Youth Dynamics and the Nation: An Impact of A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's Philosophy

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Abstract

In this article we are to explore “Youth Dynamics and The Nation: an impact of A.P.J. Abdul Kalam’s Philosophy. Indian Nationalism and spiritualism were the basic foundation of his philosophy of education. He laid emphasis on philosophy of humanism, positivism, moral character, mental power, positive thinking and intelligence among the young generation. We know Education is a powerful instrument to achieve these developmental qualities among the people. He expressed his own real experiences, thoughts, struggling evidences in his own books such as ‘Wings of fire’, ‘Ignited minds’ India-2020 to inspire and motivate youths. He has spoken about vision of emerging India in coming years and their glimpses from their personal life about the changing trends in the society and culture. His tremendous struggling mentality with his marvelous success would be tablets of the developments. His scientific thinking and inventions must welcome Youth Dynamics with open heart. His three visions for nation deals with Freedom, Development and Strength.

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Introduction

According to APJ Abdul Kalam “Dreams is not what you see in sleep, dream is the thing which does not let you sleep”. He further said that “All of us do not have equal talent. But, all of us have an equal opportunity to develop our talents”. So his views always inspire us. The good quality education must have the life building, society-making, character building, struggling mentality and assimilation of ideas. This would help to the common people, youth generation to equip themselves for the struggle of life and try to make their dreams comes true.
Kalams Philosophical View
Fearless through, struggle, deep focused on nationalism, spiritualism and serve humanity with peace is the main essence of his philosophy. He wants to make an individual without fear from enemies, face all the challenges boldly, with positive mentality and confidently without any suppression. Kalam said “I do not wish to set myself up as an example to others, but I believe that a few readers may draw inspiration and come to experience that ultimate satisfaction which can only be found in the life of the spirit”. He was the icon of spiritualism to everyone. Kalam has emphasized that all the knowledge which we gets from worldly or spiritual lies embedded in the human mind. It was covered with a veil of darkness and ignorance. Education is a tool to open from the darkness and ignorance, after getting of education, the knowledge will shines out dazzlingly. Self-learning and self-getting knowledge is the real education.

Kalams Philosophy Of Education
According to Kalam Philosophy of education focused on dreaming, hardworking and morality is the best inspiration in character building. The real education according to Kalam is that which prepares the individual for struggle for existence. Education prepares a man for social service, to develop his character and finally makes him with the spirit and courage of a lion. For getting degree is not an education, the proper education must be viewed on the basis of character, mental powers, intelligence and inculcates. He deeply focused on the Self-confidence and self-reliance in the individuals.

Education According To Kalam
Humanism, morality and challenging mentality are the best inspiration for character building. Humanism in the minds of the educator is the real source of his influence upon the growth and expansion of personality and also developmental goal of the nations. Education must help the individual to recognize his cultural heritage and to use it in his struggle of life.”If he could ‘ignite’ young people’s minds there would be an army of project assistants ‘more powerful than thermonuclear energy’, he said. The teacher only motivates and encourages the students to find out the hidden treasure of knowledge that lies dormant within him. He condemned and refused the rote memory education, also failure and negative thinking. He always welcomes everybody with positive thinking.

Aims Of Education According To Kalam
Kalam wanted all-round development of education to heart and mind, to strengthen struggling mentality and national consciousness, to help in the cultivation of strength and energy, nurture the brain and intellect and stir feelings of kindness and sympathy. Education
is a life-long process towards the fullest development of human personality, self-discovery, self-perfection, self-awareness and self-manifestation and energy, self-dependency, self-confidence and self-reliance.

India 2020 Vision

According to Kalam India will become a top develop nations in the world by 2020. Nations consists of people. And with their effort a nation can accomplish all it could ever want. Motivating Indians people, and its youth especially, is the central theme of Ignited minds, which continues the trajectory of thoughts taken up in my earlier to books, “Wings of fire” and “India2020”.

Kalam As Inspiring Legends

APJ Abdul Kalam “the Missile Man of India”, dedicated scientist in DRDO and ISRO, project director of SLV3, developer of the nation’s prestigious AGNI and PRITHVII missiles, the founder of the Advanced Missile Technology Research Centre IMARAT, Scientific advisor of India’s defense minister, the first bachelor president of India from 2002-2007 and the first designer of very light braces for the disabled. Kalam has contributed his part to free the independent India’s struggle from powers which are dominating the other countries of the word with their technological advancement.

