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- Q.1** If you look into someone's face long enough, eventually you feel that you are looking into yourself.
यदि आप किसी के चेहरे को काफी देर तक देखते हैं, तो अंततः आपको महसूस होता है कि आप अपने भीतर ही देख रहे हैं।
- Q.2** We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light.
हम उस बच्चे को आसानी से क्षमा कर सकते हैं जो अंधेरे से डरता है; जीवन की वास्तविक त्रासदी तब होती है जब लोग रोशनी से डरते हैं।
- Q.3** It is the province of knowledge to speak and it is the privilege of wisdom to listen.
बोलना ज्ञान का क्षेत्र है और श्रवण करना बुद्धि का विशेषाधिकार है।
- Q.4** Drop the question what tomorrow may bring, and count as profit every day that fate allows you.
यह प्रश्न छोड़ दें कि कल क्या हो सकता है, और हर उस दिन को लाभ के रूप में गिनें जो भाग्य आपको अनुमति देता है।

Drop the question what tomorrow may bring, and
count as profit everyday that fate allows you.

"Kaal Kale so aaj kaal, Aaj Kale so ab
Pal mei palay hoyegi, Bahar karega kab"

- this doha from 'Kabir Granthawali'
by shree Kabirdas ji aptly captures the essence
of the topic. It literally means, 'the work which
has to be done ~~go~~ do today; the work to be
done today - do now; it can take only a

fraction of second to mishappenings occur, they when you will do the work."

this quote / doha resonates with the given topic which means that every person should utilise the present moment to the best of his ability and should consider it as a grau / profit. He should not wait for something to happen tomorrow - whether a miracle or nightmare".

this statement is rooted in the philosophy of Action over the thoughts.

As Shri Krishna in Bhagvat Geeta talks about Nishkama Karma - Action without anticipation of fruits. the person has to fulfill his duties today with utmost sincerity and complete ability. He do not need to think about

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tomorrow or even next second. He has to fulfill his duty today.

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As all the excellence of human is rooted in his own hands and the results are most fruitful when the work is done in real time.

Now the question arise why there is need to work today only? What profits today will bring? What losses it may bring if person think about tomorrow; not today? and whether, man does

not need to think about tomorrow at all?

We will try to find these answers in this essay.

There is saying 'the ^{next} best time to sow a tree is today; the best time to sow a tree was 20 years ago', this quote sums up the need of the today's work. the human with its infinite intelligence and wisdom knows the best action for itself. henceforth the practice

of delaying the action to correct the course get postponed to tomorrow either due to compulsion while mostly due to procrastinations. However, It is the present movement in which is needed the action/ push of a human.

If we dwell into Mahabharata times, the whole assembly saw the cheerharan (drapac-removal) of Bravepadi, but not a single warrior spoke, the no action taken that was equivalent to immoral action that day. so now what a moral action on that would do that, what profits it would have earned?

The mere action of not providing the legitimacy of Actions of evils by good men like Drona, Bhishma Pitamah would not have brought down humanity and could not lead to great war of Mahabharat. similarly, nations also shape their destiny by acting in the present times

without waiting for tomorrow to come. the actions of ISRO in space today are writing the destiny of tomorrow, they are not waiting for tomorrow when some ~~the~~ miracle will bring sophisticated technology to their door.

even in other fields like society, Economy, legal fields, environmental realms, there are the today's actions which have brought the profit. sitting for tomorrow has only led to failure and lesser.

During freedom Independence movement, the extremist part of congress did not wait for British to give concessions tomorrow but fought and sacrificed on each present day. What did they get in profit - the sweet hard earn Independence.

in legal realm, powered by the transformative constitution of India, supreme court of India did not wait for the societal morality to evolve

tomorrow regarding Rights of LGBTQA+, it was the present actions of SC which has led to rainbow revolution. However, it is true that we may have challenges, lack of capacity to take action today or they might turn into failure/ losses taken today.

for example, Thomas Alva Edison worked in present but failed to develop Bulb many times leading to failure but as President Kalon said failure is first opportunity in learning. these kind of challenges push us to work beyond our capacity and provide opportunity to find out our own hidden capabilities. As PM Modi said during "Aapka mei Aursar" (opportunity in challenges/ disaster). This Action rooted in today's world, is also evident in the 1991 Reforms of globalisation, privatisation and liberalisation which changed India from a foreign reserve

deficit country to \$ 600 Bn reserve country. the reduced poverty, more inclusive development.

In the same manner, when the ladies of Gashwal Himalaya, came to save native trees during 'chipko Andolan', they did not wait for tomorrow; they acted today and snatched their rights.

these actions are not isolated in the history, economy or society but in every aspect of humanity. the men's 'Yogah: Kaamashu Kamsalam' or 'work is worship' has been the cornerstone of the development of humanity.

