

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT THROUGH POLITICS: SOME IDEAS

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Abstract- In this research paper the researcher has raised certain important issues which have turned out to be a major hurdle in the development of women and thereby our country. By emphasizing the entry of large number of women in politics, the researcher has shared some key ideas which could break stereotype thought pattern in our society and can bring about paradigm shift through systematic entry of women in politics in current socio-political male dominated structure.

Key words- Women empowerment, politics.

Introduction:

In the post-independence era, India has definitely developed in some areas but at the same time many challenging questions are posed before our nation on account of multiple socio-cultural and religious equations in our extremely divergent society. One major problem is the entry of large number of corrupt politicians in the politics and thereby making the political system of the country extremely polluted. All the intelligence and creativity is useless if it is governed and lead by a corrupt politician. He has all the ability to convert heavenly situation into the hell like situation. All the humanitarians and thinkers constantly think over the solution to come out of such chaotic equations. In the line of such thinking, the researcher has tried to express his thoughts by emphasizing systematic entry of women in politics in the current situation in India.

Problem-Solution equation:

Human mind has amazing potential. History has taught us that whenever there is a problem in the society, some intelligent brains have come out with unpredictable solutions. In the frame of such thinking the researcher genuinely believes that there is high possibility of creating a political party of females only which would be ruled and governed by some intelligent humanitarian ladies of our country. With some intelligent approach and modus operandi such a party can refrain from extreme feminism. If this idea is adopted and deeply rooted in the subconscious of some very intelligent and courageous ladies of our country, then it has every potential and possibility to create wonders in current situation.

Brain vs Heart:



Due to stereotype process of thinking ingrained in common citizens of our country on account of some questionable social customs, patterns and pre-independence education system, a common man would definitely impose questions like- whether women are strong enough to shoulder such responsibility? Women are very emotional and they lack reason and cannot handle difficult situations. But such unintelligent questions can be answered in a smarter and systematic manner citing examples of successful women from past and nearby history. Also the recent advances in science and medical science are enough to provide strong and adequate reply to general critics.

Modus Operandi:

In order to bring about revolutionary changes in the society, it is necessary for some people to perform the role of a seed. If few ladies could set up an example of good governance in a certain constituency and create a role model for the intelligent ladies residing in all parts of the country, then definitely it would be a wonderful beginning for a larger picture in progress. Without any doubt, these initiators will have to go through mental trauma and difficult challenges posed by people born and brought up in ego-centered, male dominated thought pattern. But every big change demands sacrifice of few courageous people.

Challenge of Caste System:

In order to take a paradigm shift in current structure, the intelligent ladies will have to handle the greatest hurdle of caste in a systematic manner. Extreme diversity is both beauty and challenge before our country. As caste system is a psychological disease which creates hierarchical process of thinking and perception among masses, the ladies who lead such movement would require a deeper study and understanding of this concept so that they could refrain from any prejudices. If we study and observe the major figures in current political system, we hardly find any female leader from Assam, Nagaland, Tripura, Mizoram, Bihar and some other states. This is the saddest picture in our democratic system as nearly half of our population consists of females. Hence the creative leaders would require all inclusive politics with adequate representation from all sections of the society and states. By doing this they can set a shining example before others.

Aim is Not to Create Binary Model:

Any model which includes only singular framework can never survive for a longer duration. Therefore the creative ladies should always bear this in mind that in order to cope up with the challenges of current politically polluted system and also to bring forth gender equality in the society, they would be forming a female political party. However, they would gradually add males also in their party. A binary model can never last for a longer duration, hence the creative lady leaders should understand this long term policy for their political journey.

Grass Root Level Work:



One cannot deny the fact that political will and political participation is extremely essential factor to bring about drastic change in the society. It is a pragmatic truth which can be justified by citing some examples from the political history of our country after post-independence era. Therefore women need to start their political journey from very grass root booth level. An appropriate manifesto supplemented by adequate action should be the first step in that direction. Multiple projects at the grass root level involving needy women should be started so that it could have some economic benefits to the multiple sections of the society. Economic empowerment at the grass root level can take place like china if creative lady leaders are willing to do so. Connecting to the ladies of remote parts of our country through schemes like mahila bachat gat, mahila vikas schemes, mahila vikas business models can be the best ways to start and strengthen party at the grass root level. Without strong reason nobody is attracted towards anybody. Starting lady cadres who would try their level best to remove majority of women from the clutches of caste system, social taboos, and religious fanaticism could be some of the approaches which could strengthen the party at the root level and also start changing the mindset of men and women towards the betterment of society.

Creative Media Management:

Despite several lacunas, social media has turned out to be the greatest boon for the creative, innovative and intelligent brains of the society. Existence has showered some artistic qualities in women which has adds joy to living. If studied from the psychological perspective, the concept of satisfaction is different in women. Appreciation and acknowledgement of small creative acts can be a wonderful way to touch the hearts of women. For this to happen, social media can be a great tool for reaching to the masses. Creating some innovative applications, strengthening the network and highlighting the creative work of ladies in all parts of the nation, especially in rural, remote and tribal areas in social media platforms, providing appropriate linkages and support to the ladies through proper channels can be the best way to touch brains and hearts of millions of women of our country. The quality of center determines the condition of periphery. Hence, the quality centers i.e. innovative, creative and visionary lady leaders should take initiative in this regard.

Starting Centers of Dialogue:

At the time of Nalanda and takshashila Univesrity during the golden period of Indian history, there was a culture of dialogue and debate in intelligent manner. However such culture disappeared after certain period due to various historical reasons. The new political party of women can start this culture by starting various centers of dialogue in almost every village and city of our country where regular dialogues could take place. Although dialogues happen but there is no systematic structure or mechanism in our country through which we could connect deeply with the masses especially ladies of our country. Although some newspapers and very few media channels are raising the voices of people, but at this age of online camera and digital technology, instead of connecting through any medium one can directly connect to the people. It would be a revolutionary step by any such party for strengthening our democratic structure and holistic development of citizens of our country. Through these centers of dialogue, the creative ladies can empower political intelligence of the common ladies of India through a systematic mechanism held in their regional languages,



where the entire political mechanism of the country can be made understood to the ladies through arranging small workshops where through the question answer method the illiterate, simple, intelligent and ignorant ladies would be able to understand the real game of corrupt politicians. Also by this they would be able to understand the importance of their voting rights. At present, through our education system some important information is provided to the people of India but in reality, pragmatically, people, especially larger section of women are not able to understand what and how the illegal means are adopted by the shrewd politicians to win elections by hook or crook. By strengthening the activities of these centers, the creative leaders of the female political parties would strengthen the party at grass root level.

In this way, by providing innovative ideas and citing certain glaring examples, the research has tried his level best to provide the best solution to the current corrupt state of politics by introducing innovative idea of starting a new political party of women and thereby enhance quality of life of Indians. When things are going wrong, the only solution is out of the box thinking which is highlighted in this research paper.

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