

## Contribution of Rabindranath Tagore on Society

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**Abstract:-** Rabindranath Tagore is a bengali poet writer, play writer, novel writer ,Philosopher, painter and social reformer but his activities demand universal appeal. He has a great contribution socially in establishing Visva-Bharati where the superior blend between Indian and Western tradition were successfully done. Rabindranath Tagore provided a numerable contribution to Indian society. He sang the vanity of the nation through the National "Jana gana mana....." He successfully united Indian people and tied them in one ganland as a nation. It is undoubtly true that Rabindranath Tagore has a great importance in people's lives. He is the pioneer of whole bengalines' nay of Indian. His writing and activities encourage and daily chores. Rabindranath Tagore was not confined into mere religious bandages. He belived in communal harmony. There are a lot of evidence of his kindness towards people in his different types of writings. There is a famous drama by hisnamely "Raktokorvy" supports this aspects of the society. He was so forwarded regarding social systems that his deep realisation is, in course of time positively relevant and indispensable for our present society. The creation of Tagore such as novel, short stories, travelogue, essays and so on touched his creative genius. Rabindranath Tagore was his own unique education as a holistic development process where the teachers would play the role of mentors they would guided their students towards intellectual and spiritual upliftment. He was fond of humanism, universalism and truth and beauty. He stressed on free-thinking on education and gave importance on different cultures and religious thoughts. He belived that cultured exchanges could be bridge among the different cultures of the world. He discovered on his own way the deep contribution between human and environment.

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Rabindranath Tagore is a bengali poet, writer, play writer, novel writer, philosopher, painter and social reformer but his activities demand universal appeal. In the early 19<sup>th</sup> Century to 20<sup>th</sup> century he organised newly bengali literature and art nay of Indian art and music. He modernized bengali art with classical forms. We also see the new dimension in his art. Every where it is noticed a new social linguistic impression in his activities such as novel, poetry, drama etc. portrayed the eagerness of heart communication of the cultures. He had a clear conception regarding nationalism. He

always desired a positive and transparent communication among the people with various cultures. It is no doubt that bengali literature enriching the Indian culture and world culture richly revolutionized with the contextual Indian society. He has a great contribution socially in establishing Visva-Vharati where the superior blend between Indian and western traditions were successfully done.

Rabindranath Tagore provided a numerable contribution to Indian society. Indian social aspects as well as political aspect have been richly benefited by his thoughts of mind, the world witnessed India as a land of learned people by the representing his worldwide four aiming cultural, social etc. essence. Indian society learned how to protect self-respect and to live with dignity in society from his literature. He sang the vanity of the nation through the National "jana gana mana....". He successfully united Indian people and tied them in one ganland as a nation. He rose at, his time, Indian people with patriotic feelings among them.

He acquired a real consciousness through his insights which reflected in his poetry, novel, drama etc. He witnessed the zamindari systems in his time in West Bengal as a result he came into close contact to people as well as society and he expressed his distinct opinions regarding society. And this social sequence he enriched himself socially. It is undoubtedly true that Rabindranath Tagore has a great importance in people's lives. The essences of thoughts are deeply connected with the daily social activities. The social reformation also entangled to his thoughts. He is the pioneer of whole bengalies nay of Indians. The unique practices and exercises of Rabindranath Tagore in our socio-economic-political and cultural aspects have been fully blended in people's lifestyles. As a nation India has raised its head and stood on solid soil depending on his ideology. The societies have found out the strength of erectness in front of the world. The people have been able on their own dignities to establish respectfully. His writings and activities encourage our daily chores.

Rabindranath Tagore was not confined into mere religious bondage. He belived in communal harmony. Human beings were the utmost priority to him all the time. He was negatively pierced by the insulting towards human beings. The malignness of society always perforated his heart. He wanted to break down the all types of barriers related to social culture, economic and politicas which form a wall among the people. He wanted to avert impediments which are averse to communal harmony. If he is evaluated from all aspects positively, the ideologolical evaluation should be judged with value.

