

EVALUATION INDICATORS

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- ④ If one has seen further than others it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants.

Recently, India's Chandrayaan-3 mission became successful. It made India as the first country to be on moon's south pole. This is credited to scientist of ISRO. ISRO is now further taking lead in other scientific exploration. leaving other countries like USA, UK China, Russia behind.

such successful milestone of ISRO is possible because ISRO is

standing on strong shoulders of
Vikram Sarabhai, A.P.J. Abdul
Kalam, Narbi Narayana. ISRO's
success shows that for taking further
steps, to leave a trail, is to step
on giant shoulders.

In this essay, we will see what
does taking further of others means.
Then we will discuss why strong shoulders
are necessary. Then we will delve how
strong shoulders takes us further. Then
we will see the impacts on stepping
on wrong shoulders and what does it
lead to. Finally we will see how
shoulders of giant can bring visionary outlook

Today's world is seen as
progressive society. Why it is so?

It is because we have evolved a
further positive outlook. This seen
from nations being democratic societies,
having unity, equality. What are the
factors behind its progress?

This is due to support of
shoulders of strong giants. These
giants in the form of events, leaders
have created impetus on minds of
common mass. Such as, French Revolution
which gave liberty, equality, fraternity,
leaders like Abraham Lincoln, Nelson

Mandela who gave basic rights to coloured people for their further progress.

By stepping on these giants, we are enhancing our views and taking further steps. Like Ambedkar said while framing our constitution that it ransacked by all other constitutions of the countries. India has stepped on positive provisions of each constitutional giant and is now further taking it forward through various amendments.

Moreover, India is now becoming economically stable in various

parameters like - inflation, GDP, rates etc. This progress in economic sphere is guided by Narsimha Committee, Mahalanobis plan. Now RBI's policy is taking India to further economical ~~pol~~ stability.

Thus, it is the strong shoulders that backs up a further vision. It motivates the one to take future steps and makes you to stand out in a herd. India was the first country to give Universal Adult Franchise in 1947 itself. On other side USA despite being first to have democracy gave it in 1960. This was due to strong shoulders of Sarojini Naidu, Amie Bhat

Aruna Asaf Ali etc.

Not only in Universal Adult Franchise, women got educational rights too. This is backed up by giant shoulders of Savitribai Phule, DK Karve, Iskwar Chand Vidyasagar. Due to their efforts, women are excelling in different spheres - Kalpana Chawla, first IPS Kiran Bedi, and now first woman tribal ~~Prime M~~ President as Droupadi Murmu.

Alongside, shoulders of giants enhances one's capabilities and realisations. Our technological capabilities are now moving way too

forward. This is due to progressive educational infrastructures which was further backed up by establishment of IIT's and IIM's in 1950s. Vocational training of students are further progressing. Further CEOs of major companies are Indians, like Sundar Pichai of Google, Satya Nadella of Microsoft.

Moreover, India also has varied wildlife diversity. Among them is India which has largest population of tigers in the world. This was due to strong shoulders of Project Tiger of 1973. On these lines we have brought other initiatives like TX2 making their

population further double, standing out from other tiger range countries.

On microscale, an individual's progress is more successful when it is backed up by strong shoulders of family. Family's imparted values and norms decides the individual's success. Ratan Tata's success is credited to strong base support of family. It is making him to stand out from other competitive business hubs.

It is important to note that, sometimes you might step ~~of~~ on wrong shoulders. This further can degrade you. Hitler's Nazism was

inspired by Mussolini's view of Facism,
which further led to his downfall.

Similarly, one's perception may
also vary leading to wrong interpretation
of strong backed up shoulders. As
evident from perception of radical
groups towards their religion. This
has caused harm to brotherhood of
different countries.

Also, not always you will be
backed up by strong shoulders.
Sometimes your situation will make
you to take a stand, different from
others. Ambedkar, despite of lacking
support, fought for the rights of

depressed class. Due to this, untouchability has been banned and equal opportunity is given.

Hence, this proves that you
can be the shoulder of support to
others. It requires a courage to
stand alone and to reflect what
you think. Your motives should
take others along with you and not
to be based on walk alone strategy.

