

Young Person's attitudes towards the police: A study on the relationship between the University students and the Police

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University students are one of the most influential group in society. Staying true to the nature of young, when they perceived something wrong they take actions through the student movements to show their objection in deferent ways. Sometimes, the reactions of the students greatly disrupt the law and peace in the society and at such times police interference occurs in order maintain the law and peace in the society. University students consider that it is inhumane to use police force against them as the process caused several injuries and deaths of students. The research problem of the study was to look at the nature of attitudes and the relationship between the students of University of Sri Jayewardenepura and the police. The study was based on both primary and secondary data. Primary data have been collected from students who study at University of Sri Jayewardenepura. The study used the simple random sampling method to represent several faculties of the university. It was found that the university students possessed a negative attitude towards the police and the police also have the same attitude toward the students. As a result, parties negative attitude forward each other result in breaking the law and disturbing the peace in the society. The study emphasizes the need for a durable mechanism to change this context and established a way to minimize the violence against university students caused by police forces. -

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