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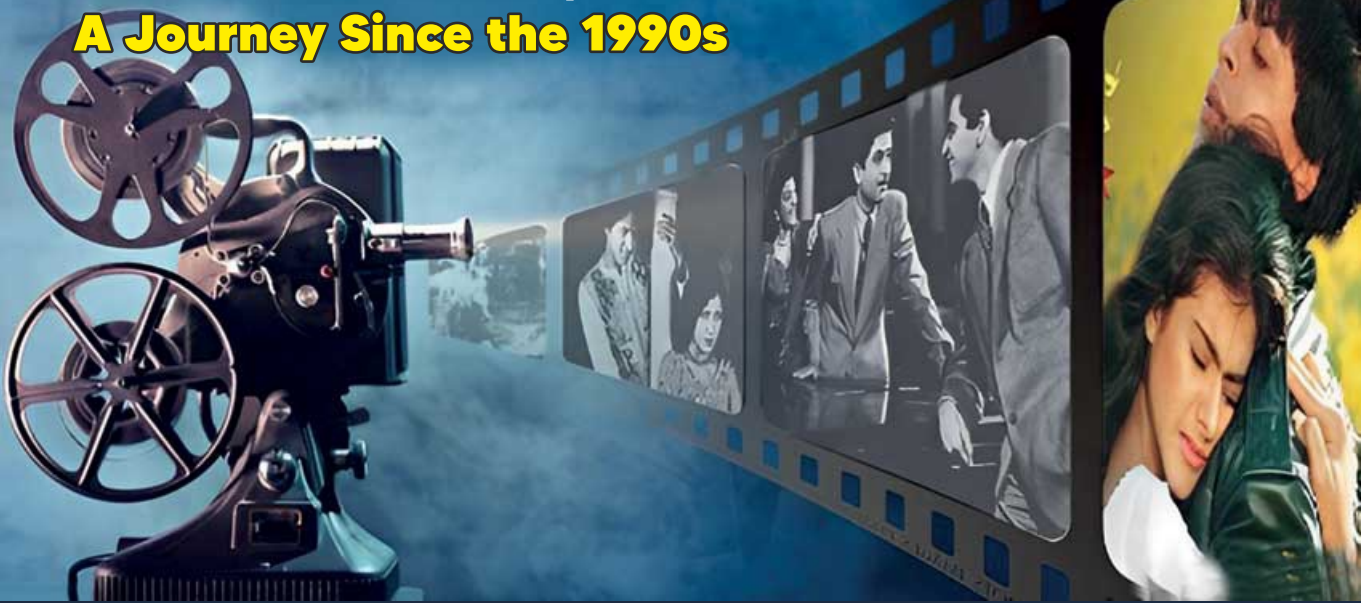
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Evolution of Women Portrayal in Indian Cinema: A Journey Since the 1990s



Introduction:

Indian cinema, often termed as Bollywood, has played a significant role in shaping societal norms and perceptions, including those related to gender roles and the portrayal of women. Over the decades, there has been a noticeable evolution in how women are depicted on screen, reflecting the changing dynamics of Indian society. This article aims to delve into the portrayal of women in Indian cinema since the 1990s, exploring how their representation has evolved, the impact it has had on audience perspectives, the aspirations of women in the industry, societal treatment, and the dichotomy between actual cinema portrayal and societal realities.



Evolution of Women Portrayal:

1. The 1990s: Traditional Roles and Stereotypes

- During the 1990s, Indian cinema predominantly depicted women in traditional roles, often portraying them as submissive, obedient daughters, wives, or mothers.

- Female characters were typically portrayed as

virtuous and sacrificing, conforming to societal expectations and patriarchal norms.

- While there were occasional exceptions, such as Sridevi's empowered roles in films like "Chandni" and "Lamhe," they were few and far between, overshadowed by the prevailing stereotypes.

2. Early 2000s: Winds of Change

- The early 2000s witnessed a gradual shift in the portrayal of women in Indian cinema, reflecting changing societal attitudes and aspirations.

- Filmmakers began exploring more nuanced and layered female characters, who were independent, ambitious, and assertive.

- Movies like "Chalte Chalte," "Hum Tum," and "Mujhse Shaadi Karogi" depicted women as individuals with their own goals, dreams, and flaws, breaking away from traditional stereotypes.



3. Mid-2000s to 2010s: Empowerment and Representation

- The mid-2000s to 2010s marked a significant period of empowerment and representation for women in Indian cinema.

- Filmmakers and actresses collaborated to portray women-centric narratives that challenged societal norms and celebrated female agency.

- Movies like **"Queen," "Kahaani,"** and **"Mary Kom"** showcased strong, independent female protagonists who navigated various challenges and triumphed on their own terms.

- These films not only resonated with audiences but also inspired discussions about gender equality and women's rights.



4. 2020s and Beyond: Intersectionality and Inclusivity

- In the 2020s, Indian cinema continues to evolve, embracing intersectionality and inclusivity in its portrayal of women.

- Filmmakers are increasingly exploring diverse narratives that reflect the experiences of women from different backgrounds, including LGBTQ+ individuals, marginalized communities, and women with disabilities.

- Movies like **"Thappad," "Gunjan Saxena: The Kargil Girl,"** and **"Shakuntala Devi"** highlight the multifaceted nature of women's experiences, challenging stereotypes and championing diversity.

