

Importance of Education in Women Empowerment

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Women's education in India: **Jawaharlal Nehru had once said:** "Educate a man and you educate one person. Educate a woman and you educate the whole family".

Introduction

Self decision regarding education, participation, mobility, economic independency, public speaking, awareness and exercise of rights, political participation and many more factors ensure women empowerment. In short women empowerment is the breaking of personal limitation.

International Women's day

- 2014 Theme: Inspiring change
- Each year around the world international women's day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8.
- Thousands of events occur not just on this day but throughout March to mark the economic, political and social achievements of women.

Women Empowerment Means: Women's empowerment is the process in which women elaborate and recreate what it is that they can be, do, and accomplish in a circumstance that they previously were denied....There are several principles defining women's empowerment such as, for one to be empowered, they must come from a position of disempowerment.

Who was started in India women's education cell

Savitribai Phule as a tradition breaker. The first female teacher at the first girls' school. When we talk about the girls' education only **gyotirao Phule** is remembered as the champion of women's education in India. He, along with his wife Savitribai Phule, opened the first school for girls in 1848.

Why need of women empowerment?

- The main problems that were faced by women in past day (and still today up to some extent):
- Gender discrimination
- Woman education
- Female infanticide
- Dowry
- Susides
- Marriage in same caste and child marriages(still exiting)
- Atrocities on women; Raped, Kicked, killed, subdued & humiliate almost daily.

Problems of women's education

- There is acute dearth of trained female teachers.
- The curriculum is not suited to their special requirements.
- Women have not achieved social consciousness to move freely with men in work spots and outside the home'
- Poverty and ignorance of parents also block the educational advancement of girls.

Women Education empowerment

Education is an essential mean of **empowering** women with the knowledge, skills and self - confidence necessary to fully participate in the development process....Unequal opportunities between women and men hamper women's ability to lift themselves from poverty and secure improved options to improve their lives.

Women's rights:

Women's rights are the fundamental human rights that were enshrined by the United Nations for every human being on the planet nearly 70 years ago. These rights include the right to live free from violence, slavery and discrimination; to be educated; to own property; to vote; and to earn a fair and equal wage.

Women Economic empowerment:

- Women's economic empowerment is a prerequisite for sustainable development, pro-poor growth and the achievement of all the MDGs. At the sometime it is about rights and equitable societies.
- There is scope for increasing donor investments in women's economic empowerment.
- Achieving women's economic empowerment is not a "quick fix". It will take sound public policies, a holistic approach and long-term commitment from all development actors.
- Start with women by integrating gender-specific perspectives at the design stage of policy and programming
- Women experience barriers in almost every aspect of work. Employment opportunities need to be improved. At the same time women perform the bulk of unpaid care work. This is an area for greater attention by development actors through increased recognition and valuing of the days in which care work supports thriving economies.
- Innovative approaches and partnerships are needed to scale up women's economic empowerment.

Political Empowerment of Women :

- General Equality and women's empowerment are both human rights and are necessary for achieving comprehensive, unbiased, and sustainable development.
- Women need to actively participate in government and politics in order to maintain democracy. Global statistics clearly show that women are under-represented as leaders, elected officials, and voters due to cultural and social norms, which limit their participation in the political process.

Aims:

- The aim of the course is to enhance women's leadership through individual leadership skills development, tools for the promotion of citizens' participation and leadership in the community, as well as strategies related to women's economic empowerment.
- The course will provide participants with direct with direct exposure and learning from good practices and approaches in the participants' countries and those developed in Israel, as well as international perspectives provided by UN and international agencies.

Importance of women's empowerment in societies:

Entire nations, businesses, communities and groups can benefit from the implementation of programs and policies that adopt the notion of women empowerment. Empowerment of women is a necessity for the very development of a society, since it enhances both the quality and the quantity of human resources available for development. Empowerment is one of the main procedural concerns when addressing human rights and development.

