



## Educational System & Its Social Commitment

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world". These are the words of Nelson Mandela. Education is the basic necessity of an individual. It is necessary to live on this earth. Education is more important than our clothes, food, etc. With the help of education we were able to eradicate the social evils from our country India. Without education means the person has no value in the present society. According to a Tibetan proverb "A child without education is like a bird without wings". Education can transform ones life - from illiterate to literate, poor to rich, cruel to kind, etc. So it is increasingly clear that primary, secondary and last need of a person. Education is a continuing process which never ends. Each moment gives us new knowledge, a new piece of information. Education was imparted in temples during the time of human development. But at present we have developed a lot from that at present. Each and every day new techniques are discovered and educational field is

being transformed.

In Ancient times Gurukulam Systems prevailed in India. Students were taught under his teacher (Guru). He had stay along with his guru and explore new things. Along with education he had to do all kinds of work for the Guru. There was no discriminations based on the students caste, colour, race, etc. Good values like love, care, kindness, etc was developed in students. He showed respect towards his teacher and elders. The children had a mentality to help his fellow beings. There was a sense of unity among the students. Whenever there was challenging situations they stayed united. Being a social creature his interacted with nature without harming it. But when time passed humans got entirely changed. The Gurukulams was replaced by concrete buildings. Tough subjects was added into the syllabus. The good values got disappeared from their lead. There was a great revolution in his attitude and behavior. The persons who was loving changed into a rude person. The only aim of his life became merely money making. It brought drastic changes in his social

"commitment and way he interacted with humans".

Bruce Lee said that "knowledge may give you power but character may give you respect". The act of kindness and love got erased from human dictionary. As a result though his ideas and researches gained success, he became somewhat like a machine who just works for his own interest and selfish needs. Intelligence got increased day by day but his values got decreased. This can be viewed easily from today's society.

Human made glorious and miraculous achievements in field of science and technology. Men and women alike prove their eminence. We are well advanced in all ways of life. But it is not by caring nature. According to Gandhiji "Nature provides everything to satisfy every human's need not every human's greed". The pollutions like air pollution, water pollution, noise pollution, soil pollution, etc are increasing by leaps and bounds. Human used his knowledge to harm his mother earth in such a cruel way. Though a person attains high scores in examination, it is not

possible for him to live on earth without our even just for a second. ~~the~~ pathetic condition of our mother earth is a great sorrow to many. People like Kailash Pokudan is trying to retain our earth's beauty although he is not educated. So the education one has must not be used to harm nature.

Education must focus on universal brotherhood which makes one realize that all humans are our brothers and sisters. In a hurry to study Big Bang theory and friction we forgot to teach students about peace and love for others. As a result even well educated people use their knowledge to harm his fellow beings. The terrorism prevailing at present is the best example. Terrorism is the worst example of misusing education. We developed atom bombs and guns which ruin the lives of thousands of people. Society is being destroyed due to unlawful activity like terrorism. It is clear that if education focuses in peace and brotherhood this can be solved.

Another painful issue is the increasing cruelty of human. He kills animals, birds and even people for

silly things. The suicides and rapes are increasing in our society. If we see a person bathed in blood due to accident we should try to help him. But today we are in a hurry to take the photo and post it in facebook and whatsapp. The life of a persons is more important than likes. Working for money is the main aim. The relationships between neighbours and family members are reduced. It is true that even the family members don't know each other. Increased use of technology like social media has transformed the way we view the world. We spent hours and days chatting without knowing what is going around us. The growing problems like female foeticide, wars, etc are aftereffect of lack of proper education.

Student politics is also an important issue to be discussed. It is a growing trend to involve in political activities during studies. Recently several laws were enforced which was against students' involvement in political field. Definitely politics must be encouraged in campus

in such way that is helpful in developing good leaders. Student politicians like Basheer, Jawaharlal Nehru are role models for us. Students be taught the good values of leadership. The qualities like kindness, love to citizens must be gained from education. So political atmosphere in campus helps to put into practical use these specific qualities. Illegal activities like corruption, black money, etc take place due to lack education in politics.

E-learning is a new trend of learning with the usage of electronic devices like phones, computers, internet, etc. This new kind of education systems brought unbelieveable changes in human attitude. Though the uses and advantages of e-learning are beyond control the change in human attitude is unbearable. Respect for teachers, elders, mindset to help friends in studies, etc got reduced with the advent of e-learning. Students stay at home and learn their topics without anybody's help and without any kind of social commitment.

