

HUMR5145 - Human Rights in Asia

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Below you will find several topics concerning human rights in Asia. Choose one of them as the departure point for writing your final assignment. This assignment should consist of a maximum of 5,000 words, including footnotes. Besides stating clearly your research question, you are also strongly encouraged to include a short section on your research methodology.

Answer ONE of the following questions:

1) With which of the following statements do you most agree and why?

China's One Belt One Road is a broad statement of national ambition and strategy.

China's One Belt One Road empire 'will be an informal and largely economic one, posited on cash and held together by hard infrastructure.'

2) Democracy and human rights are neither compatible with Asian values nor the region's predominant model of economic development. Discuss.

3) With reference to at least one specific country, discuss some of the major human rights challenges encountered by either indigenous OR migrant worker communities in the region.