

खण्ड-A / Section-A

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- Q.1 Little strokes fell great oaks.
छोटे - छोटे प्रयासों से बड़ी सफलता मिलती है।
- Q.2 Judge a man by his questions rather than his answers.
किसी व्यक्ति का मूल्यांकन उसके उत्तरों के स्थान पर उसके प्रश्नों से करें।
- Q.3 Great principles, great ideals know no nationality.
महान सिद्धांत, महान आदर्श किसी एक राष्ट्र से संबंधित नहीं है।
- Q.4 In struggling with misfortune lies the true proof of virtue.
दुर्भाग्य से संघर्ष करने में ही नैतिकता का सच्चा प्रमाण निहित है।

One has to dive into the thought
Bubble of past to imagine the reality
of Ramayana. A king who had to
face struggles of life and when he did
so not only he perused his virtues
but also established "Dharma" in the
society.

It was a misfortune that days before
he was to be king he had to leave
his house and wander for 14 years. In
those 14 years he faced every possible
adversity
of life.

But every step of that struggle proved his virtues. First on command of his father he left home proving his love for his father, he proved his loyalty to his wife (Sita), he proved his friendship to "Sugreeva" and his commitment to fulfil his duty.

This shows how every step of Lord Ram's life was filled with misfortunes leading to struggles but also proved to be test of his virtues.

Just like 'Purnashottam' Ram, we all face misfortunes in our life but they are really a test of our virtues.

To understand this more thorough we must understand how everyone faces misfortunes and they are part of our lives? How we must trust with our destiny with all the struggles in it? and finally

that struggle is to virtuous or righteous, not for success, as rightly pointed out by Bhagwat Gita.

Misfortunes : Part of everyone's life

Every person faces challenges, but only difference in the stories we hear are the one's who were able to stand the test of time.

Sometimes if our social location which impacts our lives. Like the story our father of constitution 'Dr B.R. Ambedkar' born in a low caste family. He defied the odds to become one of the prominent figures of our freedom struggle.

whereas at other time financial poverty seems as misfortune in our lives. One can look at A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, who was from poor rural family and went on to

become the President of India.

One of recent stories of such misfortunes was of Mr. Maunseidam of McKendall's National Hockey Team who lost his arm due to cancer. But he never gave up.

Therefore it's about your attitude while facing challenges that determines how proceed in life. One of the best examples of this was Kane Williamson. After his loss in World Cup Final he said, "rules are always there, sometimes they are against. Surely it hurts, but there is nothing one do about it".

He didn't blame anyone for his loss, and such attitude helped him to win the 2021 Test Championship.

Thus shows his fight with misfortunes which came his way.

One's Trust over Destiny

As Abraham Twerski has said in his book "The Sun will shine again", one is not always going to make the right choice in life but they have to be virtuous. Virtues help one to hold his integrity in life.

He mentioned when a man is walking through dark tunnel, he must have belief and such belief came from Right Virtues.

One can look at our National Struggle for Independence, that so many of our freedom fighters realised their virtues through struggles.

It was a misfortune that a young lawyer was thrown out from a First Class coach from a Train in South-Africa.

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But this misfortune help him become the Mahatma as we know him. Mahatma Gandhi himself said that if his 'struggle with truth' which helped him, what he was.

The divisions in our society help ~~not~~ Sardar Patel become the founder of civil service after Independence and Integrity of India.

Even Shahid-e-azam, Bhagat Singh developed his rebellious virtue by the heroic event of Jallianwala Bagh.

Coming to the recent times, we have seen our captain cool M.S. Dhoni known for temperament on the field. The struggles that they had to face throughout his life gave him virtue of temperance.

The branch of Ethics, called Virtue Ethics deals with virtues and how a man

is not born with virtues but he developed through various incidents. In philosophy, the classic example of development of virtues through struggle is of Victor Frankl, in his 'Man's Search For Meaning'.

He developed his virtues in concentration camp. After initial struggle he found his meaning of life and he even refused to escape as he has to preserve his virtue.

These great examples are few of many one can find spread throughout the course of history.

The idea that "Development of self" can only come from accidents of life was given by Victor Frankl, because that is not only development of virtues but their realization in real life is also comes from misfortunes of life.

But does struggle makes a make virtuous altogether.

~~Virtues are~~

Struggle and Quality

One of the ~~class~~ classical dialogue in movies is that "Thief is made by his circumstances".

Struggle and misfortune have created heroes and heroes of inspiration on one hand but have also created Dictators, Maniacs and murderers.

One of the best examples of this one of greatest villains of 20th century Adolf Hitler who in his biography has explained about his struggle in life and for identity. The impact of World War I and Treaty of Versailles left on him.

