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SECTION - A

1. Happiness is nothing more than good health and a bad memory.

प्रसन्नता अच्छे स्वास्थ्य और बुरी याददाश्त से ज्यादा कुछ नहीं है।

2. One can evade reality but one cannot evade consequences of evading reality.

कोई वास्तविकता से बच सकता है लेकिन वास्तविकता से बचने के परिणामों से नहीं बच सकता।

3. Civilization begins with order, grows with liberty and dies with chaos.

सभ्यता व्यवस्था से शुरू होती है, स्वतंत्रता के साथ बढ़ती है और अराजकता से मर जाती है।

4. Listen with curiosity, speak with honesty, act with integrity.

जिज्ञासा से सुनें, ईमानदारी से बोलें, सत्यनिष्ठा से कार्य करें।

2) One can evade Reality but one cannot evade consequences of evading reality

Aesop was a small boy who lived in the suburb of New York City. One day, he accompanied his mother to a shopping mall. There he saw different types of chocolates lying in a row. He was tempted to see those chocolates. He secretly picked two of them without the knowledge of his mother. Back home, he showed his two chocolates to his mother. His mother on seeing the chocolates said: 'Never

mind Aesop... You have stolen only a chocolate. It is no big issue'. Twenty five years down the line Aesop was arrested by the local police. Reason: He had become the most dreaded thief of the area and ~~it~~ was convicted of multiple acts of thievery and burglary. ~~Exactly~~. His mother was standing at one corner of the house, crying helplessly....

The above anecdote clearly shows that one can evade reality but cannot evade the consequences of evading reality. Had Aesop's mother corrected him in his childhood, recognised the sour reality that his son had indulged into thievery which is ~~more~~ immoral, perhaps she might not have to see her son going to prison.

Evading reality is a common characteristic of humans. People often slip in the reality they want to consume. In such scenario,

people end up evading true reality and hence subsequently faces its consequences. To further understand the multiple facets of evasion of reality and its consequences it is important to understand 'what reality is?'

Reality is the truth which is backed by certain facts. Putting it simply, it is an established truth. Reality as a form is often hard to accept because ~~the~~ the true reality might not suit our thinking, perception or belief. But it is in this process, people start evading reality and hence ^{get} trapped in the endless cycle of evasion of one reality after the other. But what humans ~~face~~ fail to realise is that the consequences of evaded reality stands firm and hence affects us one day or the other. The evasion of Reality can be seen across multiple spheres. In

the social sphere, the reality is that we live in a patriarchal society, which is ridden with gender violence. The reality is also that discrimination like racism, ethnic conflicts exist even today. ~~The~~ Another reality in this sphere is religious fundamentalism leaves no society or country but adversely affects everyone. However, people continue to evade such reality.

The consequences? High incidents of sexual assaults exist across the world. In India, for instance, there has been 7.3% increase in crime against women (NCRB). Countries like USA keep witnessing racial attacks. The infamous case of George Floyd death is just one of it. Similarly, religious fundamentalism leads to terrorism even in countries like Pakistan which

differentiates between Good and Bad Terrorist and support State Promoted Terrorism in India. The Peshawar school blast is one of the examples. Hence, ~~now~~ no-one can evade the consequences of social realities.

Further, in the environmental field too, there are multiple realities that are standing bold. The continuous warming of earth, which biodiversity loss, sixth mass extinction are just some

of the realities. These realities are backed by various facts and researches. The IPCC AR6 data clearly puts that our earth will cross the 1.5°C warming mark in coming two decades. We

are constantly losing our ice sheets due to factors like Arctic Amplification. The extent of flora and fauna is shrinking. These are hard realities which we are continuously evading.

The consequences of evading the above realities, however, is being faced

by humans themselves. The increasing heat waves across Europe and Asia, wildfires in France, severe drought condition in UK that has is drying even River Thames are just some direct consequences. It is leading to loss of man days, degrading health, heat strokes and in humans and what not! Perhaps, hardly anyone can save us from these consequences.

