Dear Members of SARC,

I would like to make a submission against the proposed No Jab No Play Bill being submitted for legislation.

I feel very strongly about freedom of choice and it is clear that this proposal opposes many basic human rights. The proposed legislation appears to be discriminatory.

Article 26 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights states that, "Parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children".

Article 28 of the Convention of the Rights of the Child binds governments to "Make primary education compulsory and available to all".

Your proposal violates these rights by making both choice of and access to education conditional.

Your proposal breaches many of the Fundamental rights of the:

Victoria's Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities

Your right to recognition and equality before the law (section 8)

Everyone is entitled to equal and effective protection against discrimination, and to enjoy their human rights without discrimination.

No Jab No Play takes away ones right and discriminates by not allowing unvaccinated children to attend childcare or kindergarten.

Your right to protection from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment (section 10)

People must not be subjected to medical treatment or experiments without their full and informed consent.

No Jab No Play takes away peoples freedom of choice of what they want to put into their bodies. I have been a vegetarian all my life, I don't eat eggs, I live a very healthy wholesome lifestyle. I don't drink or smoke and am very conscious of what I put into my body and do not appreciate the idea of being vaccinated without my informed consent. I raised both my children this way also and believe they should have the freedom of choice of how they raise their children and what they choose to put into their bodies.

Your right to privacy and reputation. (Section 13)
Everyone has the right to keep their lives private. Your family, home or personal information cannot be interfered with, unless the law allows it.
No Jab No Play violates ones privacy. It will be obvious to all who vaccinates or not as it will be public knowledge who is accepted into school and who isn't. My niece currently attends Prep at the school

where she did kinder. My nephew and other niece plan to follow in the next few years. If this proposal is passed they will be denied access to the kinder their sister went to and where their two cousins attended.

Your right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion and belief (section 14) People have the freedom to think and believe what they want, for example, religion. They can do this in public or private, as part of a group or alone.

No Jab No Play gives no space for freedom of thought or belief. It dictates that we must vaccinate our children and believe that it is beneficial for their health regardless of whether we choose to believe it or not. I do not believe that the ingredients of a vaccine are beneficial to the health of a child, my child, my grandchild and it is my right to believe this.

Your right to protection of families and children (section17) Families are entitled to protection. Children have the same rights as adults with added protection according to their best interests.

If the parents believe it is in their child's best interest not to be vaccinated then these children should be protected from discrimination and should not be excluded from participating with their peers.

Cultural rights (section 19)

People can have different family, religious or cultural backgrounds. They can enjoy their culture, declare and practice their religion and use their languages.

No Jab No Play does not give any room for differences of opinion or belief. It dictates one belief and one course of action and no other.

It is clear herewith that the new proposed No Jab No Play law is in blatant breach of many basic human rights and to consider passing this as law is detrimental to individuals and to society as a whole.

This draconian proposal is a violation of freedom of choice, freedom of thought and freedom of belief. It is a violation of basic human rights.

Yours passionately

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