



Editorial

Human rights in its comprehensive sense

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Positive engagement with human rights groups and associations, whether objective, politicized, of serious attitudes or slogans mongers, is a very important type of dialogue, necessary and useful for blocking the attempts to disseminate misconceptions, false statements and baseless claims on human rights issues in Egypt.

It is a dialogue that has achieved its goal in some cases, but at all times didn't leave the arena of public opinion open for them - especially the malicious ones - spoiling the attempts of some of them to turn lies into facts in the minds to manage building on them more fabricated and incorrect conclusions.

In addition, it is necessary to emphasize that the reality of human rights in Egypt requires an integrated view of these rights in their comprehensive sense, what have been achieved and what are under way.

The first and most important human right is the right to life, and protection from threats posed to human life. As for this right, Egypt has made major steps in the last four years as it successfully confronted the most serious threat to human life in Egypt, namely, terrorism. Egypt's achievement in confronting terrorist groups was praised by the whole world, but the most important beneficiary of this effort and the sacrifices made to achieve this goal is the Egyptian citizen himself. In this regard, statistics indicate that terrorist operations in the valley and the Delta have declined from 222 terrorist operations in 2014 to 50 in 2017



to about 8 operations in 2018, two of which were aborted. The decline in the number of terrorist attacks and the number of victims, martyrs and the wounded, coinciding with the growing security and stability in the country, was positively reflected on the lives of citizens, tourism, investment, hope and work in all areas.

In terms of economic and social human rights, much progress has been achieved in the areas of economic growth; declining unemployment rates, increasing employment opportunities, opening up investment areas and important steps towards economic reform have been accomplished for the benefit of all citizens.

At the same time, this economic development was accompanied by a more unique social protection network compared to the reform experiences in the world. It helped to protect the low income classes from the negative effects of economic reform and embodied the responsibility of the state in fulfilling the social rights of citizens, especially the most vulnerable socio-economic groups, in addition to caring for people with disabilities and most eligible care-receiving groups.

Furthermore, the efforts to develop education, health services, water and sanitation facilities, roads, social housing, etc.. are also human rights of vital importance to citizens.

Through the comprehensive concept of human rights, we could see how far these rights have been achieved in Egypt during the last few years, without truncating and shortening them in a political or criminal aspect , in spite of its importance. A lot has been achieved in their protection and preservation as per the Constitution of Egypt 2014, which by all standards includes advanced provisions on all aspects of the comprehensive concept of human rights.