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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

“The earth provides enough to satisfy every man’s need but not of even one man’s greed.....”

- Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

These words of Mahatma Gandhi define the ultimate guiding principle for our sustainable livelihood. Instead of having provisions and mandate as per the preamble of United Nations; 197 militarized sovereign republics of this world have failed to keep their faith to work for the welfare of all creatures of this planet. Instead of having well framed guiding principles of humanitarian governance and societal behavior; almost all government of the world have cheated their population for insuring sustainable peace and prospering livelihood with assurance for their offspring’s. However, elected governments describes themselves as protector of the people residing under their geographical territories; they usually exploit the resources available under geographical boundaries for the sake of welfare of a pocket of people with distorted psychological orientation of favoring family, relatives, caste or class or their respective religion. It has become mandatory for those people who wish to lead the life based on the spiritual principles of truth, love, compassion, and urge for justice to make this planet a better place of living for their offspring to transform their personality as AGENTS OF TRANSFORMATION.

DHARMA PRATISTHAN has established SCHOOL OF APPLIED SPIRITUALITY to avail a platform for “Current Agents of Transformations (Whoever has contributed and led their life on the principle of truth, love, compassion and urge for justice) to inherit this noble heritage to forthcoming generations through active, potential and willing agents of transformations through extensive Personality Transformative Training Program. I would appeal to the personality jewels of contemporary world to create a common platform “SCHOOL OF APPLIED SPIRITUALITY” to make this task a reality. We have organized first batch of training program during 15th to 20th November, 2016 at AGNIYOG ASHRAM, Bhelpa, Gurugram, Haryana (India). This report would give you an outlook to frame, inculcate, share and disseminate your noble vision to bring the concept of VASUDHAIVA KUTUMBAKAM a reality. I would recommend you to review this report to outline and share your noble suggestions to improve this training program into a real transformative training program to develop real AGENTS OF TRANSFORMATIONS.

Warm Wishes;

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I would like to enjoy this opportunity to earn credits for acknowledging valuable contributions and guidance of existing agents of transformations who have donated their life to bring spiritual revolution to bring ideal humanitarian living system in this world based on the philosophy of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (One Earth family)* our respected Swami Agnivesh Ji, eminent Gandhian Activist and our political mentor respected Dr. Ramji Singh, Well known political leader who has opted to bring political transformation based on the principle of applied spirituality after voluntary retirement from Indian Police Services Shri P K Siddhartha, Eminent Scholar of Earth Science and Author Sri Kumar Siddhartha, dedicated human right lawyer and leader of thousands of women activist leading selfless women's movement for protecting rights of millions of vulnerable women in Oddisa Advocate Rutuparna Mohanthy, down to earth social activist Shri Birendra Kumar Soni, Renowned Communication Expert (Formerly with UNICEF) Shri Augustine J Veliath, and Political Gandhian Activists Manohar Manav and Kamlesh Kumar Gupta for sharing their life experiences and implementable practical applicable knowledge to shape the personality of dedicated social workers from Bihar, West Bangal, Odissa, and Maharastra as Agents of Transformation. I would also like to thank Shri Jitendra Bhai for Video Documentation of this training program. Participants of this training program have managed and invested their time and resources to participate in this training program as well as took the oath to remain spiritually proactive in society for socio-political transformation.



This successful training program couldn't been possible without the contribution of Selfless protector of right of victims and General Secretary of Bonded Labour Liberation Front Prof. Sheotaj Singh, dedicated social activist Shri Mahant Bhai Tiwari, Active technical associate Md. Jiyauddin Jawed, Accountant Vishu Paul, Youth leader Shri Dalsingar, Political Journalist Shri Charan Singh, son of soil Ashwani Bhai and Puran Bhai, Santosh, Krishna and Ashok Bhai. I would like to thank them all for making this training program a great success. I won't miss to thank our participants for their attentiveness and consistent participation throughout the training program. We would be happy to see our participants contributing with great efficiency to make this planet a better place for living.

