
Abbreviations

ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
ASK	Ain o Salish Kendro (Bangladesh)
CASHRA	Canadian Association of Statutory Human Rights Agencies
CAT	Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment
CEC	Constitutional and Electoral Commission (Tonga)
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women
CERD	Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
CGE	Commission on Gender Equality
CHRC	Canadian Human Rights Commission
CHRI	Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
CSO	Civil society organisation
ECOSOC	Economic and Social Council
ESCRs	Economic, social and cultural rights
FCO	Foreign and Commonwealth Office (UK)
HRC	Human Rights Council
HRCM	Human Rights Commission of Maldives
HRU	Human Rights Unit
ICC	International Co-ordinating Committee of the National Institutions for the promotion and protection of Human Rights
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
LGBT	Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender
MFAT	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (New Zealand)
MoJ	Ministry of Justice (UK)
MWC	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families
NGO	Non-governmental organisation
NHRI	National Human Rights Institution
ODA	Overseas development assistance
OHCHR	Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
OPCAT	Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture
P5	Permanent five members of the UN Security Council

SAHRC	South African Human Rights Commission
UK	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UPR	Universal Periodic Review
WiLDAF	Women in Law and Development in Africa

