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'The light has gone out'. This was the statement made by our first prime minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, when the father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi passed away. Of course, Mahatma Gandhi was really a beacon of light who enlightened and embraced the entire civil society during the Indian freedom struggle. His ideas and teaching methods were almost accepted by our great leaders. But it is high time we really discussed whether the Gandhian is being followed by the contemporary society.

Gandhian views and methods are inescapable in the present society where civil death prevails. In a society where people are disintegrated, women are tortured, values are depleting, poverty is prevailing. Here comes the real importance of Gandhian among the younger generations in the society. The youth are to be influenced because they are the nation builders and the future of our nation lies in their hands.



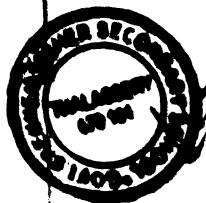
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As Gandhi holds the power of shaping ~~over~~ India, and his visions and dreams about India are to be thought upon. India ~~was~~ a country

of diverse cultures, traditions and beliefs, and his role in uniting various groups together is very great but it is ~~useful~~ to ~~oppose~~ what Nehru said is to be remembered with melancholy, that "After Independence, India has discovered herself again" How far is it true in the present society? India is now

witnessing terrorism, racism and lack of National integration. In his book, 'Hind Swaraj', Gandhi wrote that without the ~~independence~~ ^{independence} of Indians, British wouldn't be able to ~~impose~~ India. From this we should understand that it is not our external enemies that creates problems, the enemies are inside India. So we

and monstrous enemies from India, it is important to indulge the Gandhian philosophies of peace and honesty among the youth.

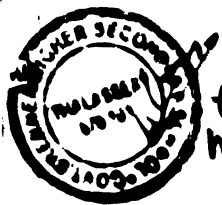
According to Mahatma Gandhi, the real use of our nation lies in the struggle to make the individuals and the state of India realize the rights and duties and to live peacefully on the earth. Gandhi's ideas were revolutionary in the world by average people is being forgotten by today's generation. A disciplinary approach towards understanding the values of real democracy and for upholding of non-violence will alone be a great change in our



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Society. This can be brought about only by the younger generations.

Gandhian views about the educational systems are to be considered with great seriousness. Apart from acquiring knowledge, educational institutions are to be refined to make the children and the youth noble, vigilant and responsible for leading to lead our country. He stressed on 'Vocational education' that is based on the talents of individuals. The children are to should learn a job along with their acquiring knowledge and this will definitely wipe out the various contemporary crisis like unemployment as it provides job to millions and would increase per capita income, national income and GDP.

Another important and highly debated issue is the depletion of moral values in the present society. The so called values like discipline, reverence, honesty, punctuality, obedience etc are being void to the present youth. The major reasons for this are the breaking family structures, materialisation, media revolution, and also modernisation. It creates a lot of problems in our society. Gandhi's teaching



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Methods are to be included in the lives of youth. He gave importance to character building, and he said that, "If wealth is lost, nothing is lost. If health is lost, something is lost, but if character is lost, everything is lost". These words show the great importance of building a wise character and also it makes the hearts of the youth bloom out with prosperity and joy.

The present youth is being diverted to ~~do~~ certain evil deeds. They create a 'fantasy persona'. Now the newspapers are filled with crimes - out of drug abuse, raping women, cyber crimes, etc are very rampant. This can be wiped out only by teaching the importance of leading an ideal life by passing right thoughts. Gandhi said that, "Thoughts bring forth acts, acts produce habits and habits become character". So, first of all, our thoughts are to be refined. We should possess righteousness in our thoughts, actions and knowledge. When there is righteousness in heart, there is beauty in the character; when there is beauty in the character, there is harmony in the home; when there is harmony in the home, there is order in the nation and when there is order in the nation, there is peace in the world.



Gandhi's teaching methods, and paths of conduct are to be admired with deep passion by the younger generations. Schools & syllabus should include his ideas of peace, non-violence ~~orahimsa~~, Satyagraha etc. Gandhi's master piece is definitely his idea of Satyagraha, which is the quest for truth. It was his sword of peace that fought against injustices, that prevailed then in India.

- As India, as is a heaven of cultures, Mahatma Gandhi had a compassionate need for preserving our them. He was always trying to put he also needed India to become a global power. He said therefore that, "I want the cultures of all lands to be blown about my house as freely as possible, but I refuse to be blown off my feet by any". He insisted Indians to be a part of our culture, to and by westernising, & the traditional cultures should not be broken into fragments. Our legs should be firmly rooted in India. His words created a feeling of nationalism among the Indians. The young generations should learn these ideas and admire them.

Today, the world is being transformed into a global village ignoring the environment. People, being greedy and selfish, they start destroying the



Nature to gratify their ^{desires} wants. We put our resources into wrong use and call it our 'productivity'. We create a lot of wastes and make our earth bear them all, and call it our 'efficiency'. We put many species into extinction and by killing them and destroying their habitat and then we call it our 'progress'. Our youth should play a sublime role in this case. Here we should remember the words of Gandhi, "The earth has provided enough to satisfy man's needs, but not every man's greed". This should be remembered in our entire life. ✓

All the above evils that the present society does is only because of a poor guidance and the ~~forgetting~~ youth forget to remember our forefathers and great leaders. We should not forget our responsibilities as a citizen and must uphold all the values in our lives. Gandhi's methods and ideas are to be learnt with great dedication and that alone can bring about a thought of living responsibly and following our duties in life. As Bhagavad Gita says,

"Karmana Sukruta Syahu
Sukritam Nirmalam Phalam".

What we need the young generations now need is a change. A change from the core of our heart. A change in our attitude and the change in

Our thoughts. As ^{Sw}Gandhi said, "Be ⁵⁹¹the change ⁷ that we wish to see in this world."

We have to move ahead by holding the strong ~~va~~ ideas of Gandhism ~~also~~ in our hearts.

By flying on the wings of youth alone, we can bring about a peaceful world. The youth must be enlightened with the real essence of Gandhian values. Gandhi, who has been a ^{beam}ray of light that ~~per~~ pierced into the dark minds of people; ~~has~~ who has been a source of embracement; who sang the songs of good deeds, who worked for swaraj, day and night, who wiped out tears from the eyes of mothers, who transformed the monstrous waves into tranquil sea, who saw the dreams of love and peace, who raised the goodness of sovereignty and secularism; who prayed for the well being of entire world, who ~~ought~~ ~~the~~ ~~who~~ shrouded the evils of dirty minds; should be an inspiration for the entire youth. His ideas must be remembered ever. ~~and~~ Gandhi's words are to be taken with great seriousness, he said that,

"Study as if you were to live forever
live as if you were to die tomorrow"
