PREFACE

The present research work is related to investigation of working methods of National Human Rights Commission of India. The National Human Rights Commission is required to maintain impartiality, objectivity and integrity in discharging its duties. This role can be expected to be fulfilled only when the National Human Rights Commission is free from political pressure and becomes autonomous institution like other constitutionally established institutions. While investigating the composition, power and functions of the National Human Rights Commission it has been found that certain provisions of the Protection of Human Rights Act 1993 are defective in nature. It has therefore, become essential to address the problems. Though the Act is amended, there is a feeling that these amendments do not go far enough to remove the fears and apprehensions of the people.

The investigator feels that such an investigation has a very effective role to perform in the protection and promotion of human rights in the country. In view of the above, an exhaustive study on the working of the Commission needs to be analyzed. However, no such extensive academic research evaluation in the opinion of the researcher has been undertaken till date. Hence, the present study is undertaken.

In analyzing the working of the National Human Rights Commission, the investigator emphasizes to analyze the extent to which the Act provides for a proper definition of human rights, the proper pattern of working of the
Commission, the effectiveness of the reports submitted to the government, the legal effect of concluding observation of the Commission, the difficulties faced by the Commission, the nature of technical and procedural requirements that are to be adopted to make it more effective and in tune with other International Human Rights Bodies under the treaty system.

While analyzing the work the investigator has adopted the methodology which comprises of primary and secondary sources. The research work adopted is both empirical and doctrinal in nature. The investigator has divided the research work into eight chapters and has made an attempt to cover up all concerned aspects of the National Human Rights Commission of India so that the very purpose of the creation of the National Human Rights Commission of India would be effective in real sense.

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