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# Roles & Responsibilities of Youth

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## Abstract

*There are many responsibilities of youth. Youth is responsible to build the nation, to make the society good and noble. Youth can improve the community and culture of society. If youth understands his responsibility, a large number of crimes may reduce within one day. In India we need responsible youth. We do not need careless, drunken, indifferent and reckless youth. Because these type of youth weak our country. A responsible youth is better than 100 careless youth. Careless youth do not understand his responsibility. He is not entitled for any credit. Youth's responsibility makes youth perfect if he perform his responsibility. Many people need the help of youth but youth do not care of this and after this so many mishappening is happen on carelessness of youth. Corruption, crime and caste systems are haunting our nation like ghosts. The nation cannot progress unless and until we destroy these evils and this great task of destroying these evils has to be done only by the youth of this nation.*

*“Youth of today will be leaders tomorrow” .....Always remember to youth that purpose is more important than need.*

## Introduction

*“Youth is the joy, the little bird that has broken out of the eggs and is eagerly waiting to spread out its wings in the open sky of freedom and hope.”*

Youth is the spring of life. It is the age of discovery and dreams. India is of largest youth population in the world today. The entire world is eyeing India as a source of technical manpower. They are looking at our youth as a source of talents at low costs for their future super profits. If Indian youth make up their mind and work in close unity with working class people, they can hold the political power in their hands. Indian youth has the power to make our country from developing nation to a developed nation. Is it a dream? No, their dreams take them to stars and galaxies to the far corners of the unknown and some of them like our own Kalpana Chawla pursue their dream, till they realize it and die for it in process.

The youth hopes for a world free of poverty, corruption, unemployment, inequality and exploitation of man by man. A world free of discrimination on the grounds of race, color, language and gender. A world full of creative challenges and opportunities to conquer them.

## Power of Youth

The greatest wealth and strength of any nation is its youth. The future of a nation lies in the hands of its posterity. The quality of its youth determines the kind of future, the nation will have. Therefore, if we want to

ensure a bright future for our country, we first need to strengthen and empower our youth. The youth of any nation and society are its potential energy. They are the powerhouse and storehouse of infinite energy. They are the ones who are the pride of the nation. In fact, we owe our present to the youth of the previous generation who forsook their everything, even their lives for the freedom of their motherland. Who can forget the great sacrifices of Rajguru, Sukhdev, Chandra Shekhar Azad, Bhagat Singh, Bismilla Khan, Vijay Singh Pathik, Mangal Pandey etc who surrendered their everything for their country?

Youth make up about 34% of the total population of the country. This 34% constitutes for the country's future. If we can harness this powerhouse of the nation in the right direction then the country can reach untold heights. All we need is to direct the energy of our youth in constructive channels that lead to development and progress. The creative potential of the younger generation coupled with their zeal, enthusiasm, energy and versatility can work wonders for the country. We need to empower our youth so that they can make a better tomorrow.

The best and the first and foremost way to strengthen our youth are to provide them education. Not just any kind of education, but the right kind of education which makes them scientific, logical, open-minded, self respecting, responsible, honest and patriotic. Without these virtues being developed, our youth cannot walk in the desired way and they will remain in

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a deep slumber of complacency.

### **Responsibilities of Youth**

God has given all powers to youths so that he can perform his duties with effective way and do what God has given order to him. It is the duty of youth that he becomes supporter of nonsupport people. The power of youth should be useful for nation. Thinking of youth must be positive and creative. It is his duty that he leads whole country. After creating the feeling of obeying the duties in the blood of youth, he can do his duty honestly. The time of youth is not just wondering or resting but it is the opportunity, that will come one time in any body's life so if youth take the benefit and do his duty with honesty, then he can create an example in the front of coming new generation. DON'T give excuses for dirty politics, just come to take part and clean this dirty politics and finish the points which are pushing our country back.

The role of youth is of most importance in today's time. It has underplayed itself in field of politics. It should become aspiring entrepreneur rather than mere workers. It can play a vital role in elimination of terrorism. Young participation is important because youth are the country's power. Youth recognize problems and can solve them. Youth are strong forces in social movements. They educate children about their rights. They help other young people attain a higher level of Intellectual ability and to become qualified adults.

