

## Kashmir observes World Human Rights day with resolve to continue struggle for freedom of IIOJK from Indian yoke till last victory:



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MIRPUR (AJK): Dec. 10: Like rest of the world , the World Human Rights Day was also observed at both sides of the Line of Control (LoC) – IIOJK and AJK on Wednesday with the unanimous demand for early end of the ongoing massive human rights abuses, against innocent population in the disputed Indian Illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir state as well as by similar aggressive forces in various other parts of the world including occupied Palestine.

Major ceremony to mark the international human rights day was held under the auspices of Kashmir Press Club in Mirpur on Wednesday-addressing to which speakers urged the United Nations human rights organizations and the international community to play their full and effective role in stopping human rights violations by Indian occupation forces in occupied Jammu Kashmir state especially in lifting restrictions on the media in the occupied territory.

The ceremony was addressed among others by President Kashmir Press Club Syed Abid Hussain Shah, Convener Jammu Kashmir Free Media Association and ex President of the Press club Altaf Hamid Rao, Secretary General Press Club Raja Sohrab Khan and others.

The speakers said that India has been committing barbaric atrocities and killings on the innocent Kashmiri people in occupied Jammu and Kashmir for the past 78 years, and during this time, India has committed various acts of genocide against more than one million Kashmiri Muslims, and this tragic series continues till date.

Under the ongoing restrictions imposed on the media in the occupied state, several print and electronic media houses have been closed and several newspapers, including the renowned English daily Kashmir Times, have been shifted to other countries. they underlined. The speakers once again made it clear that Kashmir was a smoldering spark that can be destructive for regional and global peace. They urged the world powers, including the United Nations, to play their role in

ensuring the right of self-determination to the people of Jammu and Kashmir through early peaceful settlement of Kashmir issue.

Earlier addressing a mammoth World Human Rights Day rally held jointly under the auspices of various Human Rights. Social and political organisations called for the measures by the international human rights outfits to move for ensuring the grant of basic human rights in the areas including in the strife-torn Indian occupied Jammu Kashmir state where the masses comprising all segments of the civil society were being denied their due human rights – including Kashmiris globally-acknowledged birth right to self determination.

Speakers vehemently condemned the continued rather increased human rights abuses against the innocent Kashmiris including the media in the occupied Jammu Kashmir at the hands of the Indian occupation forces.

They also condemned the brutal tactics to suppress the voice of press in occupied Jammu & Kashmir.

The human right activists called upon the world community to take immediate notice of the fast raising human rights abuses as well as continued reign of violence unleashed against the innocent people including journalists by the Indian troops in Indian occupied valley.

Addressing another identical ceremony held under the auspices of Jammu Kashmir Liberation League to mark the day under the auspices of the local civil society, key speakers including Dr. Iftikhar Ahmed warned India to immediately stop the barbarous activities in the occupied state and instead positively respond to resume the result oriented dialogue process with Pakistan in order to ensure the early peaceful resolution of the core issue of Kashmir, they added.

Speakers reiterated the demand to the United Nations that the Jammu & Kashmir people should be given the opportunity to determine their future in accordance with their wishes and aspirations and United Nations resolutions.

The rights activists urged upon the world community to move for playing a constructive role for an early peaceful solution of the Jammu Kashmir problem in line with the wishes people of the J & K State.

The international community, speakers stressed, should realize the gravity of the situation in South Asia following existence of the long-standing unresolved global issue of Jammu Kashmir and offer their help for early resolution of this lingering conflict to pave the way for the emergence of everlasting durable peace in South East Asia, they urged.