

TABLE 19.3: NUMBER OF CASES SUBMITTED AND COMPLETED BY THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, 2014 - 2018

rights	Type of cases	2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			Total
		Total Number of Cases submitted	Ongoing	Completed	Total Number of Cases submitted	Ongoing	Completed	Total Number of Cases submitted	Ongoing	Completed	Total Number of Cases submitted	Ongoing	Completed	Total Number of Cases submitted	Ongoing	Completed	
	Total	527	285	244	591	194	775	538	477	1190	365	164	576	396	152	400	5242
17	Non-discrimination	1	1	0	5	3	3	0	1	4	0	0	3	1	0	1	17
18	Duty of the State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	18
20	Equality	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	20
21	Right to life	5	3	2	7	2	9	4	7	5	7	8	5	13	6	12	21
23	Economic and social rights	0	58	62	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
23(a)	adequate and nutritious food and clean water	9	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	23(a)
23(b)	clothing and housing	23	0	0	30	0	122	135	0	164	11	7	8	14	2	17	23(b)
23(c)	good standards of health care, physical and mental	78	0	0	83	0	97	69	78	123	71	40	101	96	46	88	23(c)
23(d)	a healthy and ecologically balanced environment	5	0	0	19	0	31	9	1	18	1	3	5	9	3	10	23(d)
23(e)	equal access to means of communication, the State media, transportation facilities, and the natural resources of the country	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	23(e)
23(f)	the establishment of a sewage system of a reasonably adequate standard on every inhabited island;	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23(f)
23(g)	the establishment of an electricity system of a reasonably adequate standard on every inhabited island that is commensurate to that island	3	0	0	6	0	10	4	2	8	0	0	1	0	0	0	23(g)
24	Privacy	3	0	3	2	1	4	0	1	5	1	1	0	5	0	6	24
25	No slavery or forced labour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	25
26	Rights to vote and run for public office	8	0	8	0	0	3	7	0	12	1	0	1	12	3	9	26
27	Freedom of expression	0	0	0	32	18	14	0	1	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
28	Freedom of the media	1	1	0	2	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	28
29	Freedom of acquiring and imparting knowledge	2	2	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
30	Freedom to form political parties, associations and societies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	2	1	1	30
31	Freedom of Assembly	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
32	Freedom of assembly	1	0	0	5	5	2	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	32
33	Right to protect reputation & name	4	3	1	1	0	6	4	0	11	0	0	2	0	0	0	33
34	Right to marry and establishment of the family	0	10	9	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
34(a)	Every person of marriageable age as determined by law has the right to marry, and to establish a family as specified in law. The family, being the natural and fundamental unit of society, is entitled to special protection by society and the State	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	9	0	5	2	3	0	8	34(a)
34(b)	Children must be afforded special protection as specified in law in the event of a marital breakdown of the parents	14	0	0	7	0	12	1	12	0	0	0	4	0	0	3	34(b)
35	Social protection to children, young, elderly and disadvantaged people	0	54	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
35(a)	Children and young people are entitled to special protection and special assistance from the family, the community and the State. Children and young people shall not be harmed, sexually abused, or discriminated against in any manner and shall be free from unsuitable social and economic exploitation. No person shall obtain undue benefit from their labour	60	0	0	60	0	46	55	117	88	37	43	93	25	14	41	35(a)
35(b)	Elderly and disadvantaged persons are entitled to protection and special assistance from the family, the community and the State	20	0	0	20	0	27	10	24	18	20	11	27	28	16	23	35(b)
36	Right to education	0	10	8	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36
36(a)	Everyone has the right to education without discrimination of any kind	18	0	0	21	0	26	7	0	21	3	1	4	4	0	4	36(a)
36(b)	Primary and secondary education shall be freely provided by the State. It is imperative on parents and the State to provide children with primary and secondary education. Opportunity for higher education shall be generally accessible to all citizens.	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36(b)
36(c)	Education shall strive to inculcate obedience to Islam, instill love for Islam, foster respect for human rights, and promote understanding, tolerance and friendship among all people.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	36(c)
37	Right to work	0	12	36	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
37(a)	Every citizen has the right to engage in any employment or occupation	18	0	0	19	0	24	4	7	22	3	4	2	2	0	2	37(a)
37(b)	Everyone is entitled to just and safe conditions of work, fair wages, equal remuneration for work of equal value, and equal opportunity for promotion	30	0	0	30	0	39	29	7	79	10	5	18	15	6	16	37(b)
37(c)	Everyone has the right to rest and leisure, including limits on hours of work and periodic holidays with pay.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37(c)
38	Every one engaged in employment with the State shall have the right of pension as provided by law	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	3	0	3	0	6	38
40	Right to acquire and hold property	0	0	1	0	2	0	2	1	8	4	2	2	0	0	0	40
40(a)	Every citizen has the right to acquire, own, inherit, transfer or otherwise transact of such property.	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	40(a)
40(b)	Private property shall be inviolable, and may only be compulsorily acquired by the State for the public good, as expressly prescribed by law, and as authorised by order of the court. Fair and adequate compensation shall be paid in all cases, as determined by the court	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	40(b)
41	Freedom of movement and establishment	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	1	8	3	0	10	2	1	1	41
42	Fair and transparent hearings	0	10	3	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	42
42(a)	In the determination of one's civil rights and obligations or of any criminal charge, everyone is entitled to a fair and public hearing within a reasonable time by an independent court or tribunal established by law	10	0	0	5	0	9	2	0	18	4	4	1	1	0	1	42(a)
42(b)	All judicial proceedings in the Maldives shall be conducted with justice, transparency and impartiality	3	0	0	5	0	6	1	0	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	42(b)