Impact on Audience Perspectives:

- The evolving portrayal of women in Indian cinema has played a crucial role in shaping audience perspectives and challenging societal norms.

- As audiences witness more diverse and realistic representations of women on screen, their perceptions of gender roles and expectations undergo a

transformation.

- Empowering narratives and relatable characters inspire viewers to rethink traditional gender stereotypes and advocate for gender equality both on and off-screen.

Aspirations of Women in the Industry:

- The changing landscape of Indian cinema has also influenced the aspirations of women within the industry.

- Actresses, filmmakers, writers, and other professionals are increasingly vocal about their desire for more substantial and meaningful roles for women.

- Women in the industry are breaking barriers and challenging the status quo, advocating for equal opportunities, representation, and recognition.



Societal Treatment and Actual Cinema Portrayal:

- Despite the progress in cinema, the societal treatment of women continues to lag behind.

- While Indian cinema has made strides in portraying women as empowered individuals, societal attitudes towards women are often entrenched in patriarchal norms and gender biases.

- Issues such as gender-based violence, discrimination, and unequal opportunities persist, highlighting the dissonance between actual cinema portrayal and societal realities.

- However, cinema has the power to influence societal change by sparking conversations, raising awareness, and challenging ingrained prejudices.

Conclusion:

- The portrayal of women in Indian cinema has undergone a remarkable evolution since the 1990s, reflecting changing societal dynamics and aspirations.

- From traditional stereotypes to nuanced and empowered representations, Indian cinema has played a pivotal role in reshaping audience perspectives and advocating for gender equality.

- As the industry continues to evolve, it is essential to amplify the voices and experiences of women, both on and off-screen, to create a more inclusive and equitable society.

The Critical Role of Voters in a Democracy: Upholding the Foundation of Governance

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In the rich tapestry of democracy, voters are the weavers who shape its core. They hold the threads that weave the fabric of governance, and their function goes beyond mere participation to embody the very essence of democratic ideas. Within the busy arenas of elections, their decisions resound as a nation's heartbeat, influencing its destiny and establishing its collective character.

Empowerment Choice:

The fundamental idea of choice is central to democratic governance. Regardless of social level or background, voters can shape their country's course. Voters commit their goals, dreams, and aspirations to representatives who will advocate for them.

Accountability Watchdogs:

Voters act as diligent guardians of accountability within the democratic structure. By holding politicians accountable for their acts, they foster a culture of openness and integrity in governance. They deploy the vote box to reward effort and condemn negligence, producing a system in which public servants are unwaveringly committed to the well-being of the people they oversee.

Champions for Diversification and Inclusion:

In the mosaic of democracy, voters champion the values of variety and inclusiveness. Their selections reflect the diverse range of societal perspectives, including philosophies, beliefs, and future dreams. By accepting variety, voters foster a climate in which

dialogue thrives, consensus arises, and progression becomes inclusive, responding to the interests of all divisions of society.

Protectors of Justice and Equality:

Voters serve as sentinels of justice and equality, unwavering in their commitment to the concepts of fairness and equity. They use their united voice to fight systematic injustices, demand fair policies, and work to establish a society in which all individuals have equal chances and privileges. Their persistent devotion to justice shines as a beacon of hope, ushering nations toward a future in which no one is left behind.

Agents of Change:

Above all, electors are the primary agents of change in the framework of democracy. Empowered with the ballot, individuals have the transformative potential to change the unfolding events of history. Voters reflect their beliefs of change, whether they advocate for social reforms, solve pressing hardships, or reign in a new age of growth igniting the flames of possibility and propelling their nations towards greater heights.

The Dual Nature of Voting:

In a system of government, voting serves as a fundamental right and a civic duty, representing the core of citizenry and governance. This dual mandate underscores its vital function in shaping nations while upholding democratic norms. Citizens who exercise their right and duty to vote to affirm sovereignty, promote equality, and defend the cornerstone of democracy.

My Grandmother

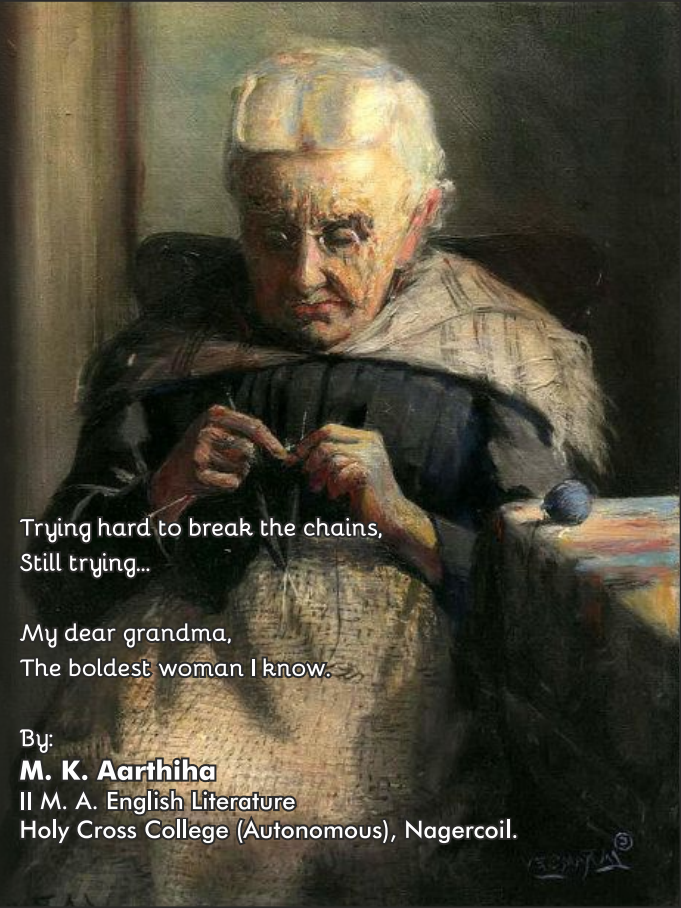
She is a bold woman I know,
with scars hidden deep in her heart.
She kept running from dawn to dusk,
as if she is a clock.