I am feeling happy to share my gratitude to Sudhira Sam for her selfless guidance to improve the quality of this report.

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DHARMA PRATISHTHAN

Dharma Pratisthan is a charitable trust established by eminent social worker Swami Agnivesh on 1979 on 7th December, world renowned jurist and humanist late. justice V. R. Krishnan Iyer was also a trustee till he breathed his last in 2015. Prof. Sheotaj singh is also a trustee.

Dharma Pratisthan was established with the mission and vision to develop the society based on humanitarian principles.

Key objectives of the trust are:

- To organize and hold classes for meditational, devotional, spiritual and cultural attainments and to set up training centers to ensure the achievement of these objectives with a view to promote, raise and improve human health, understanding, conduct and consciousness in all aspects;
- To provide stipends, scholarships, and other facilities for persons interested in these vital subjects with a view to enable them to pursue their studies and investigations in these and allied fields;
- To grant relief by way of giving donations, contributions, gifts, subscriptions, monetary of financial assistance to institutions working for relief on such occasions sick, disabled and poor or needy persons and their organizations and institutions;
- To establish, run, maintain and/or grant financial aid or assistance by way of contributions, subscriptions or donations to charitable institutions of all descriptions;
- To grant relief on the occasion of damage or disasters caused by earthquakes, draught, famine, flood or other calamities of similar nature and to give donations to institutions working for relief on such occasions.
- To establish educational institutions, schools, colleges, vidyapiths, gurukuls, boarding houses, research institutions, laboratories, and workshops to carry out the above objectives and purposes.

Since its inception; Dharma Pratisthan has transformed life of millions of people through transformational public talks, and training camps under the mentorship of Swami Agnivesh Ji and Swami Aryavesh & Prof. Sheotaj Singh.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR AGENTS OF TRANSFORMATION

CONTEXT

Contemporary Global Human Demographics and Biosphere as whole are suffering with consequences of exploitation of natural resources as adversities of Climate Change and Global Warming. Control and consumption of natural resources by a bunch of capitalistic countries and capitalist has spoiled the living conditions of marginalized and poor pupils across the world. In spite of having international organization and regulatory frameworks of United Nations and Sister Concerns; International Community has failed to conserve and protect the rights of common people. Almost all corner of the world is witnessing some form of violation of human right through structural violence. Concepts of Sovereign Militarized Nation States after the era of World War are losing their credibility as welfare state in most of the geographical territory of this planet earth. It has become evident to review and examine the relevance of exiting ideologies and philosophies of political leadership and social action to examine the living condition of all creatures of this planet. Sympathy with humanitarian approach of living has to be adopted and promoted to initiate participatory social transformation to make this planet a better place for living.

BACKGROUND

With the philosophy of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* Socio-Spiritual leader Swami Agnivesh has conceptualized to host a *Five Days Residential Training Program for Agents of Transformation* with heterogeneous background of caste, creed, age and culture from different part of India under the guidance of eminent social and political activist of India during the ***National Level consultation meeting to discuss contemporary world issues and their sustainable solutions*** on October 14, 2016 at the conference hall of *Bonded Labour Liberation Front, 7 – Jantar Mantar, New Delhi – 110 001*. After a series of meeting topics and resource person for training were identified and Structural Framework for Training Program was developed by Management Consultant of Dharma Pratisthan Chandan Kumar Mishra (Enclosed As Annexure). SCHOOL OF APPLIED SPIRITUALITY (Under the Aegis of Dharma Pratisthan) has decided to host the Training Program at AGNIYOG ASHRAM, Bahelpa Villegge, near Damdama Lake, Sohna Road, Gurugram, Haryana during 15th to 20th November, 2016.

AIMS & OBJECTIVES

AIMS:-

To develop a cadre of dedicated social and political activists who follow the philosophy of One World Family and Transform the mode of social action through activities based on humanitarian values.