### **Here are some key points that today's Youth Should think on it**

- **Value of Time:** It is the responsibility of youths to identify the value of time. Because every moment of youth is very costly. Youth should be punctual for doing every work.
- **Discipline:** It is responsibility of youth to maintain discipline because youth have passion. They misuse their passion by creating indiscipline. With indiscipline we cannot make our country great. So, youth must understand the importance of discipline.
- **Think Before Action:** Youth have stopped thinking, but he should know that this is main responsibility to think before action. With doing this youth can make thoughtful society. They can create original thinking. Thinking is different from cramming. Thinking develops the mind of

society but cramming ceases to be capable of original thinking.

- **Defend The Freedom of Country:** We are the citizens of free India. We got this freedom 62 years back. Countless freedom fighters struggled for achieving it. They sacrificed themselves so that we may hold our head high in respectful manner. It is the responsibility of youths of India to defend this freedom at every cost.
- **Protest Against The Corruption:** In modern India this is the major points and drawback for us, everyone in India is suffering from corruption and terrorism also. This is youth's responsibility to square off these things. They have to take part in politics and remove the corruption and fight with terrorism/terrorist.

### **Responsibility of Youth Towards Nation**

The idea of national development is not achievable without the active participation of the youth in it. National development in point of fact can be perceived as a long relay race. The older generation passes on the baton to the waiting young team. The young have more concurrent dreams, passion and hopes. They are the ones who should be in the first row when the nation is in danger or at risk. Positive roles and responsibilities of youth can help to protect a country national interest, national security and ideological position.

Young people in any country represent the future of that country. They have a vital role to play in the development of the country a duty they must perform. There are many ways that youth can contribute to national development. They can do so by working hard in any field they are involved in, be it the teaching, mechanic, or farming field. Working for one's nation with total devotion and commitment is an obligation for every citizen thus the need to have orientation events for our youth to teach them what national service is all about. However, to ensure the active participation of young people in national development, they need to be supported and encouraged by the government, the private sector, the civil society and their parents. Having said that, it is also essential to note that young people must also believe in themselves; that they can become a big asset both individually and collectively to national development if they work hard. It is true that today's youth are facing many challenges, such as HIV/AIDS, unemployment and drug abuse, but there also exist opportunities to

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gradually overcome some of these challenges. In a situation where opportunities are limited – like nowadays - youth seeking jobs must avoid the habit of pick-and-choose; instead they should learn to take what is available till they get what they want. However, to help our youth get to where they want and enable them become effective contributors to nation-building all hands must be on deck in achieving this objective, as the youth need support and motivation. Also to enhance the participation of youth in national development, they must be given the opportunity to effectively participate in decision-making processes, especially on issues affecting their lives. "Let us acknowledge and celebrate what youth can do to build a safer, more just world. Let us strengthen our efforts to include young people in policies, programmes and decision-making processes that benefit their futures and ours."

### **Responsibilities of Youth Towards Society**

Youth are back bone to the nation. They can change the future of the society with their well being and courageous behavior. They are here to show us that which we have not been willing to look at within ourselves. Unfortunately today we find the youth those who are more interested in other places which are not useful to them as well as nation. They choose to spend their days doing drugs and playing video games. They spend their nights partying and living it up, so to speak. More and more young men of this age group are sitting at home in front of their televisions playing games all day instead of bettering themselves or going to work. They have no vision and if they do have dreams they do not have the drive to make any attempt at achieving them. We must get control of this. We must motivate our youth. We must teach responsibility and goal setting. I fear if we do not we will soon be supporting an entire generation of homeless and needlessly on welfare families. Things have to change, with our schools, with the older generation being good role models, with the older generation being mentors, and with the youth who are right now doing nothing. Those of you are in age of teen, you have a choice. You can allow yourselves to stay your course and do nothing or you can rise above what the cynics around you expect and go get educated or get jobs. Show the older generation they are wrong about you. Let them know you have intelligence and skills. Show yourself what you are made of. You might be surprised at how proud of yourself you become with even the smallest of