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That lead him to slaughter more than 5mn Jews.

lets move to Russia to learn about misfortune of Nicolas' I Regime which was barbarous. But unfortunately that didn't create mercy in Bolshevik (revolutionaries) who slaughtered the king's family, including the children.

All these incidents show that struggle can come to the extent that it can question the humanity of some.

Therefore misfortune just reveal the "best for you". Here best just doesn't mean "Righteous" but whatever is best for an individual, instead of revealing "best of you".

So how can one find or discover his virtues.

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Finding Virtues through Misfortunes

This can be learned from one of famous quotes of James Baldwin (who was once Israel-Baldwin area), "You can't say that the situation wasn't right or that it was not conducive for you to do so; your soul is always in your keeping"

we started this discussion from Ramayana, lets move on to another ancient scripture of Maharashtra

Therefore misfortune brings out whatever is within a person good or bad. One can't point at misfortunes to justify his actions.

But the righteous men always find

their virtues through their misfortunes.

We started this discussion from Ramayana.

Let's move on to another ancient scripture

Mahabharata. The misfortune which resulted

in one of the greatest tragedies of humans. But

as Lord Sri Krishna said that it helped establish

Dharma in society. It helped many found

their virtues in this war and thus to realise

the mistakes.

To summarize in few lines the theme of

"Finding Virtues through Misfortunes" we

can refer to these lines by our

National poet, Ramdhari Singh Binkari:-

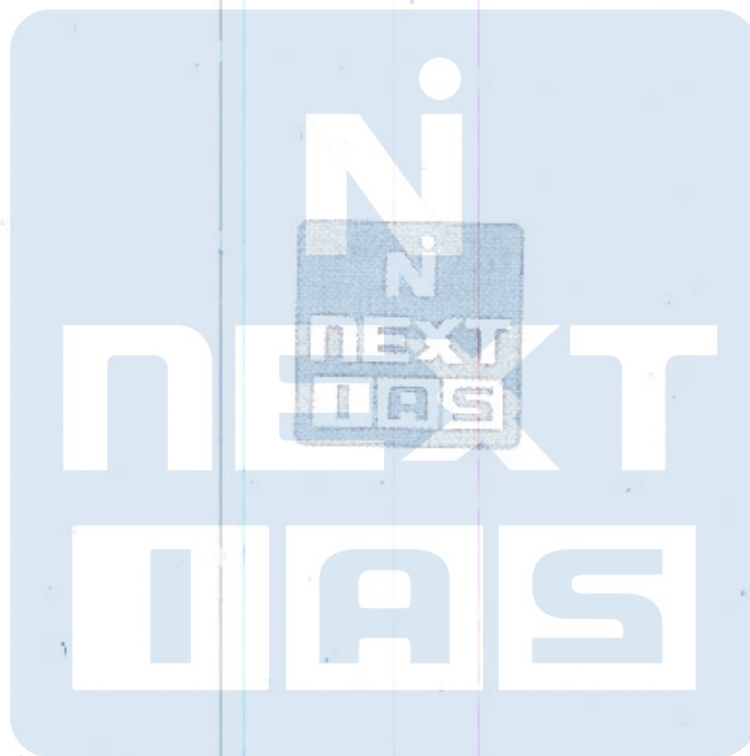
"
Bhag Dhorf Gham, Pani Barhar
Pandav aaye fudh ae niphari
Sambhagya na vas aen soke h
Dekh aate fudh hote h"

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Translation : After struggling for years through
struggle, Pandnas became more virtuous,
Destiny doesn't always sleep,
like we what happens ahead

- Dinkar

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Q.5 The whole purpose of Education is to turn mirrors into windows.
शिक्षा का सम्पूर्ण उद्देश्य दर्पण को खिड़कियों में बदलना है।

Q.6 To dwell is to garden.
निवास करना बगीचे के सामान है।

Q.7 Reality is the shadow of ideas.
सच्चाई विचारों की छाया मात्र है।

Q.8 We can not despair of humanity, since we ourselves are human beings.
हम मानवता से निराश नहीं हो सकते, क्योंकि हम स्वयं भी मनुष्य हैं।

"Humanity is Overrated", says Dr. House
in a T.V. series called "House MD" and his
friend Dr. Wilson replies, "well perhaps
it is, but still it is our best bet".

This incident gives us the picture
of what sort of feel when we hear
any news which raises questions on
humanity itself. Latest example of
one such event was a woman shipped
and persuaded by so called perfection of
one community. Is Humanity came to
this low that we seek to weaponize

the same deity who gave us birth.
In case of terrorism we see similar
actions instead of a women, it is
our husband.

