

Civil Rights and Freedoms of Non-Muslim Citizens in Islamic Community*

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Abstract

A non-Muslim citizen is a member of Islamic community which has the right of active participation in promotion of community affairs despite of his/her non-Islamic beliefs. Such a person would also benefit from individual, civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights. Based on Islamic jurisprudence, non-Muslims can accept treaty obligations, become a citizen of Islamic society and withdraw citizenship at will. In this regard, Islam acknowledges the civil rights and freedoms of non-Muslim citizens such as citizenship, freedom of expression, the right to criticize the performance of Islamic rule, the right of independence in personal affairs and the right to benefit from social security. The present paper intends to explain the acknowledged civil rights of non-Muslim citizens based on Islamic rights.

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