

Ever since the birth of humanity, the very species "homosapiens" has experienced events that has paved a better direction and a new path for development and fulfilment in the human society. Events that are marked as milestones in the road that we refer to as history. The birth of man, Evolution of our species, The French revolution, Renaissance, Apostasy of Jesus Christ and several other events that follows. Such events have given man a new direction and a better perspective toward life and a multidimensional way of thinking that has taken man to new found development, and the birth of Mahatma Gandhi is one of them.

From his early days at South Africa, Mahatma Gandhi has influenced people in a way no other leaders have influenced before. The very way the Mahatma handled his own being and that of his followers in the unidirectional path of Freedom, truth, Liberty and Fraternity is truly magnificent as far as leaders are concerned. From being the son of Karam Chand Gandhi, born as a "Vaishya" to being the phenomenal and sensational leader any nation has laid its eye balls upon. From being a barrister at South Africa, being knocked out of a train due to the very caste he belonged to, propelled the young Gandhi to take action. With mind as infuriated and a heart towards humanity, Gandhi set forward to his mission at Transvaal, South Africa and made it a huge success. Upon his arrival to India in Nineteen fifteen, Gandhi initiated the Champaran Satyagraha, kheda and eventually the independence of the sub-continent nation - "India". The very way Gandhi set a path for followers, mobilised the population of India upon strong and anchored influence, and his ability to commit until death to a visionary goal was truly magnificent.

Various event that Mahatma Gandhi had initiated over the course of history, helped the Mahatma develop himself into a innovative, synergic and serendipitous leader. The evolution of Gandhi as a person, gave rise to several Ideas, which were his weapons towards attaining Independence in India. Throughout his career, the visionary measures, the political moves, his commitment towards promises, and his ethics towards humanity had set an example for India, as far as which leader to follow. When Gandhi had mentioned in his quote "Be the change that you want to see in the planet", Gandhi motivated the citizens of humanity to be torch bearers of change, in order to attain a better planet and a far better tomorrow.

When one understands the true inner meaning of what Gandhi proved throughout his life, when one visualizes and lives his life according to the Ideas, principles and ethics layed down by the great man, when one truly live upon the standard marks of upkeeping the true values the Mahatma has paved way to, then that person can be declared a Gaudiyan. Gaudiyan Once the whole world is against you, but your stand for truth and non-violence is prevalent within you. For if you have what it takes to wipe at all evil from the surface of mortal nature that has been adsorbed with time, in order to pave way to a new a world that is dynamic, synergic and has a life of its own, then why Freud you are a Gaudiyan. A Gaudiyan is a person who upholds the values the great man has delivered to humanity with his life to its full potential, in a way that is non-violent and peace oriented. The depth of meaning the word "Gaudiyan" holds is quite incapable to be explained by a common man as me.

A cumulative of all messages, teachings and principles Mahatma Gandhi has taught humanity with his life can be known as Gandhian principles. The need and the relevance of such principles in the modern era has been a matter of serious discussion. The evolution of humankind has seen several stages of development and upgradation, and the sum of all such changes are what we see as human beings of today.

What we describe as the man of today, is the person who has evolved upon influence from various sources, the person who had shaped his perception upon what the society thinks is relevant, with a slight combination of a cultural background and ideological construct. The way today's man looks forward his life is not a trend that would ~~not~~ benefit humanity in any manner. Thus a change in the way the man of today, the "youth" looks upon life, their perceptions, mindset, work ethic as well as the way they lead their life should be initiated in order to visualize a better future. In such a context, the relevance of Gandhian principles can be observed.

The greatest visionary of India, the missile man Dr APJ Abdul Kalam referred to the youth as "The driving force that can take a country to development". Yes. The country and the global community seeks the support of the youth in order to propel the existing system towards full fledged development. Thus any investment made to the youth of the country, would result in the evolution of the system the country works upon in order to take the nation to the next level of development.

If the youth today decides to change its ways, perception and mindset, in order to be responsible citizens and to live life to its full dignity and freedom, accompanied with them the gemstone of truth, within in no time ~~what so ever~~ ~~what so ever~~, the entire what so ever, the entire nation can move towards "Numerous" configuration and the best way to help the youth understand the relevance of truth, ideas and principles that align to the right success, the best mode is to teach them Gandhian Ideas and Gandhian principles.

Paradoxical to what the entire world believes upon, India is often termed a "Gandhi's nation". It is truly paradoxical in any context. India which is the birthplace of the great man, but to its true meaning. Does every single Indian citizen abide by the true meaning of the teachings of Gandhi? Do they live every day of their life, just as the way the Mahatma had told them to do so? The answer might not be a yes, but if we want the true meaning of Gandhiji's teachings to get to the core of the nation, and ensure that every single citizen in the nation is abiding by the very principle our nation was drafted upon. We must teach the population as well as the youth of the country with Gandhian principles.