OBJECTIVES:-

1. To transform the personality of participants spiritually; through intensive residential training on ethical values of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, Truth, Nonviolence, Sympathy, Compassion, Equality & Equal Dignity*.
2. To build a psycho-social foundation of emotional literacy of the social behavior of the participants.
3. To help the participants to understand and experience the essence and values of physical labour.
4. To discuss the fundamental concept of Socialism, Trusteeship Theory of Gandhian Capitalism, Other economy system.
5. Capacity building of participant on Leadership Traits.
6. To develop National Project Implementation Plan (PIP) on contemporary constructive works.
7. To discuss & demonstrate the model of billionaire through agriculture.
8. To orient participants on principles & practices of poverty alleviation.
9. Skill development of participants for using different legal schedules to resolve public grievances.
10. Behavioral Transformation of Participants on the concept of Gender Justice.

11. To discuss in detail about the Strategies, Tools & Methodologies of Nonviolent struggle.
12. Brief Analysis of the Strategies of Nonviolent Struggle used by M K Gandhi & Martin Luther King Jr..
13. To develop national strategy for Qualitative Improvement of the Quality of Education in Respective Area of work without government support.

PROFILE OF THE PARTICIPANTS: -

30 participants from different background have participated in this training program. Students, Social Activists, Coordinators of Civil Society Organizations, Representatives of Voluntary Organizations, Members of Political Parties.

TRAINING METHODOLOGY:-

- Audio-Visual Presentation
- Display
- Demonstration
- Role Play
- Brain Storming Session
- Case Study
- Story Telling
- Group Discussion
- Games

PROFILE OF THE TRAINERS: -

1. **Swami Agnivesh:** Right Livelihood Awardees Social Reformer Swami Agnivesh.
2. **P. K. Siddharth:** Retired Director General of Police Shri P K Siddharth is now National Secretary of a Political Party Bharatiya Suraj Dal.
3. **Dr. Ramji Singh :** Dr. Ramji Singh is a 94 year old eminent Gandhian activist and Political thinker.
4. **Shri K Siddharth :** Shri K Siddhartha is a renowned earth scientist and author of more than 40 books.
5. **Augustine J Veliath :** Mr. Augustine J Veliath is a communication Expert. He also worked with UNICE.
6. **Rutuparna Mohanty :** Mrs. Rutuparna Mohanty is a Women Peace Maker and Human Right Lawyer.
7. **Birendra Soni :** Mr. Birendra Soni is a social worker with wide experience of work at grass root level.
8. **Chandan Kumar Mishra:** Chandan Kumar Mishra is availing Management Consultancy to Dharma Pratisthan. He had trained more than 1200 professionals and 30 thousand students from more than 150 organizations on personal and professional development.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Socio-Cultural-Spiritual Transformation of the Personality of the Participants.
- Improved efficiency & efficacy of work.
- Capacity to transform the Community towards the goal of Sustainable Development and **SURAJ** (Suraj stands for equitable socio-cultural society when every individual has accessibilities of all basic needs and opportunities for sustainable development. It resembles the ideal conditions of development of the most marginalized and privileged person of society as per the guidance of Gandhian Talisman of *Antyodaya*).

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR AGENTS OF TRANSFORMATION

With the course objectives in mind, the program began each day with Agnihotra, meditation and yoga to focus the attention of the participants and to strengthen their spiritual resolve to achieve the aims and objectives of the training course to create a dedicated core group of agents. Swami Agnivesh explained the concept of “Management Science of Agnihotra”

Swami Agnivesh explained about “Management Science of *Agnihotra*.” This science reveals the organization building and management principle with delegation of power and responsibilities. *Agnihotra* is a Vaidik Rituals performed by group of people to attain mental peace and self actualization. In this process a Sage (Brahma) chants Vaidik Mantras in Sanskrit language with a symphonic musical rhythm. Through these Mantras, he shares gratitude of all livings on this planet towards nature for offering all its resources to maintain life on earth. Yajamana (The executive) performs the Hawan (Putting Ghee and dry medicinal plants aesthetically into a specially designed FireStove i.e. *Agnikund*). This act reflects following instructions of the master with firm determination and religiously to attain the target of achieving Satya (Truth), Yash (Fame) and Shree (Wealth) to bring Peace, Prosperity and Justice in this world. Other colleagues facilitate the executive to perform Agnihotra. This reflects the team spirit of collective responsibility and action. Participants of the *Agnihotra* took oath to bring peace in this world.

