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Human Rights in Indonesia: A Never Ending Topic

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HUMAN Rights become very important issues that attract a lot of attention from people and organizations around the world nowadays. Governments need to work and collaborate with other actors, including civil organizations and the third sector, to ensure that human rights are properly enforced in the society. One of the basic instruments to ensure the enforcement of human rights is through state constitutions. The constitutions should consist of explicit articles that promote the enforcement of human rights. Once the constitution has included articles on human rights, it is the government's obligation to make sure that the message of constitution can be realized. However, some issues and problems might come up in the process of keeping human rights enforced in the society.

The *Journal of Indonesian Legal Studies* (JILS), in this second journal edition, provides some contemporary insights on human rights from various perspectives. The JILS's second edition highlights some issues concerning on human rights in the frame of *The Various Aspects of Human Rights in Indonesia*. The articles presented in this special issue make many important explorations and draw our attention to many important policy questions. Nowadays, we can see that law and human rights have a significant implication on national legal systems throughout the world, including in Indonesia, and therefore have also influenced on the daily works of judges, prosecutors and lawyers in any given country. Some contemporary cases show us that the problems of human rights still exist and needs a proper response.

One of the articles, written by Ristina Yudhanti [*et.al.*], discusses the protection to victims of violence based on gender as fulfillment of the

constitutional rights. In the article, the authors discuss the fulfillment of human rights for the victims of violence in the district of Boyolali, Central Java, Indonesia. Another article, written by Melissa Towadi, highlights the protection of human rights to the minority Muslim in Rohingya, Burma. The author emphasizes the focus on the Indonesian-Malaysia cooperation on the protection of Muslim Rohingnya. Another view on the fulfillment of human rights is provided by Arif Prasetyo, who writes an article entitled *Waiting List Patterns in the Implementation of Hajj: The Fulfillment of the Rights of the Congregation (Study of Central Java Province, Indonesia)*.

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Finally, we very hope that this second edition will not only trigger further discussion on the issues of human rights, but also encourage the discussion on other topics that are crucial for Indonesia's legal development. Accordingly, *Journal of Indonesian Legal Studies* will be always committed to become an academic medium to exchange ideas and perspectives on contemporary issues related to Indonesian legal studies.

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