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"My life is my Message."

"The future depends on what we do in the present."

M. K. Gandhi



Dedicated

To

My Sonnet

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Chapter-1

SIMPLE LIVING AND HIGH THINKING: GANDHIANISM

Dr. Sanjay Sarkar

"Simplicity is the best way to live a balanced life. We need to understand the significance of simple living" ...

Abstract:

Mohan Das Karamchand i, Gandh a great leader, true fighter, the father of the nation has always preached that simple living and high thinking should be the golden principle of life. The great saint Gandhiji attained spiritual greatness and shook the world by their intellectual thinking are examples of this principle. He who believes in simple living creates problems neither for himself nor for others. One who engages in high thinking becomes a truly selfless person. It reduces anxieties and negative thoughts. Simple living means according to your limited needs and not according to your unlimited greed. Gandhiji's way of living simple life has inspired all persons to a great extent. Life may not have all the luxurious things but you can keep yourself away from worries. You can always live up to your expectations as you will expect less from life. This paper is based on thinking of Gandhiji today, basically, it is talk about Gandhianism.

Key Words: Simple living, Intellectual thinking, Gandhianism.

Introduction: All the religions of world preach only one thing that a person should live simply but should have high thinking. Many of our forefathers have reached a height of greatness and fame by following this principle. Mahatma Gandhi was a follower of this principle. Gandhiji, the social reformer led a simple life and was always kind and helpful towards others. But now in today's competitive world people are no longer ready to follow this principle. Our traditional moral values have become obsolete. Now the attitude of people has changed. The only thing that people are interested in is to earn money and at any cost. The people want to live in lap of luxuries and comforts. The status symbol and prestige are more important to people than the simple philosophy and humanity. The people are ready to exploit others to gain their own benefits. The meaning of the word's devotion,

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Chapter-18

GANDHIAN PRINCIPLES AND MODERN SKILL-BASED EDUCATION

Dr. Baneswar Jana

Abstract:

The Gandhian educational philosophy, with its emphasis on holistic development, self-reliance, and ethical living, provides a timeless framework that is increasingly relevant in today's rapidly evolving educational landscape. Gandhi's emphasis on self-reliance, holistic development, and moral values is juxtaposed with current educational trends that prioritize technical and vocational skills. The analysis highlights the relevance of Gandhian thought in addressing the limitations of modern education, such as the focus on material success and the neglect of character building. Gandhian values of simplicity, sustainability, and community service, skill-based education can foster well-rounded individuals who are not only proficient in their trades but also ethically grounded and socially responsible. The educational approach that integrates vocational training with moral and ethical education, proposing a model that prepares students for both professional success and meaningful contribution to society. Gandhian principles can be effectively integrated into modern skill-based education, enhancing both individual development and societal well-being. Through document analysis and case studies, the paper highlights successful implementations and discusses the potential benefits and challenges of such integration.

Keywords: Non-violence, Truthfulness, Self-reliance, Critical thinking, Empathy, Sustainable development.

Introduction: Mahatma Gandhi's educational philosophy, often referred to as Nai Talim or Basic Education, advocates for an education system that is deeply rooted in the realities of life. It emphasizes the development of the head, heart, and hands through experiential learning, vocational training, and ethical instruction. Gandhi believed that education should be a means of fostering moral and social development rather than merely an academic endeavor. In an era characterized by rapid technological advancements and an ever-evolving job market, the integration of skill-based education within the traditional education framework has become imperative. The Gandhian principles, rooted in Mahatma Gandhi's vision for self-reliance, simplicity,

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