We have to judge his thoughts on the light positive evaluation. He directed his social thoughts in a different way. We should give highly importance his ideal and socially sensitive emotions. He highlighted transparent social conception of the social system. He witnessed the bengali renaissance from 1861 when the influence of the renaissance prevailing the undivided bengal. And at this era, Raja Rammohan Roy,

Vidyasagar, Bankim Chandra etc. great and wise personalities had forwarded the essence of new thoughts coined from renaissance. These wise persons played vital role in reforming society. They all established remarkable example before the people. They were the pioneer of society. Vidyasagar was son of Brahman family in nineteenth century but he took stern action against cruel Brahman system of the society. He did not care inhuman social corrupted systems by the Brahman in his time. Especially he protested against the women suffering from social distress. He demolished childhood marriage and supported sternly widow marriage. All these evil activities were destroying the society gradually in his time. The positive impression of courageous activities by Vidyasagar had entwined with consciousness of Rabindranath Tagore who conveyed a great respect towards Vidyasagar, Raja Rammohan Roy who were also men at the era to Rabindranath Tagore.

There are a lot of evidences of his kindness towards people in his different types of writings. If his thoughts are analysed well, it is realised easily. According to him relation between kshatriya and general mass was a plain social relation at earlier time but now the relation converted to instrumental relation between the business men and people. He had a weakness towards Zamindar. We can see its pictures in the novel of 'YOGAYOG' and the novel 'GHORE BAIRE' In spite of being a member of zamindar family, he had kept his positive impression of kindness and endless love to society. He was subject lover, liberal and non-communal personality. He was shocked at the capitalistic feelings of the west and its foul impact in the world. The unevenness of this capitalistic society negatively existed his mind and thoughts. He seemed to him that the poverty most of the time was made by the capitalist for their own interests. This is because, when the difference has been taken place, they do not like to mitigate the un-equality of wealth. There is a famous drama by him namely 'RAKTOKORBI' supports this aspect of the society. Till date the present society could not refrain from this social disease. In his time when he has too much suffering from social decay, he went to then Russia. He uttered some words in favour of that nation that Russia had demolished the theocracy and old Rashtra Tantra which tried to absorb the intelligence and the primordial cosmic energy of the citizens. He was assured that the politics of then Russia was not maligned by the profit hungry. He was so forwarded regarding social systems that his deep realisation is, in course of time, positively relevant and indispensable for our present society.

A thought of Rabindranath Tagore is still relevant to the present society. Our society is running indispensable following the essence of his social thoughts. We have seen a transparent image, influxed into his mind, real consciousness of society. He is also expressed distinctly through his short stories, poem, drama, sangeet etc. The more he came into close contact to people the more the expressions and distinct thoughts had been reflected wisely. And in course of time he had been enriched by the

experience of the society but sometime he regretted for not to engulf the essence of the society wholly. He had given importance on society with some distinct circumstance for the development of entire nation. People treated him a social philosopher. His activities helped to eradicate social problems with philosophical touch of thought. He was distressed with undesirable condition of the Hindu widows.

The creations of Rabindranath Tagore such as novel, short stories, travelogue, essays and so on touched his creative genius. The socio-economic systems and socio-political systems influenced him greatly. Not only this but also his philosophical thoughts, educational atmosphere and social thinkings were nodoubt influenced by the society. He has been a great humanist. This sense of humanism was entangled by the creation as well as religious, social and cultural activities. He was too much anxious about the people of society suffering from different aspects. His all sort of well being of man reached to the utmost stage of society. He has been an extraordinary and exceptional personality in the regard of combination among God nature and man. And it is true that in this unique combination there was no inherent tradition. He blended his feelings smoothly. He enjoyed a different type of liberalism and modernity in his society because he was born of aristocratic culture and it had been flourished. At the time of his creations all these seeded expectedly. We can see differences comparing to his contemporaries regarding his poetic genus. He accumulated a lot of experiences on rural region which was his first encounters. He spread his experiences through different novels. He experienced social lives and systems positively when he started their family estates. The natural beauty he witnessed had an influence on his social thoughts. The rural natural beauty attracted him made the mighty river Padma in Bangladesh had great impression on his poetic mind. He hated the social unjust and mental torture towards the poor class by the higher class of the society. He realised clearly that the comparatively lower class was being exploited mercilessly. Rabindra Nath Tagore never supported such kind of social unfair in the system. This experience was undoubtedly a pitiable shocking to him.