All these events raises questions
on our mind that what humanity even
means? why a lot of us are
losing faith in it? Is there any ray
of hope for us? and finally what
we can do in this situation?

meaning of Humanity

One of the best ways to understand
this is through the concepts of
Humans, Human Beings and Being Human,
which found its roots in psychoanalysis
studies.

Humans here means "Homo-Sapiens" who are just a type of mammal, they live and fulfill their biological needs.

while Human Beings become those people who have cognitive understand. They know their "role" and role of "significant others".

At last comes the concept of Being Human, which means not just cognitive a person can also understand what is right action to do. Person not only think about his emotional needs but needs of all the being. [like idea of 'Sundays' by Gandhi].

This journey of moving from just mere living creatures as "Humans" to "Human Beings" and finally to "Being Human" so what is the idea of Being Human and how it can be achieved.

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It a complex process and one which includes
"development of self".

But it seems that most of
us has failed in the attempt to
even get to the minimal of what
constitutes "human".

Dispair of Humanity

will lets talk about few disporian
~~models~~ and how such ~~dis~~ dispor have
come to life.

Margret Atwood's novel "the Handmaid's
Tale" describes "Republic of Gilead",
where women are reduced to "Two legged
seals" just for giving birth. women
are removed from all sphere of public life.
Margret Atwood's great ~~to~~ masterpiece has
a unique feature that every incident

was picked from historical past. Not much she was aware that modern "Taliban Regime" is going to create a similar society where women can't educate, can't go to part and can't be representative.

Such incidents are not restricted to women, caste based violence like the incident of ~~Indrapur~~ Rajpethan's school where a young boy was beaten to death by teacher on drinking water from upper class pot.

In ethnic violence of (Mamru), we are witnessing death, displacement and distress come to life altogether.

Power has become new food for humans. Recent coups in Niger, Chad and Burkina Faso explain this. Recent

ongoing war Ukraine - Russia almost threatening to cause global hunger due to shortage of grains.

Terrorism has gripped countries into war and misery. So many of these failing to realise the most killed in such incidents are their own people.

Rising inequality in the world is alarming. Just in last top 1% holds the wealth of around 40% of total.

The global warning concerns which Antonio Guterres has said turned to "global boiling" now, show a similar to Ray Bradbury's book "451 Fahrenheit", where the world become bleak and reduced to its bare minimalist by greed and needs of humanity.

So does it mean that humanity deserve our despair? Does it mean that we have no hope movement ahead?

Ray of Hope

Abraham Tsumfi in his book "The Sun will shine again", talks about how there is never a true despair because to counter of we have "hope", the most human part of us.

The great thing about hope is in the darkness even a single light can prove to be guiding path for us. And now and even in the past we have seen that small lives have changed our world.

If we have fertilizer, we also have Pipalantari model of Ecofeminism. We have examples of Indira Gandhi, Jaiinda Acheen and Kamala Harris who have been "Iron Ladies" for their country.

If we have war and destruction, we also have Mahatma Gandhi and Nelson Mandela who have shown humanity even in struggle at resistance.

If terrorism is grappling the world, there are always voices like Mataji, who shared Nobel Prize with another champion of humanity Kabir Sanyal, who sacrificed his life to most innocence for of humanity, we cherish.

If we have inequality we have Gandhi's model of tenetship and landdays we have unfair governments, corporate social responsibilities and charity, which saved so many lives during COVID-19.

If we Religious Fundamentalism, we also see Gandhara's provide medical facilities,

we see religious trusts like DAV providing educations and mosque in delli converted into covid-care centre.

If there are ethnic uttreme, there are always ideas as of Rabindranath Tagore, who put humanism over any other identity of a person.

So there are always good people who stand against evil forces. But it is not about goodness of few of us but all of us which is required.

Therefore it is important to understand role of each of us in the path of discussing humanity.

Our Role of Being Human

→ The answer to this lies in our micro-actions

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life how conduct ourselves, how we
trust others, how we respect others, etc.

And all this can be learned through
ethical and moral education. we must
learn from the many who has showed
us the path and realise our own potential.

Therefore moral education should be
taught to everyone. Principles of Universal
Brotherhood and 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbam' (world
is one family) should be promoted.

we have to learn to live in
harmony with the rest of the world.

As Bertrand Russell in his 'message to future'

has said the in the world which has
become more interconnected we should
learn to respect that we might not like
what other people say or believe but
we must respect each other to

"live together and not die together"

Is coming back ~~can~~ is humanity
emulated? Can we despair humanity.

The answer is maybe it is emulated
but its power has changed the before
and has the potential to change the
world again, it is our only hope
to bring a better and peaceful
world.

we can use Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's
Message to bring peace through most
human aspect of virtues.

4 when there is virtue in character
There is harmony in home,
when there is harmony in home
There is order in the nation,
when there is order in the nation
There is peace in the world"

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