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3. Language Competence
4. Introduction Competence
5. Structure - Presentation Competence
6. Conclusion Competence

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"Intolerance is the first sign of
inadequate education."

At around 11 pm,
in an otherwise sleepy village near
Dadri, Uttar Pradesh; mob of local villagers
had gathered outside Akhlaq's house.
The family was almost asleep when the
crowd stormed inside the house dragging
AKhlaq, and his son out..

Alleging that the family
had killed missing calf and stored it in
their refrigerator, the mob not only
invaded into their home but also brutally
murdered AKhlaq. The grim episode of
2015 still remains fresh in our memories
for hundreds of AKhlaq, continue to fall prey
to the deadly virus of intolerance that
inadequate and improper education has
created.

In the essay, we shall examine what constitutes Intolerance coupled with its varied manifestations. The essay will then explore the role of Inadequate education as primary force in breeding intolerance. This shall be followed by analysing the corrosive impact of intolerance on different stakeholders and in different spheres of life. The essay will conclude with way forward on how to imbibe and nurture virtue of Intolerance to stand true to India's true identity — multicultural tolerant democracy!!

Intolerance and its Myriad Manifestations

Intolerance refers to lack of acknowledgement and respect towards ones with different viewpoints or belief systems.

Intolerance stems from confusing uniformity with unity, for instance insisting that different religions have different and mutually exclusive secular interest [radical communalism].

Intolerance is not a new concern. Caste discrimination and exclusion of women from public sphere i.e. Sabha and Samiti ⁱⁿ later Vedic age is among foremost example from ancient India. Aurangzeb's short sighted and intolerant attitude towards regional leaders costed Mughal empire its very existence, during Mughal era. British India was no different.

Repressive laws like Vernacular Press Act; Rowlatt Act strengthening the cause of Indian freedom struggle were nothing but creed of intolerance. Unfortunately,

Sedition against 19 year old for
Slogan 'Pakistan Zindabad', acts as
grim reminder of rising intolerance
in our collective conscience.

Inadequate Education: Primary Force

Hellen Keller rightly
remarked — "Education Highest form
of Education is tolerance"!!

Education broadens the
horizons of our narrow vision, exposing
us to different practices, belief systems and
world views. In fact, educational institutions
act as first formal agent of socialization.
Their influence in formative years coupled
with reverent authority results in deep
seated prejudices and values/vices of
tolerance/intolerance.

For example, debate competitions in schools; group activities among students and classes in moral education have deep influence on our value system and individual morality.

Education here does not connote formal classroom study. It is a holistic concept, beginning from family to peer group to institutions like media.

Realising the significance, early reformers like Jyotiba phule and Dr. Ambedkar placed utmost importance on education as tool of upliftment and strengthening social fabric of the nation.

However, as Gandhiji rightly said, education of ~~man~~ mind without education of heart is no education. Inadequate or improper education can do more harm than

anything else. For instance,
teaching based on religious exclusivism
rather than religious pluralism is
most influential force behind rising
radical terrorist activities.

Taliban is nothing but product of the
Same.

Improper and Inadequate
education may focus solely on
textbook knowledge or rote learning;
far distant from social reality. Or it
may be based on narrow ideology
claiming one viewpoint/system as
Supreme. Nazi propaganda using
educational indoctrination is testimony to
the same. Imparting a narrow
societal vision through family such as
caste, class distinctions are another
manifestation of intolerance & education
correlation.

The consequences of such inadequate education breeding intolerance are deadly for all and at all times.

Intolerance : Corrosive Force }

Vice of intolerance in Individual can result in aggressive personality or self-alienation. Resorting to violence to suppress such diverse viewpoints become their only solace. Anger, hatred and criminal conduct like honor killing are consequences of the same.

For a family and society, intolerance can shake its very pillar of existence. For example, lack of respect towards women autonomy in a family translates to glass ceiling in public sphere. Sabarimala protest is case in point.