When world saw the disasters of Blue bonic plague, spanish flu and others, the actions of people like Jones Salk, ~~Stephen~~ F. made a lot of difference. The today's work of man is opening the frontiers of tomorrow in the space. the resource explorations, space tourism once a sci-fi movie domain has turned into reality.

Now the question if men is not thinking about tomorrow, acting today, Is it absolutely right? or how should the work, how much should the work and should the tomorrow be considered or not?

The actions of people rooted completely in today have led to the issues like climate change, inequality between the fellow humans. the global common resources are in danger due to today's thinking only.

Moreover, the excessive work today is leading to unbalanced work-life balance ~~and~~ generating issues between married couples, the health issues like cardio-vascular and Non-

communicable diseases. hence it is needed that all work is not needed to be done today itself. We have to plan work and act daily, continuously and consistently. All of these inter-personal relationships, health and mental-well being is also to be taken

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case of simultaneously. As Swami Vivekananda said, "Healthy mind lives in healthy Body."

if we do not think about tomorrow or want to do work excessively, it will negatively affect our capacity and capability to work diligently and effectively.

Now Question, whether every work has to be done today, should we not wait for tomorrow? It is also not true. For instance, of an farmer sows the crop today without waiting for the right time or season, he will face irreversible losses. Similarly any military action needs right time & strategy to effectively achieve its objectives. An space object has optimum time for its economical and most efficient ~~time~~ launch.

There are numerous examples where the intention to start work today without

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waiting for the right opportunity has led to failure. It lead to losses than profits. The forceful sterilization to reduce ~~poverty~~ population without taking into consideration the readiness of the people completely backfired and led to the Baby-boomer phase in India. Similarly pre mature - industrialisation has led to issues of jobless growth and rising income & wealth inequality. hence it is not just today, which is required to attain goals.

Despite so many examples & instances, one thing is to be concluded. Whether action to be taken today or tomorrow, now or later, it's strategy and backend preparation has to be done since it's inception in the mind.

The dreams come not true in a day, world does not change into instances, that's it the incremental, proactive and

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hard work which leads to success.

As Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam said

* Success does not come to those who see dreams with closed eyes, It comes to those who see it with open eyes."

Today's Action → Tomorrow's Profit

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- Q.5 Truth, like a torch, the more it is shook, it shines.
सत्य, मशाल की तरह है, इसे जितना अधिक हिलाया जाता है, यह उतना ही चमकता है।
- Q.6 Art is I; science is We.
कला मैं है; विज्ञान हम है।
- Q.7 Only the dead have seen the end of the war.
केवल मृतकों ने ही युद्ध का अंत देखा है।
- Q.8 Act as if it were impossible to fail.
कार्य ऐसे करें जैसे कि विफल होना असंभव ही था।

Only the dead have seen the end of war

Two millenia ago, a dreadly war happened between the Mighty Magadh Empire and Kingdom of Kalinga in present day Odisha. The war for territorial contest and respect for it's emperor Ashoka took the lives of hundreds of thousands of people, lots of soldiers got injured, innumerable children became orphan, ladies become widow, the state of Kalinga surrendered before it's king Ashoka. The war has ended, as declared.

The King Ashoka won the war however a new wave of guilt and remorse was already started within him. The other people of the Kalinga Kingdom were economically broken due to war, they were not fighting against poverty for basic survival. The orphaned children and widow ladies were fighting the war of thought of not being able to see their father & beloved husband for the last time.

For almost everybody war had ended but it's only political form ended, the ruthlessness of physical violence ended; not the war. Every body alone had some kind of war which he was fighting - be it of guilt, remorse or thought of losing loved ones.

It was only dead for whom war had ended in its entirety. They were not able

to see the war neither alive to experience emotions of guilt or love or loneliness. This statement that only the dead have seen the end of war is still relevant of today.

the war is in individual, society and national realms and also on international level are always in motion.

If we look into individual realm, human is always against war at all times. It is fight for securing survival by earning livelihood, the fight over means to earn their livelihood. This manifests into the competition (war) with other fellow humans to earn the resources for survival. During all this, a war in mind towards the methods, values and objective of life is constantly going on, the people are constantly searching for the meaning in the life? Whether meaningful life is hedonistic or of virtues, whether

it is materialistic or spiritual, goals are always in contestation with another. Humans have lots of desires which induces the war in one mind. the desires ultimately leading to suffering as Buddha said. hence there is always a war going on in the life of a alive person.

this also reflects in the society also, the unequal distribution of resources and opportunities, historical injustices have divided the society into groups. the groups have common identity wage war against each other for control of material resources, political and economic power at the cost of another. their aim is not the balanced distribution and mutual co-existence of other groups but all groups want to enhance their own good. the movements for caste reservation, are one such example of that; in affluent classes

like Patidars and Jats.