Submerged into the four walls,
The walls of a prison named 'Home',
She was left with no choice but to accept
everything...

Happiness and sorrows,
Maybe only sorrows.
She is a bold woman I know.

She was forced to live in a cage,
but her heart desires to fly,
which her broken wings could never do.
She is a bold woman I know.

Still trying to mend her wings,
Still trying to heal her scars,



Trying hard to break the chains,
Still trying...

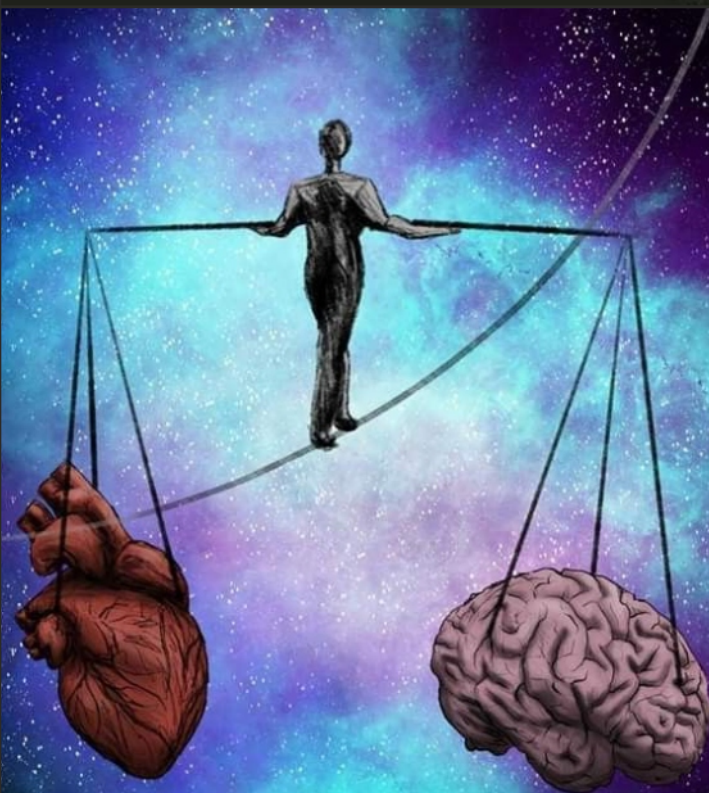
My dear grandma,
The boldest woman I know.

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Life is a Paradox

International Day of Happiness (March 20)

CRY has 3 letters, so does JOY
HURT has 4 letters, so does HEAL
UNDER has 5 letters, so does ABOVE
HAPPY has 5 letters, so does ANGER
RIGHT has 5 letters, so does WRONG
LYING has 5 letters, so does TRUTH
ENEMIES has 7 letters, so does FRIEND
POSITIVE has 8 letters, so does NEGATIVE

It means life is a Double-edged sword.
Transform the negativity into positivity.....

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The Four Waves of Feminism: Evolution, Challenges, and Impact



Introduction:

Feminism, as a socio-political movement advocating for gender equality, has evolved through distinct waves, each marked by its unique goals, challenges, and contributions. From challenging traditional gender roles to fighting for reproductive rights and intersectional equality, feminism has continuously adapted to address the ever-changing landscape of gender discrimination. This article delves into the four waves of feminism, how people have treated feminists, notable feminists in India, their activism, the purpose and need of feminism, and why it remains relevant today.

Wave 1: The Suffragette Movement and First-Wave Feminism (Late 19th to Early 20th Century)

The first wave of feminism emerged in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, primarily focused on achieving women's suffrage. Activists such as Susan B. Anthony, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, and Emmeline Pankhurst led the charge for voting rights and legal recognition of women's equality. However, they faced harsh opposition from society, with many labeled as radicals or troublemakers for challenging the status quo.

Wave 2: The Women's Liberation Movement and Second-Wave Feminism (1960s to 1980s)

The second wave of feminism was characterized by a broader scope of issues beyond suffrage, including reproductive rights, workplace equality, and addressing systemic sexism. Prominent figures like Betty Friedan, Gloria Steinem, and bell hooks played instrumental roles in raising awareness and mobilizing women to demand social and political change. Despite making significant

strides, second-wave feminists encountered backlash and resistance from conservative groups and some segments of society who feared losing traditional power dynamics.