Another field, where human is are in a constant process of evasion of reality is the economic field. In this sphere, we humans blindfold ourselves with the evaded reality that there is no inequality, hardly any poverty existing in our country or world. However, facts show us how massive poverty and obscene inequality is still existing. In India, 10% of the population hold 78% of wealth (Oxfam report). Further, world Bank data

depicts how South Asia and Africa are still trapped in vicious cycle of poverty. But often, the governments across the world, the well off people of the society ignore this reality.

However, the consequence of increasing poverty and inequality leads to problems like radicalisation, migration from ~~the~~ undeveloped or developing world to well off countries. The issue of migration which USA forces from countries like Mexico, El Salvador ~~is~~ is one such instance. Further, as stated above, the poverty induced radicalisation has led to lone wolf attacks even in countries like France, Germany too. ~~The~~

Further, the issue of neo-colonialism and debt trap which countries like China is indulging into is a reality. The consequence of it is ~~the~~ compromise of sovereignty of poor countries

like Zimbabwe, security threat in the Indian ocean region for countries like India and challenges to global hegemony of USA. These consequences of evading the reality of neocolonialism cannot be evaded.

Thus, the underlying conclusion is we need to accept the reality in its true form. However, our new acceptance of reality is somehow embedded in our characteristic and this leads to problem. There are many reasons why people evade reality (besides their underlying reservations towards reality) which are as follows.

Firstly, people are self centred by nature. Sigmund Freud said: Humans are egoistic animals. What goes against their ego, human reject it. The notion of whether 'the reality is what 'I' want to have' often engulfs a human's mind, and limits the thinking

Secondly, the world of social media which has created multiple eco chambers suity a person's need based reality. It promotes the rejection of objective reality and hence make the opinion based. The increasing polarisation on grounds of Left versus Right ideology is nothing ~~but~~ but a manifestation of it.

Thirdly, reasons like state repression, lack of structural conducive of the state, lack of democracy also promotes suppression of reality. The suppression of events like Tianmen Square by China is nothing but hiding ~~its~~ its authoritative reality from its people. It makes the ~~so~~ people myopic in their view and hence ignorant toward the actual reality. Hence, evasion of reality continues.

However, after looking into multiple faces of reality evasion and the reasons behind it, the next question is 'Does a single reality actually exist?' or 'can we say there is just one reality that is objective?'

The answer to the above question is 'Not Actually!' Reality too has multiple forms. For instance, in a ~~gend~~ patriarchal society we often talk about violence towards women. But, what about violence and abuse which males face. What about the transgenders whose issues get subdued amidst the talk of violence against women. Issues like adam teasing is also a reality besides eve teasing. Existing of false cases against dowry/ (>400 as per NCRB), domestic violence & is also a reality which we ignore.

Similarly, in the environmental

field, the reality exists that we need to protect our environment. However, another reality is we can't ignore development too else people would be left unemployed

On similar grounds, issues like accepting persecuted refugees like Rohingyas is a reality driven by human rights, which is true. But how can we ignore the reality that there is a threat of National Security which constantly exist over countries like India due to influx of Rohingyas (as per Ministry of Home Affairs Report)

Hence, one can conclude that surely the reality that is mostly evaded is the most prominent reality. However, it is also true that for every reality there exist an alternate reality which also needs to be acknowledged if we want to reach to a holistic solution.

Post modernists like Jacques Derrida has talked about the fact that we live in a world of post truth. Everytime there is a new truth and reality that exist. The Jainism philosophy of Anekantavada also talks about multiple realities, which needs to be accepted and not evaded.

Hence, to understand such multiple facets of reality ~~it is~~ and prevent the evasion of each of them, it is important for humans to develop a rational outlook towards life. There needs be better level of self consciousness which can help us to develop the patience to understand multiple realities and prevent their evasions.

Our self consciousness should be driven by our effort to inculcate ethical moral like empathy, compassion, pragmatism and emotional intelligence.