In earlier educational systems women education was restricted. Women were just considered like kitchen keepers and house keepers. The burdens of household activities and office work lay on shoulders of women. Though women literacy has gone up in recent few years. Still there exist inequalities. This is due to the mindset of individuals and refusal to change their attitudes. The educated men consider women as their slaves. Education must make men aware that women are no more their slaves. They must understand that there is more divinity in women. Caste-inequalities are also still prevailing. More focus must be given to such issues to empower India into a developed country.

Education is necessary to empower youth too. In some of the northern states the practice is to do some sort of work after study to earn a living. So these children may think that it is their duty to work to gain money. This attitude of today generation may

prevail even for centuries if the children aren't made aware of their rights and duties. Not only children's right but all sort's of rights and basic needs must be taught. The right for life, freedom, expression, travel, etc was gained by our freedom fighters after years of hardwork. If these things are not taught in schools and colleges then there hardwork becomes futile. Non Humans of a large part of population will be under the control of the rich or powerful people. The powerful or educated people about rights may suppress them.

Educations is having an aim. The aim of all educational systems and trainings to utilize the knowledge gained through studying of various subjects is human welfare. People like Mother Teresa, Malala Yousafzai, Gandhiji, etc used their knowledge for the betterment of society. APJ Abdul kalam our former president was a very well educated person who toiled hard for the benefit of his

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people. Mother Teresa who was awarded by Nobel Prize for peace also utilized her valuable knowledge and skills to take care of poor and homeless. Malala the youngest nobel prize winner worked for women education. In her words "One pen one book and one teacher can change the whole world". Kailash Satyarthi also a member awesome personality who worked for upliftment of children. So all these people worked as they can to change and wipe out miseries. The education should make everyone aware that not all of us can do great things but we all can do small things with great love. This is what Mother Teresa reminds each one of us. Education at present should give more attention to problems of people. So the people can do small but great things for others. This is what Jesus wanted us to do. To give our best effort to something.

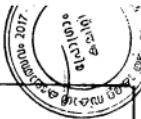
It is a competitive world. Everyone wishes to be a winner. The educational system should teach the competitors that success and failure are two sides of a coin. Both have equal importance. If one fails he is very much shy to come in front of the society. This problem may even lead to suicide attempts. The society views a person who had lost a single time as a total failure. The society isolates him from the mainstream. This must not be done. Failures must be considered as stepping stones to success.

The increased consumption of alcohol and drugs is also destroying the good relations which is to be made with society. Education can play a major role to stop it. Seminars, classes, competitions, etc. must be conducted at school level to prevent drugs and alcohol.

"Intelligence plus character is the aim of true or true education". It was said by Dr APJ Abdul Kalam. Through education human beings gain good jobs and generate income. In order to settle his life he marries a girl and shifts to foreign countries. At this time what the obstacle he faced was his old parents. He just leaves them in old age homes. The parents work day and night to educate their children. But what the children returns to them is end of life in oldage homes and sorrows. Shouldn't the need to take care of parents should be also included in education system.

So what we have understood is that  
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education is necessary to humans, But what about education with values. Value oriented education must be taught in schools. It must give importance to arts and sports. The education must help man to understand

the worries of his fellow beings. The good relation between neighbours and parents shouldn't be lost when we gain good education. We must utilize our valuable knowledge in order to increase the unity in our country. 'Unity in Diversity' is the specialty of India. This unity must be taught and studied from our educational institutions. The proverb says that united we stand divided we fall. When India was under British control problems like caste discrimination, women exploitation, etc., etc. prevailed. The education gave enlightenment to human minds at that time. He thought the blood inside me is the blood inside her. Then why should I treat her differently. This motivated Indian people to say good bye to all religious customs and meaningless practices and to foster unity. But this unity which is destroyed due to selfish needs must be regained through education itself.



There is a common line separating separating the rich and poor children let this line of ignorance and poverty be changed to a line of love and happiness. The selfishness, cruelty, loneliness, misbehaviours, violence, etc may change into love, kindness, humanity, care, etc. The education institutions should impart value oriented education. The schools and collages should develop blossoming flowers who are the children with good habits and qualities. The world must be changed into a heaven filled with angels who knows the real meaning education and puts into practical use. As our former president Dr APJ Abdul Kalam said "Dreams are not what you see in sleep. It is what that doesn't let you sleep". Dreams must be transformed into actions. Let dreams of world of people who interact each other like our educated ancestors not like dogs fighting each other for bread. Let education revolutionize the world protect it from harmful activities. Let our little brothers and sisters learn from school what is their real aim of life and how they can change our world into a world of love for others. We must hope for the best that education will be a ever glowing lamp in our life.