Wave 3: Intersectionality and Third-Wave Feminism (1990s to early 2000s)

The third wave of feminism expanded its focus to include intersectionality, acknowledging the interconnected nature of oppression based on race, class, sexuality, and other identities. Figures like Kimberlé Crenshaw, Audre Lorde, and Angela Davis emphasized the importance of inclusive feminism that addresses the diverse experiences of women. However, third-wave feminists faced criticism for internal divisions and debates over issues such as sex positivity and the role of men in feminism.

Wave 4: Digital Activism and Fourth-Wave Feminism (2000s to Present)

The fourth wave of feminism is characterized by digital activism and social media advocacy, leveraging online platforms to raise awareness, organize protests, and hold institutions accountable for gender-based discrimination. Figures like Malala Yousafzai, Emma Watson, and Tarana Burke have used their platforms to amplify marginalized voices and challenge patriarchal norms. Despite the progress facilitated by digital connectivity, fourth-wave feminists continue to face online harassment and cyberbullying from misogynistic individuals and hate groups.

Treatment of Feminists:

Throughout history, feminists have been subjected to various forms of mistreatment, including social

ostracization, harassment, and violence. From being dismissed as hysterical or radical to facing threats and backlash for their activism, feminists have often borne the brunt of societal resistance to gender equality. However, their resilience and determination have fueled the ongoing fight for women's rights and social justice.

Notable Feminists in India:

India has a rich history of feminist activism, with notable figures making significant contributions to the women's movement. Some well-known Indian feminists include:

1. Kamala Das: A prolific writer and poet, Kamala Das challenged societal norms through her bold and provocative writings, advocating for women's autonomy and sexual liberation.

2. Arundhati Roy: Best known for her novel "The God of Small Things," Arundhati Roy is also a vocal activist, addressing issues such as environmental justice, caste discrimination, and gender inequality.

3. Vandana Shiva: An environmental activist and scholar, Vandana Shiva has advocated for sustainable development and women's empowerment, highlighting the interconnectedness of ecological and social issues.

4. Medha Patkar: A social activist and founder of the Narmada Bachao Andolan (Save Narmada Movement), Medha Patkar has been at the forefront of campaigns against forced displacement and environmental degradation, advocating for the rights of marginalized communities, including women.

Demonstration of feminists:

Indian feminists demonstrate their commitment to gender equality through various forms of activism, including:

1. Writing and Literature: Many Indian feminists express their ideas and experiences through literature, poetry, and essays, challenging patriarchal norms and advocating for women's rights.

2. Grassroots Organizing: Feminist activists in India work at the grassroots level, mobilizing communities, providing support services, and advocating for policy change to address issues such as gender-based violence, education inequality, and economic empowerment.

3. Legal Advocacy: Indian feminists engage in legal advocacy to challenge discriminatory laws and practices, promote legal literacy among women, and ensure access to justice for survivors of gender-based violence.

4. Cultural Critique: Through art, media, and cultural interventions, Indian feminists critique harmful stereotypes and representations of women, promoting alternative narratives that celebrate diversity and

empowerment.

Purpose and Need of Feminism:

The purpose of feminism is to challenge and dismantle systems of oppression and inequality based on gender, striving for a society where all individuals have equal rights, opportunities, and dignity regardless of their gender identity. Feminism seeks to address a wide range of issues, including:

1. Gender-Based Violence: Feminism aims to eradicate all forms of violence against women, including domestic violence, sexual assault, and trafficking, by challenging societal attitudes and supporting survivors.

2. Economic Justice: Feminism advocates for equal pay, workplace equality, and access to economic opportunities for women, addressing structural barriers to financial independence and economic security.

3. Reproductive Rights: Feminism fights for reproductive rights and bodily autonomy, including access to contraception, abortion, and comprehensive healthcare, without interference or coercion.

4. Intersectionality: Feminism recognizes the intersecting forms of oppression that impact individuals based on their race, class, sexuality, disability, and other identities, striving for an inclusive movement that centers the experiences of marginalized communities.

People need feminism because gender inequality persists in all aspects of society, depriving individuals of their fundamental rights and freedoms based on gender norms and stereotypes. Despite progress in some areas, women and marginalized genders continue to face systemic discrimination, violence, and barriers to full participation in social, economic, and political life. Feminism provides a critical framework for understanding and challenging these injustices, promoting gender equity and social transformation.

Conclusion:

The four waves of feminism represent a continuum of struggle and progress, each building upon the achievements and challenges of its predecessors. From suffrage to digital activism, feminists have pushed boundaries, shattered stereotypes, and transformed societies, inspiring future generations to continue the fight for gender equality. As we reflect on the past and present of feminism, let us renew our commitment to building a more just and inclusive world for all genders.

Unyielding Dedication

CELEBRATING WOMEN ACHIEVERS WHO HAVE DEVOTED THEIR LIVES TO SUCCESS



In every corner of the globe, there are remarkable women who have dedicated their lives to pursuing excellence in their chosen fields. These women have defied societal norms, overcome obstacles, and demonstrated unparalleled dedication to achieving their goals. In this article, we shine a spotlight on some of these extraordinary individuals, exploring their journeys, accomplishments, and the unwavering determination that propelled them forward.