There is a need to delve into ourselves and come out of the cage of rational lies

Humans, in order to understand realities and accepting if them need to have courage. This courage should be driven by the humanity for which we are born. Understanding all realities and trying to lessen the adverse consequence of all realities can ~~it~~ only create an inclusive society. Then only the purpose of every human on earth would be truly fulfilled. Attainment

Gandhiji rightly said:

"The greatness of Humanity lies not in being human but in being humane"

Feedback

Feedback to be provided in terms of (1) Introduction (2) Sentence Constructions (3) Paragraph Formation (4) Legibility (5) Deviation from Topic (6) Coverage of dimensions (7) Simplicity / ease of reading



SECTION - B

1. Science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom.

समाज द्वारा संग्रहण किए गए बुद्धिमत्ता की तुलना में विज्ञान ज्ञान का संग्रहण तीव्र गति से करता है।

2. Energy drives economies and sustains societies.

ऊर्जा अर्थव्यवस्थाओं को संचालित करती है और समाजों को बनाए रखती है।

3. Those who wish to reap the blessings of liberty must undergo the fatigues of supporting it.

जो लोग स्वाधीनता के आशीर्वाद का फल भोगना चाहते हैं, उन्हें इसका समर्थन करने की थकान से गुजरना होगा।

4. Research is formalised curiosity and creation of new knowledge.

अनुसंधान औपचारिक जिज्ञासा और नए ज्ञान का सृजन है।

3) Those who wish to reap the blessings of liberty must undergo the fatigues of supporting it

The recent attack on the great writer Salman Rushdie while delivering his speech in the USA, has literally shocked the world. He was attacked by a radical fundamentalist for the controversy related to his work 'Satanic Verses'. The book was released some thirty years back. Its release was controversial as it was accused by

some groups of hurting their religious sentiments. Despite multiple death threats, Rushdie stood firm by his freedom of expression, a ~~signifacat~~ significant parts of ones liberty. Perhaps, to reap the blessing of his liberty, Salman Rushdie had to undergo the fatigue in form of threat to life, for supporting it.

The above instance depicts how liberty does not come easy to an individual. The blessings of liberty is always accompanied by fatigues of supporting it. To understand the deeper meaning of the sentence, it is first important to understand what liberty and blessings of liberty mean.

Liberty reflects the freedom to develop oneself fully in our society. It implies that we are able to utilise the opportunities available to us freely. John Locke calls liberty

was an inalienable right of every human. It actually makes a human truly human.

Liberty is a virtue as it gives us the scope to speak, express ourselves, oppose, dissent, so on and so forth. Hence, liberty helps us to nurture our inner selves ~~with~~ by developing the spirit of critical inquiry. Liberty is surely

a blessing the depiction of which can be seen at multiple levels, as follows.

As an individual, liberty can exist at two levels and accordingly its blessings can be enjoyed. Inner liberty, is the liberty that exist within us. It implies freeing ourselves from various predisposition, stereotypes and our own fear. Various great personalities like Mahatma Gandhi has talked about its importance. Gandhiji's idea of [Swaraj] within oneself is the best depiction of blessing of liberty at ~~inner~~ inside us.

Further, individual liberty at outer level depicts how an individual can exercise his/her ~~socio~~ civil rights. Nelson Mandela's fight against apartheid was driven by his idea of outer liberty which he wanted or dreamt to exercise in an apartheid free society.

Similarly, at societal level the blessings of liberty has multiple manifestations. The existence of a diverse and plural society like India is one such beautiful example. Blessings of liberty in society is driven by the idea of tolerance, brotherhood, inclusivity and secularism. The various articles of Indian Constitution like Article 25, 26, 29, 30 ~~are~~ provide for liberty in fields like religion, culture, tradition, which strengthen the inclusivity of India as a society. It is nothing but a depiction of blessings of liberty.

further, at National level

liberty and its blessings can be exercised and reaped in form of vibrant democracy. Democracy gives an individual a space for keeping publicly forward his/her views freely. There is scope for constructive criticism, freedom of speech and expression. All these attributes open grounds for debates, deliberation leading to a beautiful manifestation of collective conscience driven by liberty. USA, France, India are some great example of this depiction.

Also, at national level liberty is not restricted to political liberties, but also exist in form like economic liberty. The blessing of economic liberty is depicted in the form of free travel of people from one place to another for education, jobs, etc. It promotes regional balance, provide more economic opportunities to people and hence allow them for exploring

avenues of social & mobility. The migration of Indians from Bihar to Karnataka is one such example.