The reasons for conducting the training course were outlined by Swami Agnivesh who identified divisiveness and hatred as the cause of humanitarian problems of the contemporary world. He also expressed his deep disappointment at international and national organizations, for their failure in carrying out their mandate to uphold human rights and eradicate human rights violations. He urged the participants to use the course to transform their way of thinking so that they would be able to view the solving of the problems of human rights violations in a new and constructive manner. For this to be a reality there had to be a change of heart, a deep commitment, a change of personality. He focused on the School of Applied Spirituality of Dharma Pratisthan and An Outline of Applied Spirituality which explained his thinking regarding human rights and spirituality. He welcomed Ian and Ardy Hulsbergen, from Agni Foundation, Holland, long time friends and supporters of his ideals, as special guests of honour.

Mr Manohar Manav presented the concept paper of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (One Earth Family) and outlined the ideals of Dharma Pratisthan. All participants introduced themselves.

A leadership Film: Mahatmasmi, conceptualized and produced by P.K.Siddhartha was screened. It emphasized the leadership traits of both famous and notorious leaders and gave participants an insight into the characteristics of leadership to adopt or reject. They were able to compare and contrast the leadership of notorious such as Mussolini and Hitler with the leadership of noble people such as Gandhi, Abraham Lincoln, and Mother Theresa in group discussions afterwards.

Mrs Rinku Devi (Woman Leader from Muzaffarpur, Bihar) shared a description of her lifelong struggle. She belongs to a dalit community. She works with women groups and fight against liquor and violence against women. Her husband and in-laws supports her. She is leading a group of 10000 women peace keeping force from Muzaffarpur. She always supports women in need to access basic facilities of health and education, in case of emergency as well as accessing preventive, persuasive and punitive legal support in case of violation of women’s right. She shared her strategy of dealing with stakeholders and government departments during

the course of her service. She had been threatened several times by the accused to not support the victims; but she dares to fight the battle of rights and dignity of women even at the cost of her life.

Champan Dilshaad (Youth leader from the West) described his fight for the rights of farmers in his area. He helps farmers to access support from governmental schemes.

The screening of “Biography of Mahatma Gandhi” helped participants connect with the sentiments of the poor and marginalized and the group discussion that followed enabled them to express what they learned from it.

A session on **Applied Spirituality** by Swami Agnivesh was especially designed to help participants to review about their perception regarding cast, class, sex, religion, nationality, Dharma, & Spirituality and enable them to understand, analyze and develop positive approach to deal with different factors which divide society. Swami Agnivesh Ji shared his childhood and college life story to enable participants to understand the inner-conscience, family based, inter-relations, and inter-societal contradiction and struggle; divisiveness and discrimination created by dogmatic religious rituals, beliefs, superstitions and irrational ideologies to understand different facets of religion, caste, creed and their adverse impact on nurturing community on humanitarian values. Further, participants asked Swami Agnivesh their questions relating to religious practices and perceptions. Swami Ji emphasized the need for establishing a society based on humanitarian principle and equity.

“**Understanding the Burning Global Issues and Geopolitics of the World**” by Shri K Siddhartha helped participants to understand the Geopolitical perspective of different global incidents from different nations’ interests. He also emphasized the mechanics of foreign policy formulation by Government and oriented participants to develop strategies for global to local as well as local to global sequence of intervention and its impact on social development. He discussed burning global issues with geopolitical context of the world on map, i.e. terrorism, war, climate change, South China Sea, One Belt, One Root etc. as well as helped participants to understand the role of international organizations (UN, UNHCR, World Trade Organization etc.) and regional organizations for resolving such issues. He also discussed in brief about the causes, impact and potential of nonviolent and peaceful interventions to resolve these issues.