Women's empowerment and achieving gender equality is essential for our society to ensure the sustainable development of the country. Many world leaders and scholars have argued that sustainable development is impossible without gender equality and women's empowerment, and without women's empowerment, women wouldn't feel equally important to the process of

development amen. It is widely believed that, the full participation will not be beneficial to sustainable development; empowerment must include more choices for women to make on their own. Without gender equality and empowerment, the country could not be just, and social change would't occurs. Therefore, scholars agree that women's empowerment plays a huge role in development and is one of the significant contributions of development. Without the equal inclusion of women in development, women would not be able to benefit or contribute to the development of the country.

The Internet as a tool of empowerment : The growing access of the web in the late 20th century has allowed women to empower themselves by using various tools on the internet. With the introduction of World Wide Web, women have begun to use social networking sites like Face book an Twitter for online activism. Through online activism, women are able to empower themselves by organizing campaigns and voicing their opinions for equality rights without feeling oppressed by members of society. For example, on May 29, 2013, an online campaign started by 100 female advocates forced the leading social networking website, Face book, to take down various pages that spread hatred about women.

In recent years, blogging has also become a powerful tool for the educational empowerment of women. According to ka study done by the university of California, los Angeles, medical patients who read and write about their disease are often in a much happier mood and more knowledgeable than those who do not. By reading others' experience, patients can better educate themselves and apply strategies that their fellow bloggers suggest.

With the easy accessibility and affordability of e-learning (electronic learning), women can now study from the comfort of their homes. By empowering themselves educationally through new technologies like e-learning, women are also learning new skills that will come in handy in today's advancing globalized world.

Present situation of women:

- About 66% of the female population in rural area is unutilized. This is mainly due to existing social customs.
- In agriculture & animal care the women contribute 90% of the total work force. Women constitute almost half of the population, perform nearly 2/3 rd of its work hours, receive 1/10th of the world's income & own less than 1/100th of the world property.
- Among the world's 900 million illiterate people, women outnumber men two to one. 70% of people living in poverty are women.

Women's education in India is hampered at different stages:

When the parents cannot afford education for their kids, the son is always given preference over the daughter, if at all they try and send them to school. The daughter stays at home and cooks, cleans, and helps her parents in doing the chores, or she might even be employed as a helper somewhere, which is child labour and illegal as per law.

Principles and Suggestions for Women Empowerment:

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- To create an environment for full development of women to enable them to realize their full potential.
- To enjoy all human rights and fundamental freedom on equal basis with men in all spheres – political, economic, social, cultural and civil.
- To give equal access through participation and decision making of women in social, political and economic life of the nation.
- To give access to women to health care, quality education at all levels.

Suggestions:

- Ensuring presence of women in different kind of jobs, entitlements to widows, creating awareness about gender equality at a young age among boys and installation of CCTVs in public spaces were among suggestions given by women participants to tackle violence against women, at a discussion organised last week by the Puducherry State Resource Centre for Women(PSRCW)
- The PSRCW, which functions under the puducherry Corporation for the Development of Women and Differently-able persons Ltd. (PCDW and DAP), has organised similar discussions with Self Help Groups and anganwadi workers earlier. There are plans to hold discussion with women police officers, school teachers and Adi Dravidar field staff members, and send a consolidated report to the NMEW.
- One of the participating nurses said that all school educational, as this helps children interact with the opposite gender and form healthy relationships, a requisite for gender equality.
- The participants listed out forms of violence against women, and discoid the various Acts related to women's safety and welfare. Group discussions led to suggestions for women's empowerment.
- Some of the participants also asked popular media and cinema to desist from portraying adolescents and young children in serious relationships, and sacrificing their careers and life goals.
- In India nowadays you will see that women are working together with men in every field. This is happening because of the women education. It is important for the developing the India from the developing India to developed India. Women are the strength of the nation. In each and every field you can see the women working in high post. No, women are not only meant for the caring the house. S he crosses her one of the basic need for the men as well as the women because of it one should aware of the current situation and handles the problems. Here we are providing an essay on the women education which will benefit the students as well as kids

Conclusion:

I strongly admit that education is the milestone of every type of national development. With education, all the nations can develop its economy and society to be better than before. I believe all the type of education especially the basic education, creates awareness in both men and women that makes them self-reliance and self dependent. It has the power to create stability, understanding and equality among people, family, society, and further, the nation.