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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।

WE CAN EASILY FORGIVE A CHILD WHO IS AFRAID OF THE DARK THE REAL TRAGEDY OF LIFE IS WHEN MEN ARE AFRAID OF LIGHT

The 21st century has brought the world to the cross-roads, it has created the unique bipolarity. On one hand we have the super-rich super-power nations on the other hand we have those countries which share for basic human development. The fears of small nations regarding opening their economy to their past colonies, the fears of aligning with the nations which have fought brutal proxy wars at the cost of others, can be justified. However, the

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the silence of "so-called" liberal democracies and torch bearers of the human rights aren't justifiable when the world cries for peace. The mute spectatorship of the economic super-power for the reform of the organisations to help the poor, but amplified voice for their own concerns isn't short of any tragedy.

Thus, the silence of "men" in grown up country is real tragedy but the fear of infantile nations are forgivable with caution.

In this essay we shall see what is difference between the child and grown ups. what makes the child forgivable, and also why the grown ups is real tragedy. tears to light

CHILD AND THE GHOST IN DARKNESS

One can forgive the child if he is afraid of dark because the children have invaluable innocense to believe that something dangerous exist in the dark. It is the lack of knowledge of

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the child that translates to fear. Same was the case during 1950s, many nations got independence for colonisers. The new born nations were first to open their eyes in the dastness of the polas world. They were ignorant of the motive behind the lure of economic aid. Thus, they were afraid to make any large moves, but to join non-alignment movement.

And also, it is also the awareness of the child that if can't fight the ghost in the dast, and the dependency of the child on parents for protection amplify the fear. This can be forgivable because the strength & virtue that grows with time and experience. And it is the time for the child to learn through experimentation & realisation. Thus, the fear of dast can be forgived for greater good in the future.

In the similar manner, the fear of the child about dast is often utilised by the right hands of parents to mould the character. It has been the tool of social control and enculturation of humanity

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And many believe that this "childish fear" led to the birth of "religion" that has been guiding the direction of evolution for universal welfare.

However, the real tragedy of life arises when the men are afraid of light.

SUNLIGHT IS THE BEST DISINFECTANT.

In the course of life child becomes adult with innumerable social learnings and learnings. The experiences of life are expected to teach the greatest lessons for the person than any school. Hence, the general expectations are that the adults are knowledgeable and be the source of light for new generation. However, there are some tragedies where the adults themselves are afraid of light. The light that shows the reality, the light that shows the right path and the light that creates the social bondings are not welcomed by all equally.

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One such instance happened in the state of Tamilnadu. The infantile state had the dastners of illiteracy, casteism, social division etc. However, the state saw good enough movements under periyar, Narayana guru etc., the education too ushered in the state post-independence. However, the light of humanity couldn't reach the hearts of newly grown ups of the educated state. this resulted in the "keezhvenmani massacre" that led to death of hundreds of dalits. The real tragedy is if education couldn't create the light of equality, what else can?

On the other hand, the men can also be afraid of light because it may show the reality. The fear of truth is the real danger that any society can expect. If the fear is in the heart of knowledgeable men, then the results can be much more traumatic: Recently, law commission released a report on the judiciary, which is hailed as keeper of constitution and protector of human rights.

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It highlighted that the lack of transparency in the judicial appointment has led to rampant nepotism which is called as "Uncle judge" syndrome. This can be huge dent on the working of the longest democracy.

And it is also notable that the men are afraid of light because they are afraid of change. When the winds of change blow, men are expected to build wind mills, but unfortunately they build sophisticated walls. For instance, the light of changed world order has been hindered by the darkness of historic mammoths. The light of universal welfare is afraid to the neo-colonial countries. The techno-superior China is capitalising on the smaller nations through debt traps. Around 45 small nations are deprived of the awareness of light because of chinese curtains.

This also furthers the argument that the men who have benefitted from the ambiguity and fear of the dark

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are afraid of light. The Destroyer hasn't been dark for all equally, Ask the mother nature! thick clouds of carbon di oxide have been fuelling the engines of growth. the destruction of environment had been the building blocks of the economies. But now, the men are afraid of light! The light can cure the pollution, that can conserve the biodiversity, the light that can make the life not just liveable but also liveable with security and dignity. The men who have acquired the economy, technology and power are afraid of the new light that obstructs their growth. But at the cost of humanity!