1. Malala Yousafzai: A Beacon of Education and Activism



Malala Yousafzai, the youngest-ever Nobel Prize laureate, has dedicated her life to advocating for girls' education. Despite facing threats and a near-fatal attack by the Taliban, Malala's resolve to fight for education rights only strengthened. Through her foundation, she continues to champion education for all, inspiring millions with her courage and unwavering

commitment to her cause.

2. Oprah Winfrey: Empowering Through Media and Philanthropy



Oprah Winfrey's journey from a difficult childhood to becoming one of the most influential media moguls is a testament to her dedication and resilience. Through her talk show, magazine, and philanthropic endeavors, Oprah has empowered countless individuals to overcome

adversity and live their best lives. Her commitment to using her platform for positive change has left an indelible mark on society.

3. Serena Williams: Redefining Success in Sports



Serena Williams, one of the greatest tennis players of all time, has dedicated her life to mastering her craft and breaking barriers in the world of sports. Despite facing discrimination and adversity throughout her career, Serena's determination to succeed has never wavered. Her relentless pursuit of excellence on and off the court has inspired generations of athletes and cemented her legacy

as a true champion.

4. Wangari Maathai: Environmental Champion and Trailblazer



Wangari Maathai, the first African woman to receive the Nobel Peace Prize, dedicated her life to environmental conservation and social activism. Through her organization, the Green Belt Movement, Wangari empowered women to plant trees, combat deforestation, and promote sustainable development. Her tireless advocacy for the environment

and human rights continues to inspire global action and positive change.

5. Marie Curie: Pioneering Scientist and Nobel Laureate



Marie Curie's groundbreaking research in radioactivity earned her two Nobel Prizes and revolutionized the field of science. Despite facing gender discrimination in a male-dominated field, Curie's dedication to her work never faltered. Her discoveries have had a profound impact on medicine, physics, and chemistry, inspiring future generations of scientists to

pursue their passions fearlessly.

6. Mother Teresa: A Life of Compassion and Service



Mother Teresa dedicated her life to serving the poorest of the poor, embodying the principles of compassion and selflessness. Through her work with the Missionaries of Charity, she provided care and support to the most vulnerable members of society, earning her the Nobel Peace Prize and the admiration of millions around the world. Her

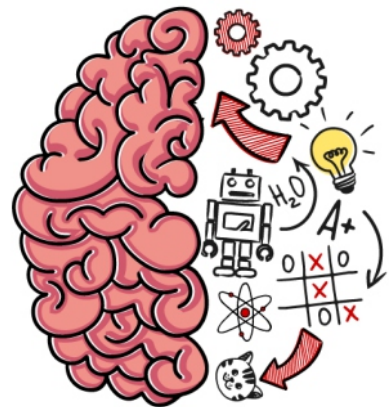
unwavering commitment to serving others continues to inspire acts of kindness and generosity.

These women achievers serve as shining examples of the power of dedication, resilience, and passion in the pursuit of success. Despite facing numerous challenges and obstacles, they have remained steadfast in their commitment to their goals, leaving a lasting legacy that continues to inspire and empower others. As we celebrate their achievements, let us also recognize the countless women around the world who, like them, are dedicating their lives to making a positive difference in their communities and beyond.



BRAIN TEST!

1. I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. I have no body, but I come alive with the wind. What am I?
2. The more you take, the more you leave behind. What am I?
3. I am taken from a mine, and shut up in a wooden case, from which I am never released, and yet I am used by almost every person. What am I?
4. What has keys but can't open locks?
5. I'm tall when I'm young, and I'm short when I'm old. What am I?
6. What has a head, a tail, is brown, and has no legs?
7. What can travel around the world while staying in a corner?
8. What can you hold without ever touching or using your hands?
9. The more you feed me, the more I grow. What am I?
10. What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?



Here are the answers to the riddles:

1. An echo
2. Footsteps
3. Pencil lead/graphite
4. A piano
5. A candle
6. A penny
7. A stamp
8. Your breath
9. A fire
10. The letter "m"

AN EXPLORATION ON WOMEN EMPOWERMENT



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Empowerment of women is a major concern of the civilized world, which has recognized that as compared to men, women are more illiterate, undernourished, poorer and longer hours carrying out unpaid tasks. How can we expect to grow in a world where women are not involved in decision making or given equality? It has become vital to empower our women in society now more than ever.

Women empowerment is not just about teaching women or involving women in the decision-making process, women empowerment is about gender equality, accepting their thoughts and viewpoints, appreciating their efforts and decisions without forcing them.

Women's empowerment cannot be achieved in a day, it is a long chain of little efforts every day. Governments of several countries and NGOs are sensitive to the marginalization of women due to social and cultural reasons and are working hard to provide equal opportunities and skills to them, so that they become self-sufficient. Several laws have been put in place to protect women from gender discrimination, violence and provide equal access to services, education, employment, ownership of property, etc...

Moreover, the education and freedom scenario is very regressive here. Women are not allowed to pursue higher education, they are married off early.

The men are still dominating women in some regions like it's the women's duty to work for him endlessly.

The individuals and government must both come together to make it happen. Education for girls must be made compulsory so that women can become literate to make a life for themselves. When a woman is given a leadership position, she will be a pillar to others. By women leading, it will also give young girls an enthusiasm to learn to be future leaders and to fight for their position without fear of discrimination.

