This shows that there are 6.7% respondents answered No while there are 93.3% respondents answered YES.

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15 responses

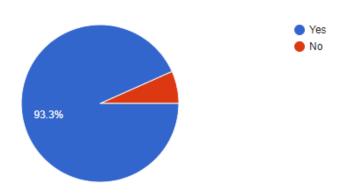
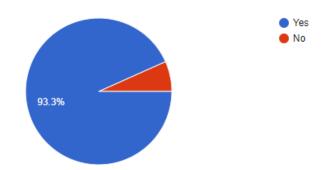


Figure 9: Ensuring government transparency in its undertakings?

This shows that there are 6.7% respondents answered No while there are 93.3% respondents answered YES.

Engaging in influencing government policies?

15 responses



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Figure 10: Engaging in influencing government policies?

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Advocating for Social change towards the protection and promotion of human rights 15 responses

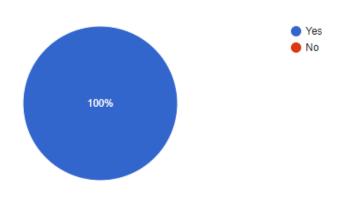


Figure 11: Advocating for Social change towards the protection and promotion of human rights?

This shows that there are 100% respondents who are advocate for Social change towards the protection and promotion of human rights.

On the Effectiveness of transparency International and civil society organizations in the protection and promotion of Human Rights in the Philippines



Figure 12. Transparency International and Civil Society Organization effetive in prmoting and protecting Human Rights in the Philippines

This shows that there are 6.7% respondents answered No while there are 93.3% respondents answered YES.

What do you think about the effectiveness of these organizations in protecting and promoting human rights in the Philippines?

15 responses

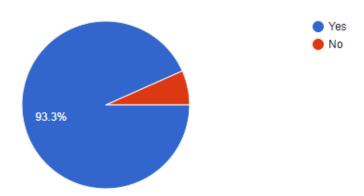


Figure 13. Effectiveness of the organizations in protecting and promoting human rights in the Philippine

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The problem if linking small locale based projects with a wider region challenge heir performance or recognition

15 responses

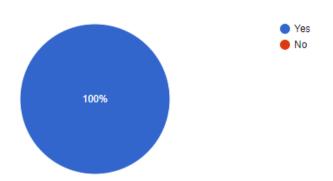


Figure 14. Small locale based projects with a wider region challenges

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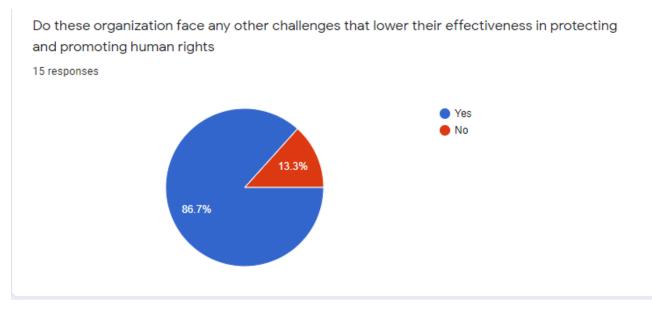


Figure 15. Challenges that lower their effectiveness in protecting and promoting human rights

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CONCLUSIONS:

In conclusions the role of the humanitarian group amidst covid-

19 shows that there are positive responses coming from the stakeholders and advocates of the mitigating factors that can be measured in adhering the Sustainability, Development and Goals (SDG) of the United Nations core functions

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

The researcher recommends further studies to expand and enhance the current study about the role of the human rights movement.

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