Rabindranath Tagore was his own unique education as a holistic development process where the teachers would play the role of mentors. They would guide their students towards intellectual and spiritual upliftment. The incredible social contribution has been leading the present society. He bridge among the different cultures with eagerness of heart for remarkable social communication. He revolutionised education and literature in India. His vision towards social world and literary world enriched our present world. He urged Indian people to pay attention to the ideal social justice and human rights. He had a tendency to condemn the modern civilization affected negatively by politics and commercialization. He also did not advocate the civilization spring up Europe influence. Rabindranath Tagore tressed the foundation unity of an social aspects. The flow of thoughts by Rabindranath Tagore is tied together with the

social reformation of India and with the daily chorus of people of the nation. There is controversy among the people with intelligence regarding, if he can be a pioneer on true sense of Bangalee people. But it has a significance to analyse that the nation is capable to entwine or entangle an intense exercises of Rabindranath Tagore in their lives. The nation will be with the power and strength of leadership towards the world. They find out the way to administer world citizen with the influence of Tagore's philosophical and social thoughts. His ideology is always blended in our daily activities as inspirations. He was never confined in religious barriers. Any sort of social meanness could not dominate him. Human being was the last destination to him. He was never suffering from religious meanness. The vulgarities of human beings always pierced him negatively. He advocated humanity. He established social barriers which defamed the consciousness of human beings.

If we want to discuss Rabindranath Tagore, all sort of idealistics evaluation already belonged to him should be enlisted in consideration. It is really necessary to highlight his social thoughts and their social implementating. The time when Rabindranath Tagore was born, an wave of renaissance began, in this era other great personality like Raja Rammohan Roy, Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay and others established example and gave the then society a new path. Vidyasagar who was protagonist character of nineteenth century, protested vehemently the social unjust by the brahmans. Especially he had done great activity on women society. He demolished the superstism what totally deteriorated women society. Although he was from Brahman family but his activities went against the then Brahman society. And it can not be denied that women education came into the society by dint of his strong and stern intention towards welfare of women. The influence of breaking the all superstism by vidyasagar moved Rabindranath Tagore's consciousness.

Tagore's thinking towards Indian society was way ahead no doubt. It is well known that his social contribution is incomparable. He was master of many business. Among other things, he was a poet, a musician, propounded and furthered estern philosophy. His painting bearing different social impressions has a huge contribution to people's thoughts. His painting are still considered worldwide with positions of importance in museums around the world. His social views can be estimated from a number of his writings. The story by Rabindranath Tagore Chokher Bali explored the sensitivity of relationship between two sections. He touched on themes constantly like adulging, patriasm, child marriage etc. In Maanbhanjan, we can realise that a deserted wife who shunned herself the idea of womanhood, depending on men financially and socially. Besides it, in his other story by name Aparichita, he focused an unreasonable demands of dowry. The main character tried to avert herself on her own way.

It can not be doubted that Vidyasagar was one of the personality of honour to Rabindranath Tagore, Raja Ram mohan Roy was also a wise person to him. The thoughts

of Rammohan Roy impressed Rabindranath. It is found in his poetic creations. He witnessed the west as the land of modern weapons, as land of trading masses. This is because the influence of wisdom lightened the mind and consciousness of Rabindra Nath. He was afraid of segregation Indian people by the blind following of western education, culture and traditions. As he was reared and brought up by a cultural healthy family, he always was supported with practices of wisdom through fair atmosphere. And side by side he himself established as a man of unconquerable excellence and genius thought his unique activities. In his activities there is no collision between his social thoughts and his literary creations, rather than complement to each other. Whatever he coined with cold brain and consciousness, he established them in his unique creations. He was a lover of human beings. We can find it in his different treaties, short stories, novels etc.

Rabindranath Tagore is no doubt a gifted poet who gives us a lot of related to our social lives. His creative activities solidified his journey of life from all aspects. We realised his deep love towards nature, human beings, spirituality. He has a great contribution on education. He spreaded his social view through education establishing a unique in educational institution which later on, become Vivsa-Bharati , a centre of art, literature, dance and music. He blended here Indian philosophies and western philosophies. Tagore's social influence perforated to various ground. He promoted thought of universal harmony artistic expression had a deep influence on all over world. Rabindranath Tagore never supported narrow nationalion. His broader view nationalism helped the struggle for Indian Independence. He was fond of humanism, universalism and truth and beauty. He stressed on free- thinking on education and gave importance on different cultures and religious thoughts. He belived that cultural exchanges could be bridge among the different cultures of the world.

He discovered on his own way the deep connections between human and environment. He encouraged the people to maintain the environmental balance. Except these, he extended views on society and politics. He never advocated colonialism and social injustices. He speeded his awareness towards woman equality in the society. He always shouted against oppression of woman section. His thoughts and views shaped our lives. The society greatly has been inspired by his highly enriched philosophical thoughts. We can learn how to nurture and cherish our human characters which has a vital role to shape our society positively.

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