



WOMEN EMPOWERMENT - A NEED OF SOCIETY

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ABSTRACT

*This article discuss on the need of women empowerment . **Women's empowerment** is the way or a social action in which women elaborate and recreate what it is to be in a circumstance that they previously were denied. Empowerment can be defined in many ways, however, when talking about women's empowerment, empowerment means accepting and allowing people (women) who are on the outside of the decision-making process into it. "This puts a strong emphasis on participation in political structures and formal decision-making and, in the economic sphere, on the ability to obtain an income that enables participation in economic decision-making. Empowerment is the process that creates power in individuals over their own lives, society, and in their communities. People are empowered when they are able to access the opportunities available to them without limitations and restrictions such as in education, profession and lifestyle. Feeling entitled to make your own decisions creates a sense of empowerment. Empowerment includes the action of raising the status of women through education, raising awareness, literacy, and training. Women's empowerment is all about equipping and allowing women to make life-determining decisions through the different problems in society. Women empowerment has to begin with women's active participation. Unless women throw off the shackles that ignore their talent, skill and spirit women through education and economic self-reliance, cannot be empowered. Unless they are empowered to take a decisive part in the social, political and economic life of the country the very development of the country will be lop-sided.*

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INTRODUCTION

Alternatively, it is the process for women to redefine gender roles that allows for them to acquire the ability to choose between known alternatives whom have otherwise been

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restricted from such an ability. There are several principles defining women's empowerment such as, for one to be empowered, they must come from a position of disempowerment. Furthermore, one must acquire empowerment themselves rather than have it given to them by an external party. Other studies have found that empowerment definitions entail people having the capability to make important decisions in their lives while also being able to act on them. Lastly, empowerment and disempowerment is relative to other at a previous time; therefore, empowerment is a process, not a product.

Women empowerment has become a significant topic of discussion in development and economics. It can also point to the approaches regarding other trivialized genders in a particular political or social context.

Women's economic empowerment refers to the ability for women to enjoy their right to control and benefit from the resources, assets, income and their own time, as well as the ability to manage risk and improve their economic status and well being.

While often interchangeably used, the more comprehensive concept of gender empowerment refers to people of any gender, stressing the distinction between biological and gender as a role.

Entire nations, businesses, communities and groups can benefit from the implementation of programs and policies that adopt the notion of women empowerment. Empowerment of women is a necessity for the very development of a society, since it enhances both the quality and the quantity of human resources available for development. Empowerment is one of the main procedural concerns when addressing human rights and development.

Women's empowerment and achieving gender equality is essential for our society to ensure the **sustainable development** of the country. Many world leaders and scholars have argued that sustainable development is impossible without gender equality and women's empowerment. Sustainable development accepts environmental protection, social and economic development, and without women's empowerment, women wouldn't feel equally important to the process of development as men. It is widely believed that, the full participation of both men and women is critical for development. Only acknowledging men's participation will not be beneficial to sustainable development. In the context of women and development, empowerment must include more choices for women to make on their own. Without gender equality and empowerment, the country could not be just, and social change wouldn't occur. Therefore, scholars agree that women's empowerment plays a huge role in development and is one of the significant contributions of development. Without the equal inclusion of women in development, women would not be able to benefit or contribute to the development of the country.



For time immemorial women in general been forced to occupy a secondary place in relation to men. Women have been relegated to the margins in spite of the fact that they are numerically half of the world's population.

This has resulted in women being unable to take a place of human dignity as free and independent entities associated with men on an intellectual and professional equal wavelength.

In the ancient period women were known to engage in many productive activities but over the time reproduction and challenges of pregnancy and childbirth gradually made her dependent on men for protection and food.

By the time mankind reached more settled existence patriarchy was fully established. The men were to write the codes of the society and governance where women were given subordinate role. The men projected the dominant viewpoint as universal truth. Yet even in the ages of strict dominance by males society has thrown up women of caliber who could match even surpass the skills of men. The visible achievements of women as teachers, doctors, pilots, politicians and explorers etc. have demolished the patriarchal notions of confining women's role to home and hearth. But these achievements have been made mostly at individual levels at times when women faced discrimination and criticism at all levels.

It is easier to see how detrimental to progress it is to restrict women to specified roles and subordinate them to men. Even to raise children in today's environment to make them fit to face the challenges of a competitive future a woman needs to be fully aware of her choices and decision-making.

The need for women's empowerment is felt because of the status they have in society since the beginning. There is a need to redefine the status of women in the society. A change can be brought through the constitution and supportive legislations. The Constitution of India gives a women status equal to men. There have been attempts to reserve seats for women in political bodies. This is no doubt a step in the right direction. Women have the ability to judge for themselves and take right decisions. However merely allowing for reservation of women in Panchayat and legislative bodies without empowering women individually falls short of actual emancipation. Women have been excluded from centers of power as a result of systematic conspiracy by patriarchal thought most common in India Khap Panchayat that has relegated women to an allotted and confined space. A reorientation of our attitudes towards women has to be carefully guided for their real emancipation from the patriarchal domination.