At national level, Hitler's Germany is living example of what

Intolerance could do to the nation and even the world. Rising terrorist incidences in nations like France are another example of the same signifying debilitating impact of Intolerance.

Similarly, at political level, intolerance can result in breakdown of entire political structure. China's 100 flower program encouraging dissent to vent out public grievance is prominent example of how replacing intolerance with respect for diversity can save the polity.

For an economy too, intolerance can have disastrous consequences. 1991 crisis, product of increasing alienation of India from world and suspicion of any economic interaction with the world is one such example.

Furthermore, at ethical level, intolerance can sound doom for everyone as it is tolerance that promotes social cohesion despite diversity. The principle of "I may not agree with you but I will defend till my death your right to say it" shall be our guiding light rather than hatred or dismissal of diverse viewpoints.

While, disastrous consequences of intolerance are for everyone to see, real challenge lies in promoting and nurturing tolerance.

Tolerance as Guiding Force }

Tolerance is key to healthy family, healthy society and healthy nation.

The foremost tool of imbibing and internalising tolerance is Holistic education — proper synthesis of education of mind and heart. It could be via conditioning [inculcating democratic behaviour in family] or observational learning i.e. creating a culture that respects tolerance.

Value education through activity based learning such as privilege walk, role reversal as well as field visits are potent tools to fight menace of intolerance.

Institutional culture be it Secular polity, responsible media or impartial judiciary guided by constitutional values of respect for equality, liberty and fraternity is the need of the hour.

Self-check perhaps through active listening, greater interaction with different stakeholders in society and developing reading habits are equally important ways to develop virtue of tolerance.

Thus, the most potent ~~etc~~ drug against the deadly virus of Intolerance is holistic education guided by human values of empathy, tolerance and fraternity. It is the shield that Akhlag's of the country need to live life of dignity and free from fear. Inclusive education is one wall to guarantee them secure homes. Influence of Aristotle teachings on Alexander resulting in tolerant attitude of Alexander towards people of conquered territories is testimony to the same !!

International Cooperation and multilateralism
are Indispensable

[Welcome to Globetopia!]

A planet no less than
heaven!! All nations live here with
Spirit of 'Vasudev Kutumbakam'. Fresh
air, equitable access to resources and
human rights are enjoyed by every
individual as [global citizen].

Hunger, poverty, inequality
are alien to the people - for these nations
have achieved their Sustainable develop-
ment goals well before the deadline of 2030.

Further, rising multilateralism has
enabled them to achieve universal nuclear
disarmament. In short, sovereign equality
and unity are the ruling principles here!!

Reality check!! Globeterrona is mere
fragment of Imagination!!

However, the imagination
can soon turn into reality with two
most potent tools i.e. International
Cooperation and Multilateralism. In
this essay, we will examine the path
to create this reality.

The essay begins with
examination of the concept and various
manifestations of multilateralism and
International co-operation. It then
explores the indispensability of the two in
light of present day challenges. It highlights
the need to be united and ignited. Finally,
the essay concludes with way forward
to foster international cooperation and
multilateralism.

International Cooperation and Multilateralism: Meaning and Manifestations

International cooperation and multilateralism implies conjoint action among larger group of nations in addressing global challenges. It is essential ~~into~~ incidence of sovereign equality of nations where countries come together to tackle common challenges in spirit of oneness and fraternity.

Multilateralism manifests itself in different spheres. At economic level, world trade organisation establishing global rule based trading regime is potent example. Environmentally, Paris Accord 2015 establishing nationally determined targets towards arresting climate change is product of international cooperation. On

International plane, codification and development of International law such as Hague convention on war crimes; Genocide convention are some manifestations.

Multilateralism : Why Indispensable?

Globalisation 2.0 has heralded a new era of interdependence and borderless world. From pre-occupation with individual interests as seen during world wars and cold war era to increased realisation of oneness of this planet, nations has undergone transformational change. Tackling COVID-19 on war footing in spirit of one global community is reflection of the same.

