

Abstract of Doctoral Dissertation

Protection of Human Rights vis-a-vis Role of Police in the Maintenance of Law and Order : A Critical Study¹

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I. Introduction

A WELFARE STATE is to be a police state only protection of law and order is the main function of the state. This function is carried out with the help of police. This is regarded as a sovereign function even today. This function by the state is considered as the most important and fundamental. The state has to implement many measures for the benefit and welfare of the people.

The police in a democratic polity perform multiple and complex tasks towards this objective, the police have to be an effective organisation for the prevention, detection and investigation of crime, maintenance of law and order, protection of lives, liberties, and honour and possessions of the people, to bring offenders to justice and to render honest and impartial service of the people. However, the changing internal security scenario has added a new dimension to the tasks of the police and brought the police force closer to the center. State of governance within the increasingly tentative internal security situation in large parts of the country consequently, it is an urgent imperative to secure a police organisation that is structurally cohesive functionally competent and operationally oriented to fulfil the wide ranging goals of the organization in providing efficient as well as qualitative services to the people in performing this, the police must maintain highest standards of integrity professionalism and service orientation while acting within the framework of the constitution and laws of the land.

The police at the present day have enormous responsibilities. On the one hand, the police have to maintain the law and order in the society. On the other hand, they should not violate human rights, which are guaranteed

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