Nearly every country has a part of ill-treating women. Firstly, in this country, women are at threat of honour killings. Their family believes it is correct to sacrifice their lives if they bring embarrassment to the status of their legacy. Many women tolerate abusive relationship under the pressure of society. Parents must educate their daughters it is wrong to tolerate anyone's abuse, even if they are abused by their own family. They should take action whenever it is necessary.

Women are our strengths, they are the real architects of our society. There is urgent need of empowering women because Henry Clinton once said that "Women are the largest untapped reservoir of talent in the world."

Let's empower women and encourage them to get quality education!

Women Empowerment

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The word 'Women Empowerment' itself implies that women are not powerful enough they need to be empowered. This painful truth has been in existence for long time. It is in recent years that noticeable work started beginning to lift women out of the abyss of insignificance and powerlessness the patriarchal society suppressed women's freedom across the world.

Women Empowerment refers to making women powerful to make them capable of deciding for themselves. Women have suffered a lot through the years at the hands of some men's. In earlier centuries, they were treated as almost non-existent. As the times evolved, women realised their power. There on began the revolution for women empowerment. Almost all country, no matter how progressive has a history of ill-treating women. Women from all over the world have been rebellious to reach the status they have today. While Western countries like India still lack behind in women Empowerment.

In India, women Empowerment is needed more over than ever. India is amongst the countries which are not safe for women. There are various reasons for this case. Firstly, women in India are in danger of honour killings. Their family thinks it's right to take their lives if they bring shame of the reputation of their legacy.

There are various ways in how one can empower women. The individual and government must both come together to make it happen. Education for girls must be compulsory so that women can become illiterate to make a life for themselves.

Women must be given equal opportunities in every field, irrespective of gender. Moreover they must also be given equal pay. We can empower women by abolishing child marriage various programs must be held where they can be taught skills to fend for themselves in case they face financial crisis. Most importantly, the shame of divorce and abuse must be thrown out of the window. Many women stay in abusive relationship because of the fear of the society. Women should feel the freedom.

Women are an essential priority in India, although on other hand they are not treated well in family and society.

'Women constitute half the power of the country', so women's empowerment is essential to make this country a mighty nation. Women need to be empowered rather than fall prey to male rudeness.

Inequality between men and women in society create a lot of problems, which become a significant obstacle in the way to success of the nation. Women are more capable of handling any impulsive violence than men in the family or society. Through women's empowerment, it may be likely to convert the man-dominated country into a rich. Economy country.

"A Woman with a voice is, a strong woman". About 40% of the country's population is in uneducated if we do not allow the girls of our country to become self-reliant then the women of our country will remain only in the kitchen. Moreover, women's are stronger than the men's has women can tolerate the pregnancy pain and give birth to her child.

Women's contribution to the gross domestic product (GDP) in India is at 17% much lower than the global average of 37%. Nearly 54% of criminal offences in India involve women and it's also reported that at national capital Delhi, over 90% of women have been experienced some kind of physical or sexual offence in public places.

"There is no limit to what we, as women, can accomplish". Nowadays people are afraid of sending their daughter to their own relatives place it's because of the recent news that we get day to day in our lives are pretending throughout the parents. Not because of every men this scenario has occurred it is because of some men who are thinking women as a thing not understanding their feelings and emotions.

Still, we refuse to take some action this might be continued without an end. Now we are better than the people in the olden days. Women are able to live their life with dignity and self-respect. Women empowerment brings better health facilities for the women which in turn improve overall health status of the country in a better manner.

To develop India as a superpower the development of women is equally important and it should be a priority to give her a chance to develop herself. To archive it we

should focus mainly of the education of girls. Women should be proud of being a woman, so that she should get everything that the men's get. They should feel safe and secure to travel anywhere without any type of disturbance given by the society. 'We don't need to call it has feminism we call it has our rights', women's are the one who plays main roles in their men's life. Always men should be thankful and remember that without a woman there is no mention can be born. A women can handle any situation very boldly with fascinated ideas and thoughts.

" The greatest need of the hour is change of social attitudes to women". To get women Empowerment to Indian nation, the main cause of evil practice against women that are the hierarchical and male-dominated societal structure need to be understood and abolished. We people should make our women to empower and enhance their rights.

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A Tribute To Women Empowerment

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In every stride, she paints her grace,

A symphony of strength, a timeless embrace.

She holds the world within her gaze,

A beacon of hope in life's maze.

She rises fierce, her voice a song,

Breaking chains of oppression, righting every wrong.

With resilience as her armor, she stands tall,

Defying limits, she conquers all.

Her wisdom echoes through the ages,

Guiding hearts, flipping history's pages.

She's the architect of dreams, the catalyst of change,

In her presence, the world rearranges.

In her eyes, the fire of passion burns bright,

Fueling revolutions, igniting the fight.

She nurtures, she heals, she builds anew,

Her essence, a testament to what is true.

With every step, she claims her space,

A force of nature, a divine embrace.

Empowered she stands, in unity,

For she's the cornerstone of humanity.