accomplishments. I can tell you that nothing can happen if you do not try bad or good. You will not become rich overnight either way but at least if you make an effort, then you have begun your journey to your dreams. Every society faces the healthy impacts of virtues and menace of evil impacts. Amidst all these influences the ones that are affected abundantly are the Youths. Today's youngsters are very receptive in accepting things that are influential to our society. It's very obvious that the ill impacts of social evils are destructing our society and it's the youth who can help us reconstruct the society. This is possible only when the youths realize the difference between virtues and vices. Once they are clear with the concept, in no time we can assure the reconstruction of society. Apart from such realization of his weaknesses a youth also needs to understand his own responsibility as a human and also a citizen. The sooner he accepts his responsibility the better our society can be. The moment his responsibility is clear, gradually he will mould himself with the values of morality that are definitely essential for every individual to lead his entire life on healthy lines. Somewhere we all are connected with this responsibility and its high time we all come together to reconstruct our societies. What happens otherwise is that it automatically effects us first by all means and the effect is so negative and strong that we tend to follow the wrong path – the path of evil and this is what we are not suppose to do. When we are talking about responsibility it's so natural that we being the youth of our country need to change our personality first. Personality includes all characters – sagacity, patience, forbearance, self less service etc. Being the future of our country the betterment lies in our hands and how we propagate the virtues and eradicate the evils from our society. It's not just a single youth's responsibility to construct the society in fact it's the responsibility of every individual whether he be a youth or an elderly person. But the decisive power is in the youths' hand as they are more active and strong to ensure a pivotal role for a better society.

### **Responsibility of Youth Towards Senior Citizens**

Senior citizens have spent the lion's share of their life in their youth. They have gone through umpteen ups and downs in their life. They are rich in oceans of experience and knowledge. Some are still contributing to the nation in one form or the other, while others are in a state of spiritual respite after devoting their precious lifetime to family, society and the nation.

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Senior citizens are beset with a number of problems. The most conspicuous problems are those relating to board, lodging, shelter and medical facilities. Senior citizens often complain that they are not getting fair treatment from their family and society. It may be noted that the government made provision for addressing the woes of senior citizens in the Ninth Plan. Such provision has been enshrined in the current Tenth Plan as well. The Tenth Plan is in its third year, but no significant steps have been taken so far to mitigate their woes. Therefore, it is necessary that top priority be given to addressing the problems of senior citizens so that they can have a comfortable niche in society. Society should harbor a sense of respect towards its senior citizens and of sympathy and service towards those that are powerless and helpless. Man has the instinct to help those who are in trouble. Such instinct has been implanted in the mind of man since the time of creation. Social institutions that take care of senior citizens are important in many ways. They make all arrangements for board and lodging for some helpless and powerless old people as a token of respect and esteem to senior citizens. They promote good feelings and morality through religious worship, speeches, interactions and the like designed to develop and expand a healthy, clean and spiritual environment. They sometimes organize health programmes for the senior citizens. They actively participate in various service-oriented and public awakening programmes. They benefit the nation through the mature experience of old people that contribute to the promotion of the nation, nationality and democracy.

### **Responsibility of Youth Towards Politics**

India is the largest democratic country and the game of politics that is being played is horrendous. Because of this, growth of nation is getting settled; nation is running into danger zone. We hate politics, don't we? We even do not want to touch it, lest enter into it. We think that it is not our work but we don't think twice before criticizing anything related to politics and the current shoddy states of affairs. Metaphorically, stand alongside of the road and shouting about dirty condition but not doing anything to clean it. Is it not the situation of confused Indian youth mentally?

We have the power and capability to run the system in very good condition on the basis of our talent, great will power and understanding. Our country might get advantage of our talent. But problem is that we are not ready to come forward because we think that the daily

life problems related to job and family are more acute than the problem which our society and country is facing.

If we do not want to contribute towards the change then why should we worry about it? Because of such attitude of capable people, incapable people get chance to rule the country. These people are free to do what they want. This give an answer as to why states like UP, Bihar and West Bengal are still backward.

Today's young generation thinks that politics is a very complex and dirty work. But they should think that politics means service to people. How is serving the people a bad work? Now a day's politics has taken a different meaning- corruption and dirty works. As a youth and tomorrow of India, we have to work to bring politics to its original meaning.

### **Today's Youth is India's Future**

We the educated, wise, intelligent youth are made of a different material. We have all the ingredients to be successful- honesty, hardworking ability, dedication. But, we do not have the resolve to put these to good use.

Our society is full of these intelligent, honest but ambiguous and negligent towards nation building process peoples. Hence in this process of society rehabilitation contribution of this large and important section is zero.

Seeing such ambiguous and confused Indian youth, a concern arises in my mind that what will happen of this country. Reason for this concern is –“**Today's youth is India's Tomorrow**”, if this future is so ambiguous and confused then, how can we see the dream of healthy and developed India into reality?