The vast majority of the people of India, from every walk of life, have however been mesmerized by the tangible achievements, charisma, simplicity, humanity and dedication that characterized Kalam, and they went on to shower their affection, love and respect on him, irrespective of caste, religion, gender or political persuasion. His autobiography Wings of Fire (1999) became an inspiring national classic. He was honored widely and received the , the highest civilian award in India Bharat Ratnain 1997 when he was still Scientific Adviser to the Defiance Minister. He said” I have chosen to write about this subject of igniting young minds so that India turns into a developed nation by the year 2020 because all thorough my career in the field of technology and its management, I relied on the power and potential of youth. My strength has been my young teams who never let me down. And what satisfaction these was in working with them on some of the most complex projects in some of the most challenging situations, given the freedom to achieve and guided properly, I am convinced the young of India can accomplish for more”.

Always he gives real experience of his challenging life. He has givenan example of his driver. His driver always reads some books, newspapers and journals of substance during his free time. But he meticulously reads every time he saw him That dedication was attracted by Kalam and he also asked him a question? What made him to read during
your leisure time? He replied that he had a son and daughter. They used to ask him lot of questions. The spirit of learning in him, was attracted Kalam, he told him to study formally through the distance education mode. Ultimately he was established as an Assistant Professor in the Government Arts College at Mellor near Madurai, 2010. What a commitment and dedication has helped him to acquire the right skills in his leisure time that has made his career progress and upgrade his livelihood better. The message is, it doesn’t matter who you are if you have a vision and determination to achieve that vision, you will certainly achieve.

“Can you all repeat with me? Dear friends, when I see the thousands of youth assembled here, I would like to discuss with you, what type of India are you going to inherit in next one decade time. If you understand, then certainly every one of you has a role to contribute for the developed India vision 2020. I visualize India in the year 2020 to have the following distinctive competitive profile. Now, let me give my visualization of India during the year 2020.

**Kalams Vision And Dynamics**

According to Kalam we are three vision for India. These are FREEDOM, DEVELOPMENT, and STRENGTH. His first vision was that of FREEDOM “It is this freedom that we must protect and nurture and build on” “If we are not free, no one will respect us.” His 2nd vision was Development “For fifty years we have been a developing Nation” “It is the time to ourselves as a developed Nation. His third vision was that of STRENGTH “Unless India stands up to the world, no one will respect us.” “In this world fear has no place. Only strength respect strength UNO has declared his birth day(15th-Oct.) as “World Students Day”. His one of the famous quotes is “The Dream Is Not What You See in Sleep, Dream Is Which Does Not Let You Sleep”. He always inspires for struggling mentality and he welcomes youths for struggle against obstacles. He always ignites youths for developing nations. He was an inspiring legends, he welcomes youth dynamics with open heart. Yes Sir we marching towards your vision INDIA-2020.

**Distinctive View For The Nation**

Recommendation to the nations to achieve highest positions: 1. A Nation where there is an equitable distribution and adequate access to energy and quality water. 2. A Nation where the rural and urban divide has reduced to a thin line. 3. A Nation where education with value system is not denied to any meritorious candidates because of societal or economic discrimination. 4. A Nation which is the best destination for the most talented scholars, scientists, and investors. 5. A Nation where agriculture, industry and
service sector work together in symphony. 6. A Nation where the best of health care is available to all. 7. A Nation where the governance is responsive, transparent and corruption free. 8. A Nation where poverty has been totally eradicated, illiteracy removed and crimes against women and children are absent and none in the society feels alienated. 9. A Nation that is prosperous, healthy, secure, devoid of terrorism, peaceful and happy and continues with a sustainable growth path. 10. A Nation that is one of the best places to live in and is proud of its leadership.

**Conclusion**

According to him “I believe there is no other profession in the world that is more important to society than that of a teacher”. He became the 11th President of India on 25th July 2002. During his term as President, was popularly known as “The people’s president”. “We should all create a nation that is one of the best places to live in on this earth and which brings smiles to a billion faces”. Kalam discovers that Science and Technological development will help the improvement in the economical status of a country, and conveyed this message through his autobiography. He is well known as for his motionless speeches and interaction with the student community in India. He said “This story will end with me, for I have no belongings in the worldly sense. I have acquired nothing, built nothing, possess nothing—no family, sons, and daughter. I am a well this great land Looking as its millions of boys and girls. To draw from me, The inexhaustible divinity, And spread His grace everywhere, As does the water drawn from a well”

From the analysis of Kalams scheme of education, the uplift of masses is possible only through education. He views on education brings a light of its constructive, practical and comprehensive character. By giving education, he tries to materialize the moral and spiritual welfare and upliftment of humanity, irrespective of caste, creed, nationality or time. By the way of his scheme of education, we can get the strong nation with peace and harmony and without caste and creed. He speaks about their vision about the changing trends in the society and culture. He builds a strong nation for our sake. Kalam show how they are universal in attaining the highest position in nation and he have proved one can leads to height through dedication, hard work and interest. He has spoken about vision of emerging India in coming years and their glimpses from their personal life about the changing trends in the society and culture. Dr. Kalam is an embodiment of Humanity, Simplicity, Modesty, Reality, Spirituality and Honesty.
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