

Cops warn against misusing 'human rights' name tag

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The Nilgiris district police administration has objected to the indiscriminate and inaccurate use of the word 'human rights' that private organisations were using to describe themselves and sought cooperation from people to weed them out.

Nilgiris SP T. Senthil Kumar said complaints had been coming in for quite some time about organisations prefixing these words to their name to create an impression of being connected to the National Human Rights Commission and misusing their

● **Complaints have been pouring in about organisations misusing the name of the human rights groups, says Nilgiris SP**

identity by running a parallel administration, complete with name board and letterhead.

These organisations and individuals, too, were interfering in employer-employee disputes, running kangaroo courts and allegedly coercing government officials into adopting a course of action.

The Centre and state governments had

already banned the use of titles, such as national or state human rights organisation by private societies, NGOs or private associations in the state, with the high court having instructed that such NGOs or societies delete the words from their name, failing which action would be taken.

Citizens wishing to complain about the continuing usage of these words can approach the police station in their jurisdiction or call the SP's office on 0423-2223839 or the special branch at the district police office premises on 0423-2223828 and 0423-2223807, Mr Senthil Kumar added.