

EMPOWERING WOMEN, EMPOWERING HUMANITY

There exists a tremendous positivity associated with the word "Empowerment". To empower, is to set free - free from the shackles of prejudices of our society. And what better way can there be to showcase the beauty of empowerment than empowering women. From time immemorial, women have been oppressed by our society. History has witnessed women being tortured in more ways than one whether it is denying her the right to education or the freedom to voice her opinion. A woman personifies power - the power to create, the power to nurture. Alas! she has been reduced to a state where power itself has to be empowered.

It is important that a woman knows her rights, especially today, when humanity has almost ~~ceased~~ ceased to exist. The Delhi gang rape case of December, 2012 is a burning example of the ceasing of humanity. By woman empowerment, I do not refer to educating women alone - even educated women are denied their rights. Rather, woman empowerment means giving her the power to decide her fate - whether it's about the career she chooses or that person she wants to marry, she should have the power to chart out her destiny. Women should have the freedom and the right to stand up against a culture which does not let them breathe free!

It is by empowering women that we can actually empower humanity. A woman can love unconditionally - she nurtures and protects. Humanity too is about love and respect for P.T.O

one another. In a society dominated by the so-called "superior" males, humanity is breathing its last with cases of rape and molestation reported every day. Give a woman the power to rule and see her bring humanity to life - she aims to build a society where girls are not burnt alive for dowry, where a girl can walk out of a household which does not show her respect. An empowered woman knows to differentiate the right from wrong and can stand up for her beliefs. This is humanity - where everyone is given equal opportunity to grow and survive. Being human does not only refer to the ability to reason out or think as opposed to the animals. Being human, rather means treating men and women alike and working together for creating a better tomorrow. Empower a woman and see her create a beautiful tomorrow, where humanity thrives.

Give her This Woman's Day, give your ladies, her right to life. This will bring back the smile which the diamond could not. And ladies, let us pledge to empower ourselves, for it is with us that the greatest power vests - to power to bring something to life; this time let it be humanity.

Happy Women's Day !!

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