



**Dedar Organization organized a conference entitled Legal Role of the Kurdistan Regional Parliament No. 5 of 2015 in Protecting the Culture of Religious and Ethnic Minorities in the Kurdistan Region with the Ministry of Endowments and Religious Affairs of the Kurdistan Regional Government.**

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**In the presence of the following dignitaries:**

- 1- Mr. Minister of Endowments and Religious Affairs of the Kurdistan Regional Government.**
- 2. Minister of the Kurdistan Regional Government for Religious and Ethnic Minorities Affairs.**
- 3- Chairman of Erbil Provincial Council**
- 4- Erbil Province**
- 5- Head of the Office of International Recommendations in the Kurdistan Regional Government.**
- 6- Deputy Minister of Culture and Youth of the Kurdistan Regional Government.**
- 7- Director General of Relations of the Independent Commission for Human Rights in the Kurdistan Region**
- 8- Members of the Kurdistan Regional Parliament.**
- 9- Members of Erbil Provincial Council.**
- 10- Legal Director of the Office of NGOs of the Kurdistan Regional Government.**



## **The following topics were discussed:**

- 1. How to implement Law No. (5) of the Kurdistan Regional Parliament (2015) on the protection of the culture of religious and ethnic minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 2. The role of Law No. 5 of 2015 in protecting the mother tongues of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 3. The role of Law No. 5 of 2015 in protecting the culture of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 4. The role of Law No. 5 of 2015 on the Right to Education of Ethnic and Religious Minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 5. Shortcomings of Law No. 5 of 2015 in protecting the rights of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 6. The role of government institutions in Law No. 5 of 2015 on the rights of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**



**After careful discussion, the proposals were accepted at the conference**

**suggest:**

- 1. Implement Law No. 5 of 2015 on Protecting the Rights of Ethnic and Religious Minorities in the Kurdistan Region in all institutions.**
- 2. Opening awareness courses for employees of relevant institutions to introduce Law No. 5 of 2015 on protecting the rights of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**
- 3. Amend the Law No. 5 of 2015 on Protecting the Rights of Ethnic and Religious Minorities in the Kurdistan Region and increase the penalties for violators of the law.**
- 4- The Ministry of Culture should pay attention to the culture of religious and ethnic minorities in accordance with Law No. 5 of 2015 on purdistan Region.**
- 5. Facilitate the organizations and institutions working to protect the culture of religious and ethnic minorities in accordance with Law No. 5 of 2015 on protecting the rights of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**



**6. Freedom to use the native languages of religious and ethnic minorities in parliament and provincial councils.**

**7. The Ministry of Education should pay attention to the original languages of religious and ethnic minorities in educational centers for children of religious and ethnic minorities.**

**8. Protecting the geographical areas of religious and ethnic minorities in accordance with Law No. 5 of 2015 on Protecting the Rights of Ethnic and Religious Minorities in the Kurdistan Region.**

**9. Paying attention to the monuments of religious and ethnic minorities and protecting them according to Law No. 5 of 2015 on protecting the rights of ethnic and religious minorities in the Kurdistan Region protecting the rights of ethnic and religious minorities .**

**\_There are important and advanced laws in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region, according to international standards, but the problem in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region is the lack of implementation of the laws, that is, the law is not well implemented in Iraq and the Kurdistan Region.**



It is worth mentioning that Iraq has faced internal and external wars in the past that directly affected the democratic system in Iraqi society, journalists and activists of civil society organizations in Iraqi society were the first victims of wars, so it is important to build Iraqi society.

This conference was given great attention in the media due to the importance of the issue. Several news and reports were prepared on it, which was important in introducing the law

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