Economic, social, and cultural rights refer to rights in the workplace, social security, family life, participation in cultural life, as well as access to housing, food, water, healthcare, and education.

**ECONOMIC & CULTURAL RIGHTS**

**KEY ECONOMIC RIGHTS**

- **Right to be safe and healthy working environment**, Art. 7 (b), ICESCR
- **Right not to be forced to work**, Art. 10, ILO Forced Labour Convention
- **Right to own land**, Art. 44, Cambodia Constitution
- **Right to work and freely choose employment**, Art. 6 (1), ICESCR
- **Right to form and join independent trade unions**, establish federations or confederations, Art. 8 (a, b, c, d), ICESCR
- **Right to adequate standard of living**, including adequate food, clothing and housing, Art. 11 (1), ICESCR
- **Right to just and favorable working conditions**, Art. 7 (a, b, c, d), ICESCR
- **Right to peacefully demonstrate**, Art. 37, Cambodia Constitution
Cambodia Law

1996 law on Environmental Protection & Natural Resources Management
- Aims to protect & upgrade the environment and public health

1997 Labor Law
- Aims to enact fair laws for workers across the kingdom

2001 Land Law
- Details the rights of property owners

2002 Land Forestry
- Defines sustainable principle to maintain forestry in Cambodia

2007 Civil Code of the Kingdom of Cambodia
- Enshrines the dignity of each individual, the equality of sexes, and dedication to property rights

2007 Law on Management of Water Resource in Cambodia
- Details effective and sustainable management of water resource

International Law

Convention on the Protection & Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expression (UNESCO)
- Protection and Promotion of the diversity of cultural expressions

Convention on the Abolition of Forced Labour (ILO)
- Immediate and complete abolition of forced or compulsory labour

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UN)
- Protects and Promotes the full enjoyment of human rights by persons with disabilities

Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UN)
- Outlines the civil, cultural and economic rights of indigenous groups

Freedom of association & Protection of the Right to Organise Convention (ILO)
- Requires states to enact a national policy aimed at eliminating all forms of discrimination

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