

From the Start: Girls and Women Education in India

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Introduction

Did you know that education was not given to girls in India? Whatever happened to everyone is created equal? That probably only applies to the United States but that does not mean that girls in India should be excluded. In India mostly boys go to school while girls do not. Everyone should be given an education, not just men and boys. Boys are given an education but girls are forced to stay home and do the household chores. That is unfair and should not be happening.

Giving everyone an education should be the number one priority for our world. Just because girls appear to be fragile does not mean they are. Girls can do anything that boys can do. They should have the right to an education. Education is important in many ways; with an education one can explore the world in ways that further her education. Girls should not be treated differently from boys because of their gender. In India mostly girls are doing the harsh labor. Boys are better thought of and treated like kings. The same goes for women. Men and boys are treated better than girls and women. Boys get educated more often than girls do. Despite their economic background boys get an education while girls in poverty often do not. In order to make things right for girls in India lots of things should be done to help in this cause.

Since Independence in India 60 years ago, girls are getting the education they deserve. This is because the Constitution of India has made it possible for girls to fully receive their education, access to schooling has improved and there has been a upswing in girls' enrollment. (Kumar Rath, 2008, n/a). It was once very difficult to for girls to pursue and education in rural India do to poverty. (CNN.com) Girls and women should get the education they deserve from the start in rural countries; this would lead to better job opportunities, so they can feed their children,

and to better educate themselves.

Better job opportunities

Job opportunities available to women and girls without an education are only those tasks that involve heavy labor. Girls are working more than being schooled. Obviously education is not very important in India but it should be important. Job opportunities consist of working in factories or other industrial jobs. Working in these jobs are hazardous and do not make much money. But someone has to do it and it's left for the girls and women, they have no education so that do not have any opportunities to get jobs in other fields that require a degree such as a doctor or teacher. Jobs like these tend to have a much better salaries then to be working in the factories.

Women and girls are working in harsh conditions because they do not have an education. It's like they have nothing to live for. All they do is work and sometimes they do not get paid anything. Women must support their families. It is low pay but if it's keeping food on the table it's worth it. Females should have the right to an education because it is needed to have a more colorful life. Education leads to better job opportunities and women and girls deserve to get an education because it is essential. People in the United States are receiving an education; girls and women in India should receive an education, too. It is important because it can help an individual climb up the corporate ladder, thus earning them more money.

Men and boys are treated like kings compared to women, they are allowed an education while girls do not get it. It is not right for women to be treated with such disregard, they are humans too, not animals. Women are capable of learning and should be able to. Life working day after day in a factory is no way to live. Most men believe that girls and women should be

working instead of getting an education. (Yuan, 2007, n/a) Their belief was that women were supposed to cook and clean for the men; not to pursue an education. But nowadays an education is very important in order to get a good job as stated before.

To be uneducated is like being a baby. A baby has no knowledge of anything and is fragile. Girls and women are being deprived of what is needed in life, education. Education prepares people for the world ahead of them. The world is a harsh, horrible place without knowledge of the world. Those necessary reasons that keep us going and staying strong. Education is very essential to having a positive life. It enhances one's job opportunities and gives a person more options to choose from when it comes to getting a job. Jobs are better if you have a college education. There are rarely any jobs out there that accept people without any education.

That is why job opportunities will increase if one's education is in the higher range. Everyone in the world should have the right to an education. India is one of the many places that need more education especially in girls and women. Women are left to do the household work while the man of the house does all the outside work; he probably has a decent job. Women should be doing a job that they would like to be doing.

Supporting their families

Women need to have an education in order to widen their job opportunities. By getting a better job they will be able to provide their children with all the necessities that they need. The necessities like water to food; to everything that comes in between because children should not be malnourished. Women can do all they can to make sure their children are happy. By getting a good education they can get a good job that pays well. Making money isn't everything but it's a

big part of someone's everyday life. Working is something that everyone has to do to make a living. A job is needed to pay the bills.

Children can be costly and it's important to provide for them in the best way possible. Also if children are well provided for they can get an education too. Everyone deserves that. No one should live in poverty or be deprived of an education like girls were 60 years ago. That is a very sexist thing to do. Moms should all be well-educated so they can go out into the world and get high-paying jobs. Some believe that men should do all the work, like get educated and find good jobs but the more providing for the family is better. Women should work too. Women were believed to be mentally challenged, incapable of learning. But today has proven that that is not a fact and cannot be justified.

Girls and women have the power to be extraordinary and education is what will lead them there. Families should not live in poverty, it's ugly and disgusting. If both the women and the men are working in the workforce with an education they will have a combined income that would decrease poverty for their family, in most cases. Caring for children is a big part of a mother's life and having a good job adds to that. It's a sad sight to see to have a mother go hungry to provide for the children, the whole family should receive nourishment.

Parents should be able to provide for their children or they should not have children in the first place. But in countries like India it's very likely for girls to get married at the young age of 18. (Altstein, 2008, p.50) So typically a woman has children at a young age as well. Without education they cannot provide for the kids they have. It's very important that girls get an education from the very beginning. It's not guaranteed that life will be easy if one has an education but it increases one's chances of being successful.

Education creates a gateway to another world, a world where one can do things to enhance their life. A mother's income contributes mostly to benefit the household, while men tend to spend their money on outdoor activities such as hunting. So women are the ones to provide for their families. The men contribute in some way too, but it's mostly the women. Providing for children is part of the job as a mother. So it's important for women to have a job, so they can make money to provide for their children. Children make up most of the population and they are the future adults so it's important that they receive the education that their parents did not get.

Better educating themselves

Women in India deserve the right to better educate themselves. By having a good education chances are they will have a much better life. Education available in India is usually just primary education. (Chauhan, 2009, p. 233) If they want to go out into the world and be intelligent then so be it. No one should be stopping them. Education is the key to a meaningful and enjoyable life. With hard work and determination anything is possible. Everyone should bask in the beauty of accomplishing school. The achievements made by one individual can be phenomenal. That's why women and girls should and have every right to an education just as much as boys and men.

Education is very important because it leads people to great opportunities to better themselves. With an education anyone has the power to achieve greatness. Getting an education is a big part of living a hearty life. With an education the world is a person's domain. In order to fully enjoy life one must live life to the fullest and get an education that can improve their life. Education gives you an open mind and helps people to do well in everything they do. The world

needs more educated people to make the world a better place. India is an under-privileged country but there is a possibility to educate women and girls with the help of the United States.

Organizations like UNICEF are helping in the cause to make life better for people in not only India but in other places as well. With the help from the United States foreign countries can get the necessities they need to survive. Education isn't a life or death situation but it helps shape someone's future every day.

Education leads to good jobs and good jobs lead to high income. Having a high income helps strengthen living arrangements. It will lead to a healthy, happy lifestyle that will make living much easier. Educated women do great things in our society. Great things should happen in India as well. Education is the most important accomplishment in a person's life.

Conclusion

It's very important that all people, from men to women, get an education they rightly deserve. Education is something that everyone should get regardless of gender. Girls are more than capable of learning as just as boys are. In some ways girls are more intelligent than boys; it has been scientifically proven that girls mature faster than boys. This is because girls hit puberty before boys do. (Vargas, 2006, p.2) We should step up to help girls and women in foreign countries get an education that they rightfully deserve and need. Education is the key to a better lifestyle. No girl should be left behind in the race to a better education. Girls can do great things too. Who knows? Maybe something incredible will be discovered that would help the entire world. India needs to be educated, education for all in India.

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