These observations also show that these can also be a reason of lack of courage to fight the light that is keeping the men at silence. In India's case, we have believed in welfarist nation that wipes the tears from all the eyes and empowers the vulnerable to build the great nation. But the men are afraid to face the light of electoral reforms. the darkness of criminalisation of

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party with 42%. parliamentarians having criminal background is teased to tempered with. The "men" are afraid of criminals, afraid of losing elections and thereby power. This is real tragedy because this has led to poor participation of people with "intention" and "will" to vote. The the south is the electoral democracy. The world's largest democracy is now also tagged as "flawed democracy."

Hence, it is established that the darkness has to be replaced with light. And the "men" or knowledgeable people have great role to play. However, there are certain cautions need to be taken.

THE CORRECT LAMP : WITH CORRECT INTENSITY.

The light should be accepted and thrown upon in a diligent and responsible manner. The acceptance of organic farming is a good practice for nature and people. But the

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crisis of Sri Lanka shows that the light to be accepted in a rational manner.

The men who are afraid of light should embrace the light, but it is also equally important that what they do with the light. The French revolution though had the light of liberty, equality and fraternity; they finally landed in the hands of Jacobians who used guillotine methods to control the opposition.

Hence, the right way to go ahead with the light is to enquire that the child is afraid of dark for right reasons. The darkness should be curtailed with the light of knowledge and virtues. The 'tamas' of inaction should be driven by the "jyoti" of social action.

And Supreme court in the Swapnil Tripathi showed the right path

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to the acceptance of light: i.e. through transparency and accountability. The informed citizenry ensure the good democracy. A good democracy is established only when the the leaders who are elected are elected because of their hopes motives of development than their ascriptions & affiliations.

Also, Socrates observes that it is the humility to accept the mistakes, own the outcomes and correct themselves for the future creates a society of prosperity. The light is always existant, it is the duty of the knowledgeable people to recognise, embrace and amplify the light.

John Rawls in his theory of justice observes that the inequality is justified, it is justified only when the people who hold the excess provide for the poor. Thus, it is the moral duty and profound responsibility

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that men be the "trustees" of the social light rather than being afraid of it.

Hence, it can be concluded that a child can't be child always. It grows. But the grown ups can't be childish in their motives. They should realise the ~~(realise the)~~ meaning of social existance and social contract that fights the distress that creates fear in children and also make them embrace the light.

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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 THE WAR

Edmund Leach famously says that humans are innately criminals and in constant fight with each other. The wars aren't new, neither the death. The wars have time and again changed their mode and method just to increase the violence and the number of deaths. The wars have transformed from stones to spears, spears to bombs, and now they have taken the modern route of cyberspace. In these transitions there were many wars that took lives, the last lives taught the lessons to future which might have stopped the wars. But did it bring eternal peace?

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In this essay we shall observe the natures of death, how only the dead have seen the end of the war and further see what those who survived do.

The EYES OF DEAD PEOPLE

The death refers to a natural phenomenon that can be applied to any aspect of the nature. Everything that has born has to enter the stage of maturity, degradation and finally to death. Death is the final state of inactivity and social unavailability.

However, death isn't more a physical death. The death also includes the death, the voice of conscience not able to realise the welfare society causing humanity death, and the social death where the person isn't part of the social functions and social dynamics.

Though death is natural. The death by violence and wars are unnatural for the

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- most intelligent" creatures of the earth i.e. Humans. Humans are expected to cherish and breed the social solidarity and harmony to ensure the social contract. However, the wars have become so inevitable that only the dead have seen the end of the wars.

One of the primary reasons why only dead have seen the end of wars is, war is an event in the long chain of hatred. the bad events of the past furthers the enmity than learning to establish the peace. for instance, the north eastern India which comprises of more than 475 ethnic groups are in constant and sporadic clashes drawing vengence from the past clashes.

Hence, the war continues till the hatred continues. Though love is what makes an ape a human, sometimes the irrationality covers the eyes of the people. so much so that it may require the end or death of themselves & the leades who has started it. for example, the death of Hitler is said to be a major breakthrough in second world

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war. the dead leader showed the end of the war!

On the other hand, those have seen the end of the war can also be termed dead. they were morally dead to stop the war at the earliest. they were ethically dead to be mute spectators to the war and it is the silence of the knowledgeable "dead" people that has accentuated the war. It can no less be termed a war on humanity to cause the death of a woman for ill-fated death of husband, also it is war of on conscience to treat the humans as slaves. Isn't it the "dead people's" silence that continued war till its death?