"someone is sitting in the
shade because someone planted a
tree long time ago." This is reflect
in our above arguments that in our

progressive society we are backed up
by each section of society. Need is
to further carry on others by
becoming their shoulders for peaceful
co-existence of various sections.

④ It's time for us to turn to each other, not on each other.

There were two strangers Ravi and Kabir. Ravi was visually impaired and Kabir was suffering from Cerebral Palsy with both legs affected. Both were determined to reach same destiny. Ravi lifted up Kabir on his shoulders while Kabir guided him the path. They were successful in reaching out to the destination.

Above story indicates that despite of being the part of same race, they went together. They fully

utilised each other's strength rather than turning down each other's weaknesses. This made them to reach destiny without facing any adversities.

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divided the people it destructed the unity among masses. Arrival of Bhakti Movement and Sufism promoted the importance of turning to each other rather against each other.

Turning towards each other promote sense of unity to fight evils in the adversities. Before Revolt of 1857, each unit was fighting ~~was~~ for own interest with each other. When they realised about the common enemy, they fought against the British rule by turning together. This is why it is called as First War of Independence.

Post Independence, India was known as "slow elephant" upto 1980s as it was taking care of each section of society in developmental process.

Whereas, Singapore, Malaysia, Hongkong were "fast Asian tigers". They ultimately got trapped into Asian crisis, Global Economic Depression. This was due to their government's forceful unilateral policies turning on their citizens, whereas India was turning to collective goals.

Collectivism needs to be preferred over individualism to bring out harmony in society. This holds more importance for country like India

which has diverse caste, religion, culture, due to which communal harmony sometimes is disrupted. This was evident from issue of Babri Masjid. But it was Acharya Dharmendra's Ekta Yatra of Hindu and Muslim together which reflected the importance of turning to each other.

On global scale when countries were competing with each other they were ultimately getting trapped in their economic instability. Globalisation was sought as solution to open up the economy. This led to exchange of tradition, culture, financial assistance by turning towards each other.

Turning against each other might make one to have short term gains. But ~~it~~ in long run it can destroy ~~one~~ oneself too. Developed countries were rapidly industrialising without taking care of environmental factor. Due to this, along with them others are suffering from climate crisis too.

Realisation of time is of utmost importance when it comes to turning to each other. Looking at high rate of ozone depletion, countries turned towards each other in inculcating successive Vienna, ~~first~~

Montreal Protocol and its Kigali amendment. This led to decreased rate of ozone depletion. ~~to~~ Countries turned to each other by making it first to be ratified by all its signatories. This exposes that contribution of every section holds importance.

Consequently, this is true when it comes to contribution of women in the developmental process. "Development is endangered if it is not gendered." Early society used to turn on them. But now with progressive outlook, we are turning to them. Women literacy

rate is now on continuous increase.
They are seen in different sectors—political, economical, scientific etc. This is possible because we are turning to their overall development.

Looking at the other side of coin, sometimes turning against each other becomes important when it comes to India's sovereignty and territorial integrity. India-China war of 1962 made India to further strengthen its border against China's assertiveness.

Also turning on each other leaves a trail of experience. We learn from the two world wars

about the worst consequences of destruction which leads to instability. Aftermath, we haven't experienced any world war yet.

Furthermore, neither turning on each other nor towards each other will provide a peaceful solution. As it is evident from India's Non-alignment Policy of not aliging or going against each other. This is the safe arm length principle to avoid entreties and at the same time to provide a neutral solution.

Thus, it depends on situation when to turn on each other and when to take stand for yourself.

The ultimate aim should be to bring betterment in society and not to be self oriented.

In Mahabhartha, we need to think why Pandavas conquered over Kauravas? Pandavas had faults and even Kauravas had some qualities. Still we wanted Pandavas to win. This was because Pandavas were collectively oriented, they used to learn from their mistakes. On the other hand, Kauravas were selfish oriented and always used to turn against other's interests.

So as discussed above, it is important to take others along

with you when ~~demands~~ the time
demands to. Just as Ravi and Kabir
turned their weakness into each other's
strength. Need of today's adverse
situation of climate crisis, social disharmony,
communal violence, etc is to work
towards oriented goal collectively not
individually.