Love's Flawless Grace

In love's sanctuary, devoid of expectation's weight,
Only love and tender affection hold sway, innate.
The utterance of "love" by the lover, divine,
Life's hues become a canvas, exquisitely designed.
For the beloved, a willingness profound,
To do anything, a symphony of love resounds.
Eternal, beyond time's fleeting space,
Love, an ageless melody, adorned with grace.
For some, god dwells in love's pure embrace,
A force transcendent, shaping destiny's chase.
It demands not beauty, wealth, or favor,
Love, for many, the divine, an eternal savior.
Immutable, accepting in its gentle hold,
The beloved, unique, in love's story unfolds.
Patience, a virtue in love's sweet rhyme,
Waiting, never angered, through the sands of time.
Comparison finds no place in love's vast sea,
Each embraced soul, a cherished mystery.
Hugs and kisses, a memory ever sweet,
Love's flawless grace, in every heartbeat.



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A Symphony of Student-Hood

In the tapestry of youth, a student's cheerful song,
An age of joy, where echoes of laughter belong.
Embracing every moment, free from life's alloy,
A blissful era, where the heart finds pure joy.

Navigating the journey with a carefree glee,
Easing through challenges, like waves on the sea.
A maestro of friendship, crafting bonds anew,
Turning foes to friends, the student's art so true.

Extending hands of help to comrades in need,
Facing hurdles with a smile, planting hope as a seed.
Unforgettable age, a chapter to eternally hold,
A repository of memories, more precious than gold.

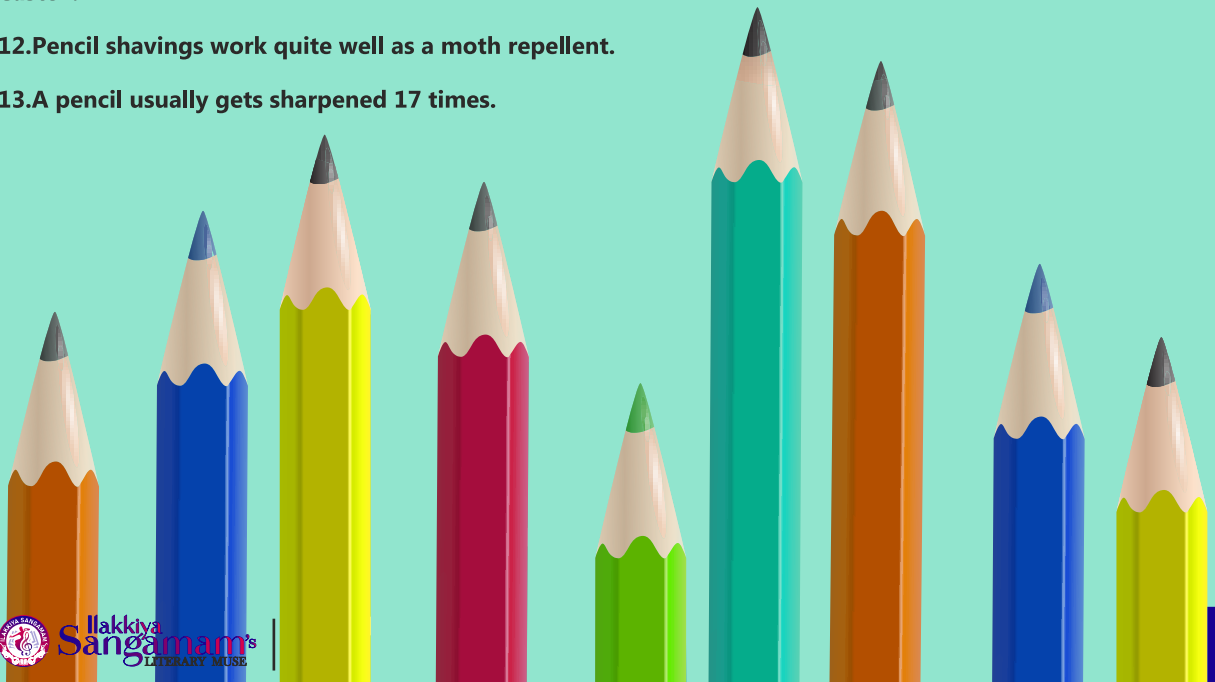


Laughter, the language spoken, a melody in the air,
Every moment cherished, beyond compare.
In this age, where carefree spirits intertwine,
The student's life, a radiant sun that will forever shine.

March 30

World Pencil Day

- 1.The world's longest pencil is 323.51 meters in length.
- 2.Novelist John Steinbeck is known to have composed his novels with up to sixty pencils per day.
- 3.During the Civil War, pencils were one of the basic supplies provided to Union troops.
- 4.In 1795, a Frenchman by the name of Nicolas-Jacques Conté became the first to patent a method for producing clay and graphite.
- 5.Globally, Emilio Arenas, a Uruguayan, possesses the greatest assortment of lead pencils. He owns a Guinness Book of World Records and 16,260 pencils from all over the world.
- 6.A standard pencil has a 45,000-word capacity.
- 7.People used to wipe their mistakes with breadcrumbs before erasers were invented.
- 8.Many well-known writers have reported feeling particularly inspired when using a pencil.
- 9.A typical tree can yield about 170,000 pencils.
- 10.Every year, 15 billion pencils are made worldwide.
- 11.The biggest pencil manufacturer in the world is called Faber-Castell.
- 12.Pencil shavings work quite well as a moth repellent.
- 13.A pencil usually gets sharpened 17 times.



