Status of Indian Tribal Women

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ABSTRACT

The condition of Indian tribal woman is far more dangerous and serious than it is thought of. It is not less alarming fact that tribes constitute a major portion of our population & moreover our national funds contains a plenty of sum for their progress but still the present situation is that the tribes have not come up from their backward & cut off like styles. You can't use the words like progress for them? One can imagine if such a situation of truth for almost all tribal mass, then what would be the condition of tribal women? Male dominance, social insecurity & deep dark ignorance makes the tribal women's life miserably worst like anything. But the question still remains unanswered that in spite of torching the light of immense funds, candling the flame of education & ventilating the air of reservations for a large period of 68 Years. How actually the tribal people are suffocating in a dark dumb & despaired night, when the bright sum morning will came for them, nobody can answer, the clouds of uncertainty has covered to such an extent in this country. Here it is necessary to emphasize that why and how much essential is to raise the tribal women for the national upliftment. Rather it can be said that tribal women are the most peripheral and most interior unit of this country. Slight rise in their level will obviously yield in a considerable rise in standards of India. There is a famous & old saying that if you are improving a men then you are improving condition of only one person, but if you are improving a women, then you are improving ONE WHOLE FAMILY. It is reality that even today, the women especially Indian women, irrespective of her caste, Religion or area lives for her family & dies for her family. Her whole life spent in working for her father, brother, husband and children. It can be stated that invariably if conditions of tribal women will improve then and then only the tribes will improve & only then, we can be able to see the rays of welfare in the future path of India.

PLANNING & IMPLICATIONS :

When we look in past, after independence, we can see that considerable stress for tribal women's progress is given in our constitution. All the governments till today have given innumerable policies, planning's and perks for this section of society. Even the international agencies and World Bank has been serious since last few decades regarding the worse socioeconomic status of Indian tribal families. It is surprising that when there is presence of provisions, policy & planning with sufficient man & money power then how the results are so differently lower than what is expected clearly the problem lies in implication. When there is a lack of implication, then even the best of provision fails. Policies became hypothetical and planning's remaining dead on papers. Poor implication leads to man & money power to utilize each other and thus results of the whole chain is zero finally.

Implication, as a matter of fact, is not an easygoing and simplified procedure. To define implication, we can say that it is a can hours, well oriented process of scrutinized working performed by skilled workers & utilized by every needed person. It means from this fact that actually implication is the link between source & sink. It is a band which enables the needful mass to propagate in a oriented direction and thereby making their selves a usual part of society. Thus failure of implication of various planning's in case of tribal women is not only due to implicators but also due to utilizers. For the success of implication its both aspects i.e. the workers & utilizers should be equally capable in working & utilizing respectively. Lest, if utilizers are ignorant, there are full chances that workers will utilize and needful will be as they were.

With this brief account on how in case of tribal women failure of implication is responsible for continual degradation, it should be again re-emphasized that factors responsible for this failure also came from tribal women and their own society themselves, we can discuss these factors broadly into following headings :-

a) Geographical factors
b) Political factors
c) Language factors
d) Social inhibition of women
e) Illiteracy
f) Ignorance & non-cooperation in utilizing the various resources

Administrative & management problems
Social tribal problems which lies in the people

Themselves.
PROBLEMS IN IMPLICATION:

The problems which causes administrative & management failures are mainly due to variable situation & variable cultured societies. Most of our tribes are situated in deepest interior where, there is a difficult communication monitoring becomes difficult & time consuming in such societies when physical communication is made possible then linguistic failure, creates problems. Tribes of same districts have entirely different languages which make work more troublesome. The other factor which is even more important is political factor. Political leaders fail to keep a active & sharp eye on the work going on. It is a well established fact that a political leader usually visits a tribal area only at the time of election. After winning the election he keeps himself too busy in other activities known to everyone. This misuse of democracy is sometimes also done by those leaders who originally belong to the same tribe which have elected him. This behavior of public representatives is terribly frightening & will lead to ultimately destructive degradations. To summarize the management failure we can say, worker does not want to work because supervisor doesn't check because officer does not directs because representative is unaware, how can a government expect from workers to work when its own part doesn't want to do so?

But apart from this problem, the principle reason of failure of progress of tribal women lies in the tribal society itself. This fact is not only logical but also scientific. As Newton's III law of motion says, to every action there should be equal & opposite reaction. It implies that if a proper & strong reaction is absent, every action becomes insignificant. The same principle is a naked truth as far as tribal women are concerned. Unless the tribal women know that what they should have to do for raising their socio-economic status, what government wants to do for them, how much money matters are sanctioned for their rise, it is not possible to implicate the plan successfully. It is a well known fact that our whole society is male dominant. And this curse becomes more & more awful when we go in tribes. Deeper we go; more we will see male dominance. It is an astonishing fact that in tribes women are physically very strong moreover they are also working & earning money, i.e. they are not dependent on men for their survival but still as far as social life is concerned men dominates over women. Women's life is so much inhibited that she works in house; she also works outside for money & then scolded brutally by the alcoholic husband. Women must be equally protected from men's such an inhuman torture. The other problem which lies in women of tribes is illiteracy. Lack of education keeps them in a dark blind world in which they don't know what is right for them or what is wrong? What are they? How the world's activities are going on? Due to illiterate personality, in spite of their capable qualities, they used to spend their lives in labour work that too in return of cheapest cost.

Mainly due to illiteracy but also due to social customs, superstition and inhibitions tribal women is invariably ignorant. She does not know anything about the programme which is going on for their own well being & simply refuses to accept them in force of their unhealthy believes. One example of it goes on if we talk with our health workers. They tell us that women don't want to get their children immunized. When a camp is launched in the tribal area for vaccination. Women, just enable their children to run away from that place. They don't want to even listen if you talk about family planning & small family norms. Now this kind of tendency creates a mass failure of whole programme & much harassment with frustration of the worker, who has given to work in tribes. Much before the work is activated, there is a necessity of active education and plenty of motivation of tribal women. This can be done by selecting few intelligent people from them and educating them so that they can convey the whole population in their own way and language. It does not matter how much we want to work, it all goes in vain if they don't want to respond.

CONCLUSION:

To conclude the whole thing, we should realize the extent of problems of tribal women & the fact that how much critical they are for our national progress. The multi functional reasoning for the failure of plans & programmes are basically all interconnected. It you improve one of these factors; others will automatically show positive result for example, if you educate tribal women, they will became more & more aware. In full awareness they will demand for their rights. In other words, they can make whole machinery more competent & efficient. Actually, the whole cycle of implementation works successfully in an oriented direction, is totally complementary to each other but if it violates then it become vicious.

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