Similarly, At the national level, We see that there is divide upon the ~~region~~ basis of language, ethnicity, religion, region, economic prosperity and backwardness.. the interest of all these cohorts leads to competition on the national level. the demands for linguistic states like Punjab, Gorakhpur; and other states on the basis of other developmental factors is example of that- like Vidarbha, Bundelkhand. There are wars on the basis of ethnicity, religious conflicts like riots in Delhi (2020) and Nuh (2022), regional conflicts (demand for higher share in 15th finance commission devolution, the secessionist movements) ~~and~~ All of these are due to feeling of relative deprivation among the sections.

All of these factors in different form operate in international level also. the wars for the territory like Russia - Ukraine war

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is prominent example of this. In last one century, world has seen two world wars.

During Treaty of Versailles, general people end the formal end of the war, but certain people also saw the roots of new world war. As "War is absence of peace" and simmering tension

between the Allied and Axis powers kept the flame alive for world-war 2. Here too all who died saw the end of war, the alive saw the war turning into excessive exploitation of Germany and endangered world peace.

Today world is going under the economic wars like currency wars, friendshoring and protectionism. The issues of climate change is leading to friction between the developed and developing countries. The psychological and philosophical wars of capitalism v/s communism and environmental concerns of Eco-centrism v/s

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Anthropo-centrism is always ensued,

the most difficult prospect is that, the victims of these wars are not the all people in same manner and intensity. There are vulnerable people who are most affected. The women leaving work for care, less opportunity to girls, violence against women (Ex. Manipur incident), effect of climate change on women and small island countries.

Now, as we have talked about these wars. So now we can ponder upon whether calling it war is ~~correct~~ correct? or words like conflict or tensions or competition will suffice? When we think about that, ^{we find} these ^{challenges} manifest in different intensities for different stake ~~holders~~ holders; for some it is war, for some - manageable conflict, the people who think it as a war tends to do suicide as they think only dead can escape a war.

So, the question can a alive man can not

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experience the end of war. We will find this answer in negative. There are a lot of philosopher, poets are there who find the end of war.

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Buddha talks about the end of Desire, the attainment of Nirvana as the end of war, other philosophers and poets in their imaginary and their creative world see the end of war. even the common man see the peace in the world and his own personal life during the dreams in nights. Innocent children away from the complexity of the world do not encounter wars until they grow older, then we can say that it is not only the dead who see the ^{end} of war in their dreams or imagination, or through Nirvana.

Now end of war if can be imagined then can also we achieved. so what is needed to end the war for all the people, not

just the dead. We need to find out the underlying factors of war. If we see deeper; the anti-thesis of war is peace but it is not only the end of war.

Peace is the feeling of equanimity and contentment on personal level between the people. being a very broader concept, peace requires the end of deprivations and discriminations prevalent in the society. the equitable society with justice of political, social and economic sense will ensure the peace along with end of war. hence the individuals, leaders and nations need to end their discrimination and ensure justice in true sense to all people so as to bring end of war, these injustices manifesting into racial violence, religious and ethnic hatred need to be countered with equal opportunity to all and justice in substantive

sense. equal justice to vulnerable like women, old age people, transgenders and disabled who fight tougher wall than other people, need to be prioritised.

The world need to follow the principle of Humanism and Universal Brotherhood to provide equal care to all. As Mahatma Gandhi says 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbam' - world is one family, It is duty of family members to take care of each other so that justice prevails and they do not have to feel guilt and Remorse like Ashoka but peace & state of happiness everywhere.

As Martin Luther King said - "Justice anywhere is threat to justice everywhere."

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be prudent not pessimistic

May be poss

different meaning
of tomorrow

Bad
Good

Improvement day by day

disasters
necessary to divide
of tomorrow also
LSRU action role
in today

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Drop the question what tomorrow may bring and count as profit
every day that fate allows you.

every act
second
minute

Best decision in today times

Individual
Ethical

- S - Social → bring change, small change
- P - Political → unity or decentralisation
- E - Economical → skills → prudent income, global financial crisis
- C - Ecology → think of future also
- L - ~~Cultural~~
- H - legal → laws like Olga Tellis + Privacy Rights
- Historical Gandhi → today what will happen tomorrow

may be
negative
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Children buying fathers, not fathers
buying sons.

morally led

Utopia →

No -

philosophies, dreams

Billet Band

Space for Rough Work

Manipur - women

vulnerable section

only the dead have seen the end of War
experienced

↳ History - Ashoka

↳ World War

War of Independence ↳ 1857 war

~~economic wave~~ - currency war, capitalism vs Communism

~~War against climate change~~

~~War against state excesses - emergency~~

War against - our own desires, Buddha - suffering

→ Individual → society → country.

how to end

↳ humanism, rational

ethics

We need Absence of War but peace.