Important Days in March 2024

3 World Wildlife Day

January 2, the day following the dreaded celebrations of the previous year is observed as World Introvert Day in order to better understand the numerous introverts all over the world. It is the ideal day to honor introverts by giving them the time and space they require.



8 International Women's Day

A day dedicated to celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women. It also serves as a call to action for gender equality.



15 World Consumer Rights Day

This day raises awareness about consumer rights and responsibilities, advocating for fair and ethical business practices and promoting consumer protection laws.



20 International Day of Happiness

This day promotes the idea that happiness is a fundamental human goal and emphasizes the importance of well-being and mental health in achieving a happier and more sustainable world.



21 World Poetry Day

Celebrates the art of poetry and its important role in cultures around the world. It promotes linguistic diversity and encourages the reading, writing, and teaching of poetry.



6 International Day of Forests

Raises awareness about the importance of forests for biodiversity, climate regulation, and sustainable development. It emphasizes the need to conserve and sustainably manage forests for future generations.



21 World Down Syndrome Day

A day to raise public awareness about Down syndrome and promote the rights, inclusion, and well-being of people with Down syndrome. It also celebrates their abilities and accomplishments.



22 World Water Day

A day focused on raising awareness about the importance of freshwater and advocating for the sustainable management of water resources. It addresses issues such as water scarcity, pollution, and access to clean drinking water.



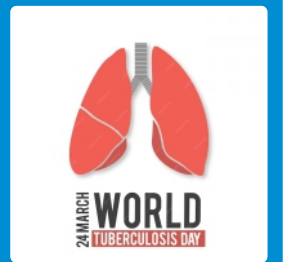
23 World Meteorological Day

Focuses on raising awareness about the importance of meteorology and weather forecasting for safety, economy, and environmental protection. It highlights the work of meteorological organizations worldwide.



24 World Tuberculosis Day

Dedicated to raising awareness about tuberculosis (TB), a bacterial infection that primarily affects the lungs. The day aims to highlight the global efforts to eliminate TB and improve prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.



Important Days in March 2024

21 International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims

Commemorates victims of human rights violations and promotes the right to truth and justice for victims and their families.



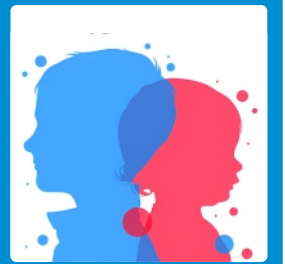
30 Earth Hour

An annual event where millions of people around the world turn off their lights for one hour to raise awareness about climate change and the importance of energy conservation.



30 World Bipolar Day

Dedicated to raising awareness about bipolar disorder, a mental health condition characterized by extreme mood swings. It aims to reduce stigma, promote understanding, and support those affected by the disorder.



30 National Doctor's Day

Honors physicians and their contributions to society. It recognizes the dedication, hard work, and compassion of doctors in providing healthcare and saving lives.



31 Transgender Day of Visibility

Celebrates transgender people and raises awareness about the discrimination they face. It aims to promote acceptance, visibility, and equality for transgender individuals worldwide.



Tongue Twisters

Here are some different tongue twisters for you:

1. Six slippery snails slid slowly seaward.
2. Unique New York's unique, you know, and you know New York's unique, you know.
3. Black bug's blood.
4. Eleven benevolent elephants.
5. Toy boat. (Repeat it quickly multiple times!)

Enjoy the challenge!





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About us:

Nurturing literature and fine arts:

Ilakkiya sangamam is a trust that has taken up the commendable task of developing and promoting the various literature fields and fine arts. This is a visionary trust that serves as a vibrant platform for the writers and artists. It recognises the emerging writers in the path of literature. Through this, it paves the way for shaping the public vision of arts and literature. The trust also encourages and honours the contributors.

Understanding the importance and accessibility, Ilakkiya sangamam promotes public participation in the world of fine arts and literature. This will grab the attention of young arbiters and they could get knowledge immensely. The trust also organises exhibitions, literary events, workshops and seminars and invites student's interest and enthusiasm in this. As Ilakkiya sangamam paves a way forward, it remains dedicated towards literature sector and fine arts. In order to achieve its objectives, Ilakkiya sangamam welcomes collaborations and partnerships with like-minded organisations which also seek the benefit of spreading the knowledge of literature and arts. Through all these, it creates a new artistic line from which everybody could be benefitted and get themselves stuck into the area of fine arts. The trust also ensures the take away for the young generation by promoting and honouring their contribution for this.

With deep sense of responsibility and a profound belief in the power of arts, the trust endeavours to make a lasting and a meaningful contribution to the society of fine arts and literature. To form a vibrant artistic community there must be an initiator. Ilakkiya sangamam acts as a powerful initiator for the emerging writers. Recognising that fine arts (music and dance) and literature, that are prominent in the history and tradition, the trust takes active measures to conserve the arts and manuscript through the writers. Ilakkiya sangamam is a visionary trust that passionately promotes and celebrates the heritage of our tradition in the form of creativity in fine arts and literature. This immensely takes our students to a better understanding of fine arts and literature.

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