Highly integrated global order implies commonality of challenges and global repercussions of individual action

As observed in different walks of life.

At political level, Afghanistan political turmoil and its implications for neighbouring countries like India and global powers like USA reflects growing inter-connect-
edness of the world. India, victim of
cross border terrorism used by Pakistan as
instrument of foreign policy, is no alien to
this.

Economically, importance for
multilateralism can be gauged from the
impact that Brexit and US-china
trade war posed for the world. From
rising protectionism, rupee depreciation
and global instability, all international
players have been impacted by action of
select nations.

Environment perhaps is
the most prominent of all impacted spheres.

Irresponsible conduct and resource misappropriation by few costs hefty sum to all. IPCC report highlighting the risk of cost of mitigation of climate change for developing countries to quadruple by 2040 is gentle reminder of the same.

At social level, poverty and instability anywhere poses threat to stability everywhere. Rohingya crisis and civil strife in Syria/Yemen are examples of the same.

Historical realisation of this interconnectedness led to common fight for decolonisation in 1960s coupled with birth of Non-Alignment Movement. 21st century challenges demand more resolute and concerted action from all nations.

United and Divided : Need of the hour

Lets face the stark reality : No nation can face the present day challenges on its own - for both the cause and effect knows no national boundary!

First, common problems demand common action - Success of Montreal Convention in reducing ozone hole through bottom up approach is reminder of the same.

Second, tackling new age challenges from terrorism to climate change to public health concerns; resource constraint is major impediment. Developing nations and least developed nations cannot be left alone when they are victims of damage done by select few developed nations such seen in Space

weaponisation ; degradation of global commons (Arctic Ocean).

[Third], success of individual initiative depends on international cooperation. India's commitment towards renewable sector gains its weight from success of multilateral initiatives like International Solar Alliance and Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure.

International cooperation & Multilateralism : Key challenges

Given the diversity among nations, different value orientation and domestic challenges ; successful multilateral order is beset with numerous challenges.

[Politically], breakdown of global multilateral order is key challenge. But it declining legitimacy of World Health Organisation amidst allegations

of its partisan role in handling covid-19
core ~~for~~ futility of WTO dispute settlement body
due to USA's veto; multilateralism has
come under great attack in present
times.

Financially, inequitable access to
resources, be it financial or technical
has emerged as major impediment
creating great mistrust and power
asymmetry. Non-compliance with developed
nation commitment to create \$100bn fund
towards developing nation fight against
climate change is just one tip of the iceberg.

Domestic challenges have further
compounded the problems. Poor nations
struggling with hunger, extreme poverty
(Yemen, Syria), political instability (Afghanistan);
participation in global initiatives is a goal
far to seek.

Nevertheless, these challenges present us with golden opportunity to create a world where equity and peace are its hallmarks.

Fostering International Cooperation: A Way Forward

Foremost, the global community needs value consensus. We must deepen our understanding of the present day challenges, identify the concern areas and carve resolute action plan.

Universal ratification of convention prohibiting child labour (ILO) is an example of the same.

Secondly, efforts must be directed at strengthening multilateralism. United Nations reform towards more inclusive membership, improvement in veto regime and greater stakeholder consultation is a step in that direction.

Thirdly, contemporary challenges call for greater technical and financial cooperation. Industrial Revolution 4.0 with its own challenges like cyber terrorism, intelligence explosion and privacy violations demand capacity building among all stakeholders. Developed nations have not only legal but also moral obligation as part of 'common but differentiated responsibility'.

Most importantly, the path to fostering international cooperation involves imbuing the spirit of 'one world' as part of International Ethics. Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call for LIFE [i.e. environment conscious lifestyle] for all at COP 26 exemplifies this spirit.

The vision of Globeternia
demands better of us! It calls for
biocentric vision where part of the global
community - be it humans, environment
or nation states are seen as end in
themselves - to be respected and valued!

Lets come together and
prove the strength of oneness! Globeternia
shall not be far to seek!!