Similarly, at the global level, blessing of liberty is reaped in the form of increasing globalisation which has made the world a 'global village'. It is manifested in forms like diversification of supply chain (Example: Apple ^{phone} manufacturing involves 43 countries), sharing of consensus on environmental problem through platforms like UNFCCC COP, etc.

Further, global liberty is also depicted on countries collaboration to reduce common threats & affecting people. The recent example global minimum tax proposal by 130 countries to counter issue of base erosion and profit shifting is a depiction of exercising the blessing of liberty only.

The recent case of Covid 19 pandemic which brought almost the whole world to its knees, also witnessed the power of global liberty. This liberty was driven by shared value to help each other in times of crisis. India's vaccine maitri initiative is one such example of global liberty. It allowed countries to help and seek help from each other and thus work in ~~the~~ reducing the impact of pandemic.

Thus, ~~the~~ reaping the blessings of liberty has always been a fruitful experience. This is because liberty as a value is itself liberating. However, this experience or blessing does not come easy and is plagued with various fatigues of supporting it.

One such fatigue is faced by individuals within themselves. This fatigue is driven by the fear, lack of

courage to exercise ones liberty. many women across generation have been trapped within the folds of patriarchy. ~~It~~ It instils in them the fear and reservation to step out and exercise their liberty. The existence of practices like Sati in ancient India is one such depiction.

Other fatigues that one faces at individual level is the fear of death, harm to family, so on and so forth. Amidst these fears, an individual often compromises with their his or her liberty and live their lives in status quism.

Further, at societal level the fatigues which is are widely seen includes hate speeches, mob lynching, targetted attacks, etc. Those who want to exercise liberty have to strongly speak against these persisting challenges and

hence work for saving the plural social fabric of our society. Condemnation of Charlie Hebdo attack and related instances by various supporters of liberty is one such depiction.

At national level, the most prominent fatigue includes the possible repression by state. ~~The~~ State being the all powerful often misuses its authority and curbs peoples democratic rights. The famous case of Edward Snowden who depicts how even in democracies like the USA state repression could occur. However, Snowden overcame this fatigue and stood by protecting the people's right and privacy which was being misused.

Similarly, at global level the fatigue which ^{are} needed to be overcome includes increasing protectionism. The emerging protectionist ideas of Trade

war/sanctions, slogans like America first, closing border for refugees are some of the fatigues seen. In recent time Vaccine Nationalism seen during Covid 19 pandemic also shows how the liberty of an individual health is so much connected in a globalised world and depicts depends on other countries.

Hence, one who wants to reap the blessings of liberty has to undergo multiple fatigues. The digitised contemporary world ~~has~~ is plagued with issues like political polarisation, yellow journalism, human right violation like Uighur Genocide, which constantly put a question of how to protect liberty. In such scenario often the need is for a multistakeholder approach to save liberty and continue

its blessings

In the process of protect-
liberty or exercise it, first and foremost
thing that is needed is ones courage.
One needs courage to stand for right,
truth and liberty. It is rightly said.

It takes courage to answer
a call

It takes courage to give
you all

It takes courage to risk
your name

It takes courage to be

True!

Hence, courage at individual level
is the most important attribute required
for liberty driven by truth.

Further, there is a
requirement of & realising the spirit
of Constitutional morality. Constitution
can act as the basis to protect
peoples liberty and hence stand

for their rights

Further, the collaboration of institution is needed. In this scenario, the role of Judiciary in upholding people's liberty and ~~to uphold~~ the justice for the people becomes extremely important.

Finally, the role of NGOs / Civil Society is needed to bring in transparency and accountability in the process of practicing ones liberty. They help in making the liberty more diverse.

Also, a realisation of every human that His or Her Liberty should not restrict the liberty of others is equally important. Then only a cooperative and inclusive society driven by tolerance can

be created

At the end, the need is to equally protect the sanctity of the 'social contract' between citizens and state which Rousseau talked about. Then only in true sense the blessings of liberty at all level can be fruitfully reaped!

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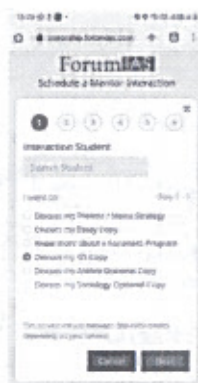
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Evade reality but cannot evade consequence of evading reality

