

“VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN’S RIGHTS IN CONTEMPORARY WORLD IN MILES FRANKLIN’S MY CAREER GOES BUNG”

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Abstract

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. Women’s were expected to live a peace and harmony, but after they get married they were ill-treated not only by their husbands, but also by their family members, in today’s world with a stead of education with easy access with a desired and cherished opportunity. Throughout the world, millions of women and girls are denied their human rights, just because they are female. As a brought in realization of the individual identity, in both the genders especially, with a female it’s a fair a sex. Male dominance exists in every door step whether they were educated or uneducated. The women were engaged in their work because of the financial hardship, but they were sexually abused, mental tortures, by their masters, but they are not able reveal the truth because they were living such a life.

The Indian Constitution has embodied within itself grounds for gender equality. The fundamental rights, fundamental duties and directive principles together work towards shaping polices and putting safeguards not just for women empowerment in India but also protection.

“Human rights are Women’s rights and women’s rights are human rights, once and for all.”
-Hillary Clinton

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About the Author Stella Maria Sarah Miles Franklin

Stella Maria Sarah Miles Franklin was known as Miles Franklin. She was born on 14 October 1879 in Talbingo, New South Wales and she was died on 19September 1954 at the age of 74 in Drummoyne, New South Wales. She was died because of Coronary Occlusion. She was an Australian writer and a feminist who was best known for her novel *My Brilliant Career*. It was published by Black woods of Edinburgh in 1901. Another major literary work of her was *All that Swagger* but it was not published until 1936. She was committed to the development of a uniquely Australian form of literature and she actively pursued these goals by supporting writer’s literary journals and writer’s organization. She had a long lasting impact on Australian literary life through her endowment of major annual prize for literature about Australian life is any of its phases the Miles Franklin award. Her impact was further recognized in 2013, with the creation of the Stella Prize awarded annually for the best work of literature by an Australian woman.

Selected Works

- *My Brilliant Career (1901)*
- *Some Everyday Folk and Down (1909)*
- *Old Blastus of Bandicoot (1931)*
- *Bring the Monkey (1936)*
- *Pioneers on Parade (1939) –With Dymphna*
- *My Career Goes Bung (1946)*
- *On Dearborn Street (1981)*

Introduction

In the novel *My Career goes bung*, portrayed a young girl of Australia, it was written by author Miles Franklin. It was an autobiographical novel of Sybylla Penelope Melvyn, and she was the protagonist of the novel. This novel talks about the sufferings and pain of a young girl whose life is full of misery. Though she was a young girl she faced lots of problem throughout her life. In those days women's were not allowed to going out of the house, they would be live inside the four walls and do the households works and becoming a workers. Through this she tried to convey that women are no longer to be treated as birds in the cage instead they should be given equal liberty and opportunities as men.

“If you educate a man you educate an individual, however, if you educate a woman you educate a whole family. Women empowered means mother India empowered”

-Sri Jawaharlal Nehru.

Pessimistic life of Sybylla

Her father had invested a lot of money in politics, but he was cheated by his companions during his absence and they become poverty and she said that it's cause to lose enthusiasm and initiative curse. After that they lost their possessions and they became poor, because of his carelessness he lost everything. As a woman, her mother went to work and took care of her family and she felt very bad about her husband because husband who has take care of the family but he failed to do that, because of those incidents in her life made her to think, that marriage they both need to balance their family and they must manage the situation together. But in the case of Sybylla's mother it was totally opposite. These kinds of incidents and situation gave her a bad opinion about marriage life. Though she was young girl she came forward to help her father in politics, at her age no one knows even what the meaning of politics is? But she stood for her father.

When she was a young girl, she was interested in music, art, and readings books. She told her desire to her school master Old Harris. She thought to write some article on autobiography, and her Pa said you are girl so you are not supposed to write articles, if you were a boy I would have been allowed you to write such articles, her mother also opposed.

“What are you doing there like tom-boy?” inquired by Ma.

“You must change your ways now. The happiest days you'll ever know are over-all play and no work and worry. You'll find a life in different matter.” (MCB pg.no 5)

For that she was insulted by her parents, she said that it was a storm between her and her mother. After that she was forced by her mother to get marry a suitor, but she refuse to get marry because she had career.

A spontaneous career

She couldn't bother about anyone, she concentrate only on her career, she had a good practicing of writing with pen on the lovely paper, and she began to write a spontaneous career. At her age of girls they would be in indoors but boys are bushranger's engine driver, she says that she was longing for something. She wrote an article which was published in the magazines without her knowledge it was published by the greatest Australian author.

One fine day she had received a large parcel with English Stamps. After that she came to know that the article was published, she was frightened. On the other side she was very happy about publishing. After that she began to burn her articles, because if her parents knew about these things definitely they will scold her, before that her parents noticed that. And they asked her about the magazines but she couldn't open her mouth. But in the present society if the children wrote articles, the family members they gave them supports to write such articles. But in the case of Sybylla felt very sad because she had no liberty to write such an article about her own life.

Violence against her will

In her village, the people had a bad impact on her; because she wrote about her own life and the sufferings which she had faced in at "Possumgully". Though she was writing articles, but she couldn't get any reputation for writing. There she lacks a peace in her life, so she feels distress about her work and also her family. The people in their village they started to speak ill about her, and they attacked her Pa by their words. The village people complained about Sybylla's works with her mother, but her mother also knows about her so she couldn't give any reply to villagers.

After all the commotions, she left possumgully, to continue her work in fashionable Sydney. But in Sydney also the people were hurted her for her writings. As a girl, she wants harmony in her life but wherever went, she was insulted by the people. In Sydney the people were living the high standard of lives when it compared to Possumgully. In the present society, there are many feminist writers, but according to this novel, author's opinion was opposed the feminist writing in this novel. But now-a-days the feminist writers play an important role in the society. After she went to Sydney she felt very bad about her life because people at Sydney wore fashionable clothes for evening dress, and they lived luxurious lives. She was ashamed upon herself, because she lives such a life which was full of emptiness. Even she couldn't have a proper dress to wear; it shows how she led her life in such a way.

Sacrificed life of Sybylla

Sybylla says that her life was full of problem and no one can understand her feeling. The people of Sydney they were also talked ill about her writings, but she didn't bother about it, and she concentrated on her writings and she wrote many articles, and she was forced to marry a man, who was in love with her, but she refused to marry him, she had a career in her life. As she was a girl she overcome all the struggles in her life and tried to live a better life which she could live, it was possible only through her dreams and not in reality. Author has portrayed Sybylla as a girl who

only suffered in her life; she knows only the meaning of happiness which she never felt in her life, the author has forced her as an example to other girls in the society. According to this novel, Sybylla's life was spoiled by her parents because if the educated her she may succeed in her life and the reason for her miserable life was her parents because the parents were held responsible for the children. In the present society, the children are given education because the parents know the value of education.

Conclusion

Women have faced vast amount of discrimination in workplace, family and society. They have been victimized and violence by the society as well as in family. Education emerged an important role in everyone's life. But the society they refused to give right to education for girl child, if they get educated they may know how to live a life. Education is milestones which may change their life. In this novel if she gets educated in her life it may be a meaningful one.

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