In Rutuparna Mohanthy’s session on **Gender justice & role of women in nonviolent social movement**, she discussed, in brief, different strategies of community mobilization and leading social movements through a real life video documentation on “Controlling epidemics of *Japanese encephalitis* in Orissa” through a women led movement. She also threw light on the legal aspect of evidence collection and their systematic used to ensure availability of justice to the victim and proper prosecution and punishment to the culprits.

The Bollywood Film “PK” was screened followed by discussion of religious practices and their social relevance. Participants concluded the discussion session with commitment to “Doubt, Debate, Dissent and Discuss” religious practices with perspective of applied spirituality to create an equitable society. In this film, it is explained that, “Every human comes on this earth without any language and any specific identity. Based on the national, religious, caste and economic background of his/her parents; he obtained specific names and identity. One grows practicing the rituals specified by once community. There are different sects and religions in this world and religious leaders claims themselves as the supreme representatives of the god on this earth. There are contradictory practices among all religious groups. Whatever is expressed as good in one sect could be considered as bad by other sect. Usually when People suffering with several problems reaches to any

religious leaders; they trap them into the net of superstitious practices and take donations. Everybody claims that God is one then we need to work collectively to resolve problems of our brothers and sisters rather than killing them on the name of salvation of heaven.

Swami Ji's view on Ethical Values of Living expressed the sentiment that ethical living practices are the only way to transform our personality from selfish beings to selfless agents of transformation. Our educational system has loopholes which lack ancient practices of "Diksha (Ultimate Lesson)"

Swami Ji recalled his college day's incident when one of his friends completed a Chartered Accountancy Degree and started practicing with a firm. He began to emulate the malicious practice of tax avoidance of his employer and was being paid a handsome salary to do so. One day the friend met with *Vepa Shyam Rao (Swami Agnivesh)* who was practicing then as Assistant Professor of Law and Management and in the course of the conversation, he openly shared his experience at work. This touched the curious consciousness of *Vepa Shyam Rao*. He decided to reform this system at mass scale to bring socio-cultural practices of ethical living and to combat corruption. He left his worldly relationships for life as an ascetic Sant of Arya Samaj as Swami Agnivesh. He further recited his experience of emerging as Education Minister of Haryana State from simple ascetic life as well as his experience with the spiritual leader of that time *Maharshi Mahesh Yogi* at Switzerland, UK and USA. Ultimately, he decided to follow the path of "Proactive Applied Social Spirituality" and decided to work for marginalized peoples and victims of exploitation. He decided to follow Love, Truth, Justice and Compassion as guiding principles in his life. Since then, he not only practices this but also helps others to transform their emotional being to do so. He helped participants to develop attitude and approach to issues relating to probity in social life and his problem solving approach to various issues and conflicts faced by him in dealing with society, by sharing his personal life story.

Dr. Ian Hulsbergen and Ardy Hulsbergen from Agni Foundation, Holland also shared their experiences which enriched the session. Dr Ian Hulsbergen emphasized on empathic attitude towards all creatures of this biosphere as guiding principle of our deeds. It will make us sensitive to care for and conserve the environment for sustainable development. Dr *Ardy Hulsbergen* recalled and shared her experience with a tribal community and explained that, "the ethical practices of living have become integral part of their culture. They always follow the law of natural harmony while dealing with their personal or social life."

She shared a *Scientific Case Study of Psychologist to trace the Social Behavior of Monkeys*. Once two monkeys were kept in cages near one another. One monkey was given a stone and other was given an apple to eat. When the monkey observed his friend starving he left the apple uneaten. We need to learn from birds and animals also about the ethical living practices as they consume only what is required for life and don't exploit the resources as most of humans often do. We need to respect and take care of our natural resources. It could be considered a spiritual practice.

We learnt about different ethical values topics during this session.

