

A study of constitution of India and women empowerment

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Abstract

This paper attempts to analyze the status of women Empowerment as per the constitution of India and highlights the laws of constitution of India which are meant for women empowerment. In this paper Importance of women empowerment and schemes related women empowerment are also highlighted which are for the welfare of women empowerment in the country. The data used in the present study is based on secondary sources. The study realize that there is more need for doing empowerment of women in India constitutionally. The study concludes that there is more need to create an secured environment for women so that she should be able to express freely. The present study concludes that Women are known to be the symbol of spirituality, strength, love, sacrifice and courage. The role of women in today's world is changing significantly that is why empowerment of women is must in today's world.

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Introduction

India is a country of geographical extent and of great diversity. Historically our society is one of the oldest society in the world. India lies in the northern eastern hemisphere in the south of continent of Asia which is the biggest continent of world. The main land extends between latitude 8 degree 4min and 37 degree 6m N, longitude 68degree 7 m to 97 degree 25m East. In terms of Culture, Language, Religion, physiographic features India is unique. The total population of our country is 121 corers in 2011 census. The population of India is ethnically and racially diverse. India is a union of states, is a Sovereign socialist secular democratic republic with a parliamentary system of government. The constitution was adopted on 26, Nov 1949 and came into force in 26 Jan, 1950. The constitution of free India guarantees equal status to men and women. The position of our country globally is 29th rank among 146 countries on the basis of gender index.

Women empowerment means equalitarianism of women from the atrocious grips of social, cultural, Economic, Political, and Gender- based discrimination. It means she should be able to express them just like a men freely. The constitution not only grants equal status but also empowers the state to adopt positive measures to empower women. The federal system of our country is keeping an eye on women empowert in the country as it is the 5th goal of sustainable development.

Review of Litreatuer

1. UNICEF 2019 (United Nations Children's Fund): Gender equality is essential to ensure that every child- girl and boy- has a fair chance in life. Gender equality means that women and men and girls and boys enjoy the same rights, resources, opportunities' and protections. Investment in gender equality contributes to lifelong positive outcomes for children and their communities and yield considerable rights and well- being often depend on the rights and wellbeing of woman.

2. Fahlberg *et al* (2016): in the conference of women's empowerment and international organization: achievements, opportunities and constraints, despite these challenges, feminists scholars, activists, and practitioners remain committed to advancing women's equality, the economic and political empowerment, and women's participation in economic and political decision making. The goal is to promote equal opportunities for women to obtain decent work. This is fairly to paid productive work carried out in conditions of freedom, equality, security and human dignity.

3. Shettar (2015) examine to analyses the status of women empowerment in India and highlights the issues and challenges of women empowerment. The study is based on purely secondary source. The dimensions taken by researcher are as fallows economic, social, and political status of women's, the traditionally underprivileged ones, in the society. The study concludes by an observation that access to education, Employment and change in social structure are only the enabling factors to women empowerment.

4. Gull (2015) conducted a study to examine women and violence: a study of women empowerment and its challenges in Jammu and Kashmir. Women's are the most vulnerable and worst hit section of the society especially under situations of violence caused by mill tray and militant conflict. The disturbing situation of Jammu and Kashmir had hit the Kashmiri women hardest and impact on its harmonious development. The result was found that women's empowerment is affected in all spheres such as political, social, economic, domestic violence etc. Empowerment of women in j& k needs a strong and good planning system.

Objectives

1. To through light on the constitutional laws for the welfare of women empowerment.
2. To explain briefly the schemes which are meant for the welfare of women empowerment.
3. To explain the need of women empowerment.

Importance of women empowerment

The empowerment of women has become one of the most important concerns of 21st century not only at national level but also at the international level. Government initiative alone would not be sufficient to achieve his goal. Women plays a key role in our society. She takes care her children, her family responsibility, etc. women plays ideological role in the development of nation. The development of nation at national and international level is impossible without the participation of women. so participation women is necessary in every field of life. According to the father of constitution of India Dr B.R Ambedkar his thought was that women must be treated equally and give equal Prestige In his last speech of parliament of India he says: No man can be great full at the cost of his honor, No country can be grateful at the cost of his liberty, No woman can be great full at the cost of his chastity, the constitution of India grants equality to women. Below mentioned headings are provide which give clear picture for understand the importance of women empowerment:

For Regional, National, and International development.

For Social, Economic, Political development.

For cultural development.

For Educational development.

For Health and survival.

For Agricultural development.

For Decision Making.

At last but not least women empowerment is important for harmonious development.

Research Methodology

The present paper is evocative and logical in nature. The data for present study is from secondary sources and some are observable data, the data is taken as per the need of study.

Constitution and women empowerment in India

For empowerment of women the constitution of India guaranteed equality and equity to the women as per following laws:

- Equality before law for all persons (art 14).
- Prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, place of birth. Art 15(1).
- Special provisions for the welfare of women's and children Art 15(3).
- Equal opportunity in Employment Art (16)
- Equal right to adequate means of livelihood (39 a)
- Equal pay for equal work.39(b)
- securing health and strength of workers and not to abuse the tender age of children.39(c)
- Work and maternity relief for women. Art (42)
- Renounce practices which are derogatory to the dignity of women Art 51 A (2)
- Reservation of total number of seats in panchayat. Art 243 D(3)
- Reservation of total number of seats in municipalities Art (343)
- The Immoral Traffic prevention act,1956
- The Dowry prohibition Act,1961.(Amendment in1986)
- The Indecent Representation of women Act 1986
- The Commission Satia (prevention) Act 1987(3of 1987)
- The maternity Benefit Act 1961.

- The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act 1971.
- The equal Remuneration Act.
- The marriage law Amendment Bill 2010.

Bills and Acts in 2019 for Empowering Women and Children

- The surrogacy (Regulation) Bill
- The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Act.
- The trans Gender Persons(protection of Rights) Bill

Women Empowerment schemes in INDIA

- Beti Bachao Beti Padho Scheme 22 Jan 2015.
- One stop center scheme 1 April 2015.
- Women Helpline Scheme 1 April 2015.
- Ujjawala Scheme Dec 2007.
- Working women Hostel 1972-73.
- Swadhar Greh Scheme 2002.
- Support to Training and Employment program me for women.1986-87.
- Rajiv Gandhi National crèches scheme for the children of working Mothers. 2006.
- Mahila E- Haat 7 March 2016.
- Nari Shakti puraskar 1999.
- Nirbhaya 2012.
- Mahila Shakti Kendras 2017.
- Rashtriya Mahila Kosh 1993.

Conclusion

Thus as per as the constitution of India is concerned women rights include equality, dignity, and freedom from discrimination. Gender equality is enshrined in the Indian constitution in its preamble, fundamental rights, fundamental duties and directive principles. It is by the constitution of India that we have great women's who made their history and are remember to every time. Women are known to be the symbol of spirituality, strength, love, sacrifice and courage. The role of women in today's world is changing significantly that is why empowerment of women is must in today's world. Women plays great role in motivation like mother of Albert Einstein, Jhansi ki Rani, Razia sultan, Nurjhan, Kalpana chawla, Fatima sheik they motivate us over day to day life. They teach us women can face every difficulty, every challenge if they have a courage. They create a positive energy in our society, they give us lots of way to success, thus because of that people use to read their biography. Empowerment of women for overall development of nation, for national and international development women empowerment is just like a coin with two faces one face is Man and other face is woman. Today we have noticed that for empowerment India is doing more but as compared to world it very less. so for women empowerment the cooperation of citizens is very key element to work together with government improving empowerment of women in the country,

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