
Qatar Human Rights Committee Marks National Day with Renewed Commitment



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Doha, November 11, 2025 (RKI) – The National Human Rights Committee (NHRC) celebrated the Qatar Human Rights Day on Tuesday, marking the 23rd anniversary of the committee’s establishment in 2002. The event honored key national institutions and partners for their contributions to advancing human rights across the country.

In her address, Her Excellency Maryam bint Abdullah Al Attiyah, Chairperson of the NHRC, emphasized the importance of strengthening partnerships with all stakeholders and reaffirmed the committee's commitment to promoting human dignity and equality.

“Over the past 23 years, the National Human Rights Committee has become a pioneering model, both nationally and internationally,” Al Attiyah said. “We welcome the new Law on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, which incorporates our recommendations and aligns with international standards. We remain dedicated to empowering vulnerable groups and ensuring their participation in decision-making.”

She announced the creation of four specialized units focusing on the rights of women, children, persons with disabilities, and older persons, aimed at enhancing protection measures and integrating rights-based approaches in public policy. Al Attiyah also reaffirmed the committee's determination to continue monitoring challenges, offering policy recommendations, and promoting education and awareness on human rights across society.

Rashid Mohammed Al Hamda Al Nuaimi, CEO of the Qatar Foundation for Social Work, praised the NHRC for recognizing institutions that serve priority groups, noting that such appreciation reflects Qatar's commitment to social justice and human dignity.

Sultan bin Hassan Al Jamali, NHRC Secretary-General, presented an overview of the committee's

institutional development, including the establishment of five new departments, among them Strategic Planning and Quality, to align activities with the NHRC's 2024–2030 Strategic Plan.

He highlighted major achievements, including new cooperation agreements with the Ombudsman of Turkey, the Asia-Pacific Forum, the International Labour Organization (ILO), and the Social Research Center of Azerbaijan. Al Jamali also noted NHRC's co-organization of major international conferences – one on Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights in partnership with the UN Human Rights Office and UNDP, and another on Protection of Journalists in Armed Conflicts with Al Jazeera Center for Public Liberties and Human Rights and UNESCO.

The NHRC participated in seven sessions of the UN Human Rights Council and actively engaged in regional mechanisms, including the Arab Charter Committee and the OIC Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission.

As part of its education initiatives, the committee conducted training programs for 1,278 students across 29 schools, 120 cadets at the National Service Academy, and 81 lectures reaching 2,800 students under the Police of Tomorrow program. Additionally, 17 field visits were carried out to monitor human rights conditions in various institutions during the first half of 2025.