Ethics and Human Interface: Essence, determinants and consequences of Ethics in human actions; dimensions of ethics; ethics in private and public relationships.

Human Values: – lesson from the lives and teachings of great leaders, reformers and administrators, role of family, society and educational institutions in inculcating values.

Attitude: content, structure, function; its influence and relation with thought and behaviour; moral and political attitudes; social influence and persuasion.

Aptitude and foundational values for life: integrity, impartiality and non-partisanship, objectivity, dedication to public service, empathy, tolerance and compassion towards the weaker sections.

KHETI SE LAKHPATI (Billionaire by Agriculture) a real life documentary prepared by Shri P K Siddhartha, National President of Bharatiya Suraaj Dal, cast farmers from the field who enjoyed fruits of economic development through Scientific Agricultural Practices. After formal CD Launch, the film was screened and followed by discussion with *Shri P K Siddhartha*. Participants learnt about forestry and horticulture.

The session on **Natural Farming for Sustainable Development** was led by *Birendra Kumar Soni* who explained in brief a different model of farming for economic development. Mr. Soni discussed utilizing governmental scheme support for economic advancement. Participants went on transit walk of the Ashram to map the species of plants available in the surrounding area. The local farmers described the changing cropping pattern of the area.

A film screening of “OMG” educated us about the socio-religious dynamics of our society and was followed by a discussion. “OMG-Oh My God is a bollywood film. It explains the practical concept that, “If religious places claims that the donation given in the name of god will take donor from sins and bless them with prosperity. Then, they should also help the victims in the time of natural calamities. Religious Leaders should play the role of regulator of dharma based organized economical structure rather them behaving as the monopolistic authority of all the stakes donated in the faith of god. People should help the needy people of their community in need of emergency. These are the practical approach of applied spirituality.”

Emotional Intelligence. This session was planned with Swami Agnivesh Ji to help participants to develop emotional intelligence to deal with personal and professional issues in day to day life. All participants enquired about their day to day life problems and Swami Agnivesh Ji explained it with reasonable solutions. Further, eminent Gandhian Political Activist Dr. Ramji Singh joined us. In the meanwhile *Shri P K Siddharth; Former DGP of Indian Police Service and presiding national president of Bharatiya Suraaj Dal* explained about the technical aspects of Emotional Intelligence. He explained *IQ and EQ* and helped participants to understand the power of emotion and intelligently managing emotions. He helped participants to understand that, Intelligence couldn't be increased to a greater extent in short span of time but Emotional Quotient could be increased manifold through some catalyst. Intelligence is like navigation system of Rocket and Emotions are like fuels. When we ignite our emotions it helps our intelligence to lead us toward new horizon in our life. We need to learn to manage our emotions intelligently.

Dr. Ramji Singh gave a clear vision about different ideologies during the technical session on **Global Ideologies of Governance & Social Movement**. He explained policies and practices of different governments and nations and discussed in brief Communalism, Marxism, Socialism, Capitalism and Gandhian Ideologies of Trusteeship. Further, participants asked questions related to their political activism. The brain storming session helped participants to understand positive aspects of political activism and promoting good and ethical people to join politics.

An eminent communication expert *Mr. Augustine J Veliath* helped participants to understand the essence of intergenerational communication with ancestors and elders of the community with his lecture on **“Conserving Rural Heritage”**

We had a midterm review of the Training Session and all participants shared their experience and observations. A meeting with **Core Team Members** was scheduled spontaneously to discuss about concept of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (One EarthFamily)*.