And, it is also the dead have seen the end of the war because the death symbolises weakness. It is the inability of the other party to strike back might have caused the end of the war. the war of economics, the huge companies making inroads with deep discounts and illicit tactics may cause the clash in the beginning. If smaller companies aren't protected

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the war ends with the death of the smallest enterprises.

It is also noteworthy that the final words of the dead can be the motivation to end the war, atleast for the moment. The earth has seen rampant massacre of nature by humans. This has caused the death of more than 70% species in the span of 100 years. This has invoked the inner voice of the people to conserve the nature and sign a peace treaty with the environment. The dead species thus ensured the Aichi biodiversity targets, Kunming framework etc.. But next time if it is the true end!

And it is not the end, but also the beginning is seen and pushed by the dead. the (dead) morally dead selfish people who aim to achieve their goals at the cost of lives of other people are the roots, trunk and branches of the war. the death of the tree is the end of the war.

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Similarly, the end has never been a full stop of the war. It has been a mere pause. However, the battle has definitely been the end of the person who has fought and martyred in the war. He gains the "peace" or the "end" just for himself even if the war continues.

The major answer for why the war continues forever so much so that only the dead have seen is because of "Human greed." The greed of the people who monetise the emotions to gain the power, popularity and prosperity. In modern world, it is fake news and hate speeches especially in socially social media that carry forward the vengence forever, for the benefit of few.

And in the other perspective, the people who are mentally exhausted and retrieve themselves from the war save themselves from the war and thus survive to see its end. But they are dead from

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the war's perspective. However, it can't be blanket cover to say only the dead have seen the end of the war.

WAR AND THOSE WHO SURVIVED.

what brings an end to the war? One can be exhausting of the force with their death. other may be the aspiration of the people who want to live. Those who have lived the horrific experiences of the war showered the ethicality and peace in the society. It is the aspiration of the dying people gives them motivation to live through the peace establishment.

Nelson mandela, the black man who fought against the inequality and waged the war against system of apartheid not just lived to see the end of the war but also seen the perpetuity of the peace. this was unique as it established the life for the black people in south Africa.

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And not to forget that, the dead have seen the war, lived the wars and died in the war. Neither the dead have ended the wars, nor they saw the peace establishing. Thus, they may not have seen the end, but the war.

However, it can be said that the dead may have influenced the leaders to call of the war like the battle of Kalinga. It is the bloodbath of victims, the cries of families and mental revolution of the king Ashoka repaired the Bherighosha with Dhammaghosha.

On the tag end of the tail, the dead may even start the war. It is the blow on chest of Lala Lajpat rai by police in Karachi station awakened the revolutionaries. It is the death of Rai that sang the beginning of Bhagath singh's terror on colonial oppression. And not to forget it was the massacre of Jalianwala

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back that motivated Uddham Singh to take revenge on General Dyer.

However, it is undeniable that the peace is norm but war is unavoidable But the war can be customized so that they can cause the death of ills and promote the good.

MAKING LIVING SEE THE END OF WAR

Not all wars are bad - Not all wars start with ill motives. And also not all wars take the lives of people. Political philosophers have delved into the topic to establish the theory of war. One of such works is by Thomas Aquinas. He opposes "just war" theory. the war can be waged when all the means to establish the peace and has many have failed. for example, the surrender policy added with Job security was offered to Naxals in Odisha. when they refused it, the saranda strategy and Bastaria batalions were formed to wage war and bring the peace.

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And the wars for just and should also ensure that the dead who fight the wars are threat to humanity., and, the outcomes of the wars is in proportion or better in comparison to pre-wars scenarios.

And finally the wars should take into account that it ends, not continue till perpetuity. The forces of usa though might have reduced terror with terror, their untimely withdrawal from Afghanistan have created much more terror than before. This may make both the dead and living see the wars, but may not be its end.

In a nutshell, it can be said that nobody desires wars. It is the peace and prosperity that drives the people to do the actions. sometimes, this desire for peace in particular manner and prosperity for the self cause the wars and continues till perpetuity. The dead have seen the pains of the wars and saw their past end in the battle; it is the

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responsibility of the living people to learn from the mistakes and ensure that the hatred and vengence come to an end. And one should remember the words of Mahatma Gandhiji that an eye for an eye makes the world blind. The darkness of the battles can't be defeated by subsequent battles, it is the light of humanity and the peace triumphs all the battles. It makes the world more liveable, with less and less severe wars if at all they arise.