

Sustainable Peace Requires Real Investment in Human Awareness: NHRC Official



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GENEVA, March 7 : Secretary-General of the National Human Rights Committee (NHRC), HE

Sultan bin Hassan Al Jammali, emphasized that achieving lasting peace cannot rely solely on laws, but requires genuine investment in human awareness, education, and the promotion of tolerance and mutual respect.

Al Jammali made these remarks in a recorded intervention during the 61st regular session of the United Nations Human Rights Council held in Geneva. He stressed that sustainable peace must be built through addressing the root causes of violence by strengthening human rights education and encouraging a culture that respects diversity and acceptance of others.

He called for enhancing the role of national institutions in developing innovative educational and awareness programs that target various segments of society. According to Al Jammali, such initiatives should instill the values of peace from the earliest stages of education, emphasizing that peace begins with awareness and a deeper understanding of human dignity.

The NHRC Secretary-General also highlighted the vital role national human rights institutions play in promoting a culture of peace. This includes spreading awareness, encouraging dialogue and coexistence, and strengthening understanding of human rights as a unifying message that protects human dignity across different religious, cultural, political, and ideological identities.

Al Jammali noted that discussions on protecting human dignity come at a time when the culture of peace is more urgent than ever. The world, he said, is witnessing rising conflicts, acts of genocide, declining trust, and the continued suffering of people at the hands of others.

He stressed that the current global reality requires greater courage and influence in addressing these challenges, including rethinking approaches within the United Nations system itself. Al Jammali further questioned whether the current framework of international law is sufficient to achieve peace, suggesting that humanity may need a deeper humanitarian and moral approach to complement existing legal structures.