Core Team Meeting: - Swami Agnivesh Ji, P K Siddhartha, Dr. Ramji Singh, Rutuparna Mohanty, Manohar Manav, Kamlesh Kumar Gupta, Pancham Bhai, Birendra Soni, Mahant Bhai Tiwari and Chandan Kumar Mishra joined the hour's long discussion on "Seven Basic Questions of Concept of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam as drafted by Swami Agnivesh Ji". We came to the consensus that, "We will follow these principles in our life." We all agreed to develop a cadre of dedicated "Agents of Transformation" and build their capacity for further social action. Everybody realized the need of resource mobilization for forthcoming "Five days Residential Training for Agents of Transformation

A Brief Analysis of the Strategies of Nonviolent Struggle used by Mahatma Gandhi & Martin Luther King Jr. was used by Dr. Ramji Singh's to transform the thinking process of the participants to intervene in community for sustainable development with peaceful and nonviolent methods. We concluded that, "instead of having a lethargic and lazy approach towards problems of our personal life and society, instead of complaining about shortage of resources, we can continue our maiden step towards social change and action for bettering life of the people in our surrounding."

LEADING THE LIFE OF LEGEND was our valedictory session. We received lots of blessings through our Mentors to transform our life and look into the persistent issues of the society with a new and positive perception. We received guidance on a series of topics ranging from Legendary Living Standards (Social/Political/ Public/Civil service values and Ethics in Public administration: Status and problems; ethical concerns and dilemmas in Social life/government and private institutions; laws, rules, regulations and conscience as sources of ethical guidance; accountability and ethical governance; strengthening of ethical and moral values in life/work and governance; ethical issues in international relations and funding; corporate governance; Probity in Personal Life and Governance: Concept of public service; Philosophical basis of governance and probity; Information sharing and transparency in government, Right to Information, Codes of Ethics, Codes of Conduct, Citizen's Charters, work culture, quality of service delivery, utilization of public funds, challenges of corruption through true life experiences of our mentors.

The participants left with a new vision to transform the society to make the world a better place for all living creatures of this earth.

Seven Basic Questions:

Some simple questions we all need to answer for ourselves to embark on the pilgrimage to One God, One Universe, One Human Family.

1. If God is one, why is there inequality among God's Children? Are some people the children of a lesser God?
2. Why should we allow ourselves to be divided in the name of higher or lower caste? Or this God-revealed Religion or that God-revealed religion? Are not the caste, religions or even national boundaries absurd? Man-made?
3. How can we entertain, much less tolerate, inequality in the name of gender or sexual orientation? Is God man, not also woman? And why allow patriarchy to dictate our relations.
4. Is it by God's intention that a child is born to poverty and another to riches? Or is it not because of our flawed, exploitative economic policies? Why shouldn't all children be entitled to equal opportunities for health care and education?
5. If God is all-pervasive, should we not realize God's truth, love, compassion and urge for justice within ourselves individually and not be led by blind faith on any particular book or messenger or avatar?
6. Why should there be any ritualistic, dogmatic religious indoctrination and brain washing of an innocent child by the so called elders? Why should a child be robbed of freedom of religion and the right to make informed choice, rather than be arbitrarily bound with chains of religious servitude?
7. Why kill animals and birds for indulging our taste buds? Why indulge in artificial commercial, industrial breeding and slaughter of birds and animals?

If your answers to the above questions are simple and positive, you are welcome to join this spiritual revolution with all your vigour and commitment to **One God, One Universe and One Human Family- Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam.**

- V.K. will have no Head and no Headquarter. Only each individual's heart- quarter.
- V.K. will be all voluntary, non-violently pro-active and absolutely non-proselytizing.

Let Children and youth lead us into this new brave world of non-discriminations, with focus on God of Equity and God of Justice and myriad culture of diversity to celebrate.

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GLIMPSE OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM



“One Earth Family – Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam is a new social movement that is based on this foundational principle of the oneness of all beings on earth. Its work is carried forward through an Integral Institute - **School of Applied Spirituality** under the Guidance of Swami Agnivesh Ji. **School of Applied Spirituality** seeks to highlight both the beauty and value of the infinite diversity of humanity and nature, and the inherent unity and interconnectedness of all life underlying our diversity. The profound underlying conviction is that only an integrated approach that encompasses the political, economic, ecological, social, legal, cultural and spiritual dimensions and recognizes their interdependence can bring about the transformation required today.”

||Thanks||