

MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS: INDIA'S ROLE IN ACHIEVING THEM

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In 1997 in the framework of the Millenium Project, the World Federation of UN Associations published "State of the Future" report, which identified 15 global challenges facing humanity, relating to the degradation of the environment, poverty, income inequality, transparency, democratic development, gender inequality, war, organized crime etc.

India is also a signatory to the Millenium Declaration adopted by the UN. There is a considerable progress in the all most all the MDG's but Still India is not on a track to meet these goals fully. Major challenges which India is facing are related to Environment, Illiteracy, Discrimination against women.

Recently, India has being named as one of the most top populated countries in the world as the major states like Kanpur, Delhi and Mumbai have being considered as the most populated states with the bad air to breath in which is also responsible for the non-communicable diseases which causes lung cancer, heart stroke, etc. The Raise of Discrimination against women has also arisen by the incidences like rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, etc. The cases like, rape with an 8 year old girl child and an outrage by the people to save the accused of this heinous crime and rape of a girl by one of the member of the government state legislative assembly shows that there is strong need of safety measure for the girls and women to save them. In illiteracy there has been a slow progress, but still there is shortage of schools in the villages and where there are schools, there is a shortage of teachers.

There have being policies which government has made as a solution to these problems like: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Beti Padhao Beti Bachao, Swach Bharat, etc. but certainly these policies are not implemented properly because of which these problems still prevails. There are many solution

which the Government can take but, the immediate decision will be to open schools in every village of every district with proper supplies and an well educated teachers, because education plays the key role which can be started in our own home if we educate every person in our home then we'll be able to educate the other persons also. It is not only to educate the younger generation but also the adults who still believes in the orthodox rituals and who gives more importance to the unnecessary rituals or the practices like child marriages, not to educate the girl child or to blame the girl for the rape because of her clothes, etc. than the humanity or the lives of the people. Education is one strong weapon by which we can solve all these problems if not completely than definitely find a cure for these problems. Education about Planet earth, about Humanity, about Sex, about Peace, about a Better Home, because if we are able to have a better home, than only we will be able to have a better nation and a better planet.

