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Role of Human Right Education in Empowering Women Ranjna Choudhary

Introduction

India, a country of democracy where the liberty of thoughts and expression, equality of status and opportunity are mentioned in constitution. Despite of this, there are lots of discriminations faced on the ground of caste, gender, race etc. In the context of gender, women constitute half of the population and have equal rights but their participation in society is negligible. The stereotype thinking and masculine ideology are the major factors in reduction of status of women. Women play an imperative and important role in making our nation progressive. For that, it is necessary to empower women on providing proper quality education to them. According to the Census 2011, Literacy rate is 74.04% in which male literacy rate is 82.14% and female literacy rate is 65.46%. This data explains the status of women's education. Education is the only key for the empowering of women. Human right education provides the opportunity to gain knowledge and facilities to enhance their abilities for the development of women status and hence whole society.

Right to Education

In this 21st century, education becomes the need of the society. Education is a vital and the only factor in determining the positive attitudes in any society. It is a fool to empower an individual. So, after the educational reforms all around the world, it is realised that education should be a basic right of human so that government introduced RTE which was passed on 4th August 2009.RTE is universal and is recognized as human right. RTE includes the right to free and compulsory primary education so that anyone has the right to gain knowledge freely without any discrimination on the ground of gender, class, race etc. Women's get opportunity to gain knowledge and development of skill which helps them in being self – dependent. Self - dependence and self - confidence reduces the crime and increases the participation of women in society as a citizen. In addition, RTE encompasses the obligation to rule out discrimination at all levels of the educational system, to set minimum standard and to improve quality of education. Education is the fundamental human right and essential for the exercise of all human rights. It promotes individual freedom and empowerment and yields important development benefits.

Women Empowerment

Women constitute half of the population. Women are an important section of society. Empowerment of women is essential for the upliftment of social, economic and political status of women without

fear, operation, exploitation anv and discrimination. Women's are the base of the whole family and health society. So, for the betterment of society, it is necessary to empower women. Women empowerment is a global issue. Improving education for women helps raise their levels of Health and nutrition and reduces fertility rate. Empowerment increase self - confidence and independent. It enables them to get jobs, increase participation in public debate, and provide opportunity to make choice to prove their own and their children's health and future building (Construction of future by themselves).

Women empowerment plays an important role and does work on the following points:

- Development of abilities and life skill for improving their status.
- Development of self confidence, self worth and dignity.
- Active participation in the social.
- Decision making of there own.
- Equality in the social status.
- Get safe and comfortable working environment.
- Reducing the exploitation and crimes.
- Family planning.
- Equal opportunity without any biasness.
- Awareness about human rights and role of education in betterment of status of women.
- Reducing poverty.
- National development.

Issues and Challenges in Implementing Human Rights

As our constitution provides rights, facilities and opportunities for quality education. Even then, no big improvement has shown in the status of women. Despite of the benefits there are many challenges faced in the implementation of Human Rights.

Stereotype thinking:

There is a social mind set not to provide the equal opportunities and right to education to the women as women are only for care taking of their family. Four walls of homes are the limitation. Also as this is male dominated country, men rule over the women and do not allow them to gain knowledge and know about their rights.

Poor educational infrastructure:

In rural area, huge distance between home and the educational institution, which enables girls child how to school. Also the numbers of institutions are very few. There are no facilities of transportation.

Low awareness about RTE:

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बिहार शोध समागम^{27 | Page} BIHAR SHODHSAMAAGAM People in rural area are unknown from the right to education. There is a lack of awareness so that status of women is stable.

Fear of oppression, exploitation and crime:

The locality is the major obstacle in the way of education as there is fear of exploitation, rape, crime on allowing girls to go outside from the home.

Religious issues:

In some religion there is a trend to PARDA. People create a mandatory that being literate is an act against the religions.

Hierarchy of Norms & Rights:

Corruption is the social disease which unbalance the whole society. All the government acts and scholarships are not given to the needy people. Also there is hierarchy of norms by the corrupted persons of the society.

Poverty:

This is the major problems faced by the citizens of India. There is a huge gap between the rich and the poorer. It results, failure of fulfillment of daily needs. Girls and Womens work in agriculture and hence get disattached from education.

Government Programs for Women Empowerment

- Sakshar Bharat Missions: Launch in 2008 for promoting adult education among women.
- SABLA: Rajiv Gandhi scheme for adolescent girls by providing Nutrition.
- Kasturba BalikaVidyalaya: Establishment of residential Upper Primary School for Girls.
- National Programmes for education of girls at elementary levels for dropout girls.
- Mahila Sanghs: It provides space for rural women to meet, discuss issue,ask questions,make informal choice.
- Dhanalakshmi Scheme: Ensuring the survival of girl child and assuring a better life for her.

Role of Self-Help Group

The best way for providing the education among women is to promote self -help group. The activation of this group are in the rural areas. In it,a group of women gather in evening for the discussion and a local women who is elected by the government staffs. They learnt about the basic needs and education related to their life. But making it more effective government should provide some facility to the faculty member for this incredible social help.

Suggestions for the promotion and achievement of equality in the society

- Provide more teaching staffs and improve the teaching method so that everyone can able of gain knowledge easily.
- Promote Self help groups and provide funds.
- Implementation of transportation so that women and girls able to go school safely.
- Betterment of infrastructure: There should school at the shortest distance at walking distance.

- Provide facilities of scholarship so that the girls belonging to poor family are also able to gain knowledge.
- Organizing education awareness camp which enable women know about the role of education in betterment of status.
- Adding vocational education as compulsory in the syllabus which make women Self dependent and confident.

Conclusion

Education is the only key for empowering women and development of whole Nation. Human Right Education plays a vital role in promoting education. Women also have the equal participation in the society so it is essential to empower them. Human right education provides opportunity and facilities for gaining knowledge without any discrimination on the ground of gender, caste, race, religions etc. For achieving the goals of Human Rights education, there must be fostered as an intricate part of the culture of human rights. To have benefits of diversity is to promote awareness about the human right education. There are so many challenges faced like discrimination, oppression, exploitation, local debates, social mindset etc. For promotion, government also organize programs for women like – Beti-Padhao,Beti-Bachao Abhiyan.

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