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43 Fair administrative action	0	43	24	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
43(a) Everyone has the right to administrative action that is lawful, procedurally fair, and expeditious	65	0	0	58	0	74	76	122	185	83	21	104	75	33	60
43(b) Everyone whose rights have been adversely affected by administrative action has the right to be given written reasons	2	0	0	7	0	4	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	1
45 No unlawful arrest or detention	3	2	1	14	6	13	13	6	28	9	3	13	2	0	3
46 Power of arrest and detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47 Search and Seizure	0	3	0	0	2	0	6	0	8	3	0	3	0	0	0
47(a) No person shall be subject to search or seizure unless there is reasonable cause.	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
47(b) Residential property shall be inviolable, and shall not be entered without consent of the resident, except to prevent immediate and serious harm to life or property, or under the express authorisation of an order of the Court.	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48 Rights on arrest or detention	0	3	3	0	4	0	2	1	12	0	0	2	0	0	2
48(a) to be informed immediately of the reasons therefor, and in writing within at least twenty four hours;	4	0	0	15	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48(b) to retain and instruct legal counsel without delay and to be informed of this right, and to have access to legal counsel facilitated until the conclusion of the matter for which he is under arrest or detention;	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
48(d) to be brought within twenty four hours before a judge, who has power to determine the validity of the detention, to release the person with or without conditions, or to order the continued detention of the accused	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
50 Prompt investigation and prosecution	25	18	7	5	3	16	6	8	27	9	1	14	6	4	3
51 Rights of the accused	0	13	2	0	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(b) to be tried within a reasonable time	12	0	0	9	0	4	11	1	29	20	0	22	9	3	6
51(c) not to be compelled to testify	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(d) to an interpreter to be provided by the State where he does not speak the language in which the proceedings are conducted, or is deaf or mute	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(e) to have adequate time and facilities for the preparation of his defence and to communicate with and instruct legal counsel of his own choosing	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(f) to be tried in person, and to defend himself through legal counsel of his own choosing	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(g) to examine the witnesses against him and to obtain the attendance and examination of witnesses	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
51(h) to be presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
52 No confession shall be admissible in evidence unless made in court by an accused who is in a sound state of mind. No statement or evidence must be obtained from any source by compulsion or by unlawful means and such statement or evidence is inadmissible in evidence.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
53 Assistance of legal counsel	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
53(a) Everyone has the right to retain and instruct legal counsel at any instance where legal assistance is required	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	1
53(b) In serious criminal cases, the State shall provide a lawyer for an accused person who cannot afford to engage one	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
54 No degrading treatment or torture	33	15	18	78	20	103	32	61	189	45	8	77	43	10	47
56 Right to appeal	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	4	2	0	2	0	0	0
57 Humane treatment of arrested or detained persons	27	3	3	26	1	20	8	9	20	7	1	22	14	1	14
58 Compensation collected	1	17	10	1	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
62 Retention of other rights	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
62(a) The enumeration of rights and freedoms in this Chapter are guaranteed equally to female and male persons.	3	0	0	1	0	3	13	1	4	1	0	5	3	0	3
62(b) The enumeration of rights and freedoms individually in this Chapter shall not be construed to deny or negate other rights retained by the people which are not specified in this Chapter.	0	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	6	3	0	5	3	0	5
64 Non-compliance with unlawful orders	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
67 Responsibilities and Duties	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-issue	17	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	3

Note: Oregon cases includes cases which were not completed in previous years.
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