If we truly want the nation to progress, if our hearts and minds are filled with the dream of taking our nation to the next level, we must ensure that the citizens of tomorrow, the youth of today are informed upon and be taught the principles Ideas, and revolutionary measures of Mahatma Gandhi.

On analysing and teaching Gandhian principles to the youth of today, there are several questions that tackle the minds of the teacher and one of them is "How far has Gandhian principles influenced the youth of this nation?" The answer to this question is three fold.

The youth of today are influenced by Gandhi in three different perspectives; Gandhian as the revolutionary, Gandhi as a true patron of peace, and Gandhi as an outstanding leader. The ability of this man to be multi-dimensional at one point is where lies his true greatness lies.

As a revolutionary, Gandhi has been the torch bearer to all forms of change. From renaming the untouchables to Harijans, to facilitating several satyagrahas in the name of peace and non-violence, the entry to temple for untouchables across India were all his revolutionary measures. Apart from opposing colonial rule, Gandhi ensured that such stereotypes within the country are solved first. Such revolutionary measures taken by him in order to attain the goal of independence from colonial rule and make India a synergic country is a constant source of influence and motivation for the youth of today. The youth of today, in whose blood is dissolved the very crumbs of revolution and change would accept Gandhi's message of revolution. The influence Gandhi's revolutionary mindset has upon the minds of the youth, enables the youth of today to be torch bearers of change tomorrow. For all misconducts that are happening today in the name of gender, caste, creed etc can be changed up by the youth under the able influence of Mahatma Gandhi's revolutionary principles.

According to Malayalam poet, Kumaran Asan, "If you do not change the ruler, the ruler changes you". This quote whose meaning is deeper than the Mariana trench, is projected with the principle of Mahatma Gandhi. Mahatma Gandhi changed the ruler of fighting for change from war and armed battle to non-violence and peace. This very change in approach is what made Mahatma Gandhi the true ambassador of peace. Of making peace his entity in order to attain freedom from colonial rule, is one aspect the youth of today drive influence from Mahatma Gandhi upon. The youth of today, once influenced by the futuristic and noble approach Gandhi took towards the two hundred year old problem of colonialism, can make sea changes to their lives as well as of others. Thus, Gandhian ideals of peace and non-violence winning battles has truly influence the youth of today. Such measures ensure result, without violating the liberty of citizens.

To day, if the tricolour flies higher than the clouds, If India can reach to this point in the development index, and it on every single "Fifteenth of August" we celebrate ~~independence~~ independence day, then it is only because of the leadership put forward by Mahatma Gandhi. The ability of one man to lead nearly a billion people towards a goal that we thought was unattainable, is what we can refer to as supreme leadership. If the youth of today can imbibe within its soul, the true spirit of leadership, then no goal on the planet can be tagged impossible.

The youth of today are truly inspired by the leadership qualities of Mahatma Gandhi. This will help them build a dynamic and synergic environment to ~~take nations~~ to take nations to "cloud nine".

These were the extent upto which Mahatma Gandhi has influenced the youth of today. Due to the passage of time, several principles and ideas put forward by Mahatma Gandhi had been buried for over a long time. Thus the influence of such principles towards the youth, was not as far reaching as expected. But, if every single citizen of this country can take the initiative of living by the perspective of the man who made this nation possible, can spread his message in all directions, influencing millions, of which youth comprise a crucial part. It would necessitate the required change, when the youth would be influenced in the right manner for the right reasons.

In order to ensure far reaching influence of Gandhian principles to the youth of every corner of the globe, we must convey to them that the principles drafted upon by the 'great soul', would take their life's to the next level. As far as the influence is concerned, if we decide to change, the society changes, the country changes and hence the world.

As African civil rights activist and author Kwame Appiah said, "The nation is a fabric that is woven. Not a mineral that is mined."

This conveys the importance of building a nation and not extracting it, and the youth is "Nurro uno" raw material to do so. Thus in order to take the nation to the next level, influencing the youth is as important, and ~~influencing them~~ influencing them with Africanian principles is as important.

If we want the change to happen, we should pave the way. Let us impart an everlasting impression upon the timeline by living our life in the right manner. Let us show our own lives as an example to the youth, who are the building blocks of the nation. Let us start living according to the principles of the Mahatma, influence the nation's youth through it, and make an unpromising and fruitfull future with it. ~~to~~ "If we desire the change. Let us be it first."

Thank you for taking the time in order to read this essay.