The impoverished and illiterate status of most women in society is due to their inability to attain sufficient levels of economic power. To sustain any level of empowerment women have to be educated to be aware of their rights and privileges in a modern society. It is only when they become aware of their status in society that they will be able to take full advantage of the concessions offered to them as a corrective measure.

Why need women empowerment because it should be possible for everyone to have a significant role in society!

Need of women Empowerment

The concept of Women's empowerment has become a significant topic of discussion in development and economies. Women empowerment is empowering the women to take their own decision for their personal dependent. Empowerment of women helps them to take their own decision by breaking all personal limitations of society and family.

Women empowerment also refers to the creation of an environment of women where they can make a decision of their own for their personal benefits as well as for society. It is to bring equality in the society for both male and female in all areas; by increasing and improving the social economic and political and legal strength of the women. It is also necessary to ensure equal right to women and to make them confident to claim their rights, such as free live their life with a sense of self-worth, respect and dignity. They should be given complete control of their life, both within and outside their home and workplace.

They should also be given the right to take their own decisions and also to make their own choices. It is very important to give them equal rights to participate in social, religious and public activities. Women should be given the equal social state in society by giving them equal rights for social and economic justice. Every woman should be given an equal opportunity for education and they should also get an equal employment opportunity without any gender bias. It is very important to provide them with a safe and comfortable working environment.

Women empowerment is very pessary to make the bright future of the family, society and country. Women are as talented as men. Previously women were not allowed higher education like men and hence their talent was wasted. But nowadays women are allowed to go for their higher studies and it encourages them to show their capabilities which will not only benefit them but also the whole world at large. The main advantage of women empowerment is that there will be an overall development of the society. The money that women earn does not help them and their family but it also helps society to develop. Women



empowerment leads to a decrease in domestic violence. Uneducated women are at high risk for domestic violence than an educated woman.

In order to make the country a fully developed country, women empowerment is one of the essential too to get the goal to develop.

Empowering women is to bring equality in the social order in which men and women are both equals in all areas. Gender discrimination is one of the main societal concerns in India which is a male dominated country. . Upliftment of women in all strata's of society should be the main concern of a country. It is women's birthright to get equal status in the society.

To really bring empowerment, women need to be conscious about their rights from their own end. They should be aware about what's happening in their society and surroundings. It has the power to change many things in the society and country. They are more equipped than men to deal with certain problems in the society. They can understand the problems relating to overpopulation in the country. They are capable of solving the economic crisis in the country.

Women are confident, intelligent, sharp, kind and all these attributes make women a great leader. The biggest examples of smart talented women are Indira Gandhi, Michelle Obama, Hillary Clinton, Angela Merkel and many more. These women have shown tact, kindness, bravery all while winning hearts. Gloria Steinem, Amal Clooney and many other women have been tirelessly fighting for women's rights all over the world. They've been fighting this ongoing battle for years on end. And there are results where women have secured their right to equality.

Their struggle is endless and men and women must come together to achieve what's their birthright. The fight may turn dirty but everything comes at a price. It's been too long to live under this much oppression. It's time to rattle the chains and fight for what's right. The men have taken advantage of their naivety for centuries; they've used every trick in the books to keep women under their thumbs. What women need to understand is they are their own leaders and nobody else should be able to tell them what to do, what not to do. They should be educated and knowledgeable enough to make their own decision and control their life, and for that to happen, they need to step out of their houses and see the world with their own eyes.

Through empowerment, it can be possible to change the male dominated country into the equally dominated country of prosperous economy. A woman is considered to be in charge of everything in the family as she can solve all the problems in a better way from her own end.

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Empowerment of women would automatically bring empowerment for everyone. . In few last years, we have seen the advantages of women empowerment coming out in front of us. Women are more aware about their health, education, career, job and responsibilities than they ever were. They are taking part in the every quarter and showing great interest in every field. Finally, after long years of great effort, they are getting their rights to go ahead on the true path.

CONCLUSION:

So now, we have to consider over each and every concept on women empowerment first. And apart from everything else, empowering women has an affirmative impact on a country's genuine economy. Those colossal countries that swallow, as some of the testimonies here actually indicate no matter what the resolutions of the question, that women should be unearthed within the traditional positions in our society's wives and mothers, but shown more esteem are and will be remain economically backward. Emancipating up women's participation in society will free up and rampant minds and economies.

Now, to eradicate all these wickedness from our society and to construct our society a superior place to reside for both men and women, women empowerment is quite vital because unless and until a place is not safe for all the natives of our society it can't be a superior place. Women empowerment supports women to perceive upon their lives as a confident being. It truly incites women to stand and fight by their own for their own rights and live a well-worthy life. There is no bolshevik but a little bit of difference in the mindset of that are actually allowing women to wander on the simple pathway of development. As, women are evacuating no stones untwirled to prove themselves to the world and despite many hurdles, they twirl out to attain reputable and notable positions. Women since ages have been wrestling to be socially and professionally recognized as correspondent to all men. Because, women are evacuating no stones untwirled to prove themselves to the world and despite many hurdles, they twirl out to attain reputable and notable positions.

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