

## Unit-5

### NGO'S & HUMAN RIGHTS

#### \* Amnesty International (AI)

Peter Benenson, a British lawyer, re-established AI in the year 1961. AI is an independent body and does not connect itself to any Government, political ideology, religion or any special economic interest. It is a natural organ which does not support or oppose any political system or Government, any victim whose rights need to be protected. It is concerned with safeguarding human rights without any bias.

\* AI is supported by a number of members worldwide and it is a globally recognised NGO where people associate with it for internationally emphasising the significance of human rights. Currently about 1.8 million members support and subscribe to AI in and around 150 countries.

\* AI has a vision every person in the world to enjoy all the human rights set forth in the universal declaration of Human rights and other Human rights Standard with this vision of AI set forth its mission towards undertaking research activities and framing plan of action for preventing human rights violations and putting an end to various abuse of human rights, such as

\* Abuse of rights to physical and mental integrity.

\* Freedom of conscience.

\* Freedom of expression.

\* Freedom from discrimination.