

Modern technological development and human

Values

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Introduction

"Technology is a useful servant, but a dangerous master."

- Christian Luis Lange

Man's thirst for knowledge and his endless efforts to invent new things has made him a modern being from a savage who had lived in deep forests and hunted animals for food. He had travelled a long way to reach this pinnacle of advancement. This thing is very similar to the technological development also. ~~Men~~ had been discovering new sort of ideas from his vast brain and as a result, new sort of inventions came to the world in each era. Since the paleolithic age, we can see evidence for this. But certain sort of ideas that came up in human ~~mid~~ mind led to the emergence of one of the most significant

"Word in this modern era, "technology": even now, we are ahead in the new paths of development each day. Thus the topic "technological development" arises as a topic of great concern.

Technology-Now and then

The technological development of the earlier days was vested only within certain limits. Technological development is one or the other way connected to scientific development. The invention of fire was the basic source for all the further endeavours of human beings. But later on, they invented 'wheels', which caused a drastic diversion in the whole path of the then human ~~livelihood~~. This turned out to be greatest invention of the neolithic age. But those were only used for agricultural purposes. Later on, certain other methods were implemented and from

that moment, human race was visualising the fast growing phase of development.

Modern technological development is unique. We are giving birth to new sorts of inventions and machines at a very fast rate. Now we have mobile phones in our hands which enables us to contact with anybody at anywhere in the world. We have computers which simplifies our works to a greater extend. We own television and other appliances which appears as a great blessing to whole humankind. In fact, we have technology which helps us in both education and health sector. Artificial robots are even made today and are given chance to grab the opportunities of humans in a country. Thus we can

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* courageously exclaim that technological development has reached its zenith at present.

When technological advancement reaches its zenith!

As Edward Teller quoted, "The science today is the technology of tomorrow", we have certain scientific structures which acted as strong foundations on attaining future technological development.

Today, technology is very much developed that it can even create a new species of an organism. The process of cloning is a great example for this. Today, we humans are able to sustain the life of another person who is ill-stricken. The complex surgeries which the doctors perform became possible only

with the help of modern technology. The invention of artificial pacemakers is also showing the progress of human race.

We are able to travel anywhere with the help of high class engines and clear-cut route maps which is made available through modern gadgets. Even information technology has become an important subject in all types of educational syllabus. In this age, where modern 'internet gurus' rise up, do we ever think of the technology which acted as a guide to help them? It is considered that the invention of steam engine was a milestone in the history of human progress. Thus from a layman to an autocrat, technology acts as a useful master servant. But in some cases,

the contrary might happen.
Deterioration of human values, which
is mainly entrusted on humanity is
a preferable example to this.

Is technological development forcing
us to forget human values?

The ease for doing things which
originated as an aftermath of
development made men more idle.
Those men, who led their daily life
by working hard in the fields to
make it suitable for the cultivation
of various crops had the ~~essense~~ essence
of hard-work within them. But today's
men, who completely depend on computers
and robots are slowly leading to
idleness. Moreover by the excess use of
such technologies, we humans are also
becoming electronic machines devoid of

emotions and values. We spend time watching the long saga of television series in the evening. But how many of us utilise that time to talk and have a chit-chat with our family members? Infact, we are slowly turning as meaningless organisms who just simply lead their life depending on technology. Thus, in one way, we can say that technological development make us to forget even basic human values.

Technological development and relevance of human values in India

"India is the motherland of human values, the birthplace of human speech, the mother of history, the grandmother of legends, and the great grandmother of tradition."

India is well-known for its rich cultural heritage. But at present, some sort of intolerance is capturing India's serenity. The conflict between traditional conservative India and modern liberal India is disturbing the sleeps of crores of Indians. All these problems beget when the people residing here walks away from human values. We mainly deviate from our good cultural aspects when we find lackness in spending time with our near and dear. Parents who are addicts to the modern gadgets even forget their children's happiness and comfort. Many sort of cyber crimes occurring in India appears as a great example for the Indians' fading humanity. In this modern India where



a plethora of problems exists, a solution to the fading human values must be sought immediately.

Can technology replace ~~teachers~~^{humans} in all sense?

Technology, which can be further modified and acclaimed as artificial intelligence is replacing humans in all sense. Robots are being appointed as company officials and news readers in various parts of the world. Small-sized robots are even inserted into the body of human beings to detect the illness or organ failure he has in his body. Robots who plays the role of teachers is a usual sight in developed countries like Japan and China. Even robot doctors are seen in certain parts of the world. The humanoid robot

named 'Sophia' has become famous in all nook parts of the world, even in its nook and corners. It is a fact that we can invent a humanoid robot, but we cannot create a robot equivalent to a human. Artificial intelligence has not grown to such a zenith to discover a machine which can transient human beings and his feelings. Even if we appoint robots as the supreme authority of a nation, there is nothing much more to get amazed.

The condition has diverted to such a level. But we should consider a fact that when the robots take up the role of teachers, how can they inculcate the human values into the hearts of

children? These types of questions must be treated with great importance as Dr. S Radhakrishnan once opined that, "Teachers are the custodians of highest values".

How can we nourish human values along with developing technology?

Human beings are considered as the wisest species in the whole earth. The abilities and talents which the human beings have acquired cannot be compared with any organism on this earth. The ability which we own to change according to our surroundings is the greatest gift of nature. We can enjoy the fruits of human values along with the advanced technology too.

We have a great example regarding this right in front of us. The situation through which we underwent after August 8 in Kerala is really surprising. We faced a lot of struggles in that deluge. At that situation, technological advancement was the main reason to get saved actually. This turns as a great motivation for us. So let's not refrain from such lessons which we learnt from the disaster.

Let's hope for value-based future generations.

✓ It is a necessity to frame a nation entrusted with value-based youth. Youth are not only the ones who lower their head and scratch in their mobile phones, they also own great power to recreate a beautiful

nation. For that values must be imprinted on them. Value-based education system attains great relevance in this situation. Teachers and parents must take complete efforts to inculcate values in students. The real meaning of parenting also lies in this we should never forget that an ounce of prevention is worth more than tons of reacting.

Conclusion

"The best way to predict the future is to create it."

- Abraham Lincoln

We should predict our future by creating it. It is a fact that technological advancement had been created a duplicate moon on the sky of earth. But it is a fact that we cannot

replace our ~~* god's~~ creation with an artificial one. Learning the complete ~~essense~~ essence of human values make a human birth worthy. Let's hope that the present deviation of humans ~~to~~ from human values will undergo a least change. We use to dream of utopia, the place where every good wishes come true. Let's create such a ~~world~~ ^{heaven} in this world where every heads will be high and every hearts will be happy.

