

INFLUENCE OF SOCIETY ON EDUCATION

Society and education are two inseparable elements in our world. It has always been in talks how education influences the society. The things we are taught and what we learn through our schooling affects the kind of person we are and consequently influences the society as a whole. But seldom do we tackle on society influence on education.

In definition, society is an extended social group having a distinctive cultural and economic organization. The building blocks of society are we human beings. People interact creates the pattern of relationships between individuals and thus characterizes the society according to the systems of customs, values, and laws. Education plays a very important role in moulding the character of an individual. It is one of the concrete sources from which one get information and knowledge. It affects the society.

We can make sense of its effective role from the following points:

1. Preservation and transmission of our social, moral and cultural value:

In Education, through curriculum, students will be acquainted with social, moral and cultural values and teachers make them familiar with values and ideal through different activities, games, story-telling etc. Education makes them familiar with constitution, rules and regulations of citizens and so on. As we find in NPE 1986 major objectives to produce a productive citizen has been fulfilled by education so education preserves our value and make others to imbibe those values.

2. Awakening of social feelings:

Through education individuals become aware about the importance of unity, love, fraternity and other values. Education makes all people get awakened of being a part of society and they can contribute the world as society. People know different values and life skills and thus they develop concern for society including social mindedness, values life skills, learning to be, learning to do, learning to know, learning to live together via different activities story telling dramatization.

3. Political development of society:

Education makes all aware about rights and duties of all, which are their responsibilities and duties so that they can develop their civic sense. Through different lesson of political leaders and stories education develop ideal leadership quality so that in future citizens can lead to state as a society.

4. Economic development of society:

Education develops skills in individual and makes him a productive citizen. Through education everyone learns how to earn money and as per their qualification he gets job or labour and on the whole with the help of education more or less everyone get work and earn money so due to increasing literacy per capita income will increase. As we find government take help in the form of tax and thus our economy develops. Because of education people migrate in other country and their earning helps to develop society, country. Thus education affects the economic development of society.



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5. Social control:

Education makes all aware about customs and duties the same as it makes aware about the rules and regulations as we find the rules in Indian constitution. People know how to preserve their lives via education. They make also familiar with crimes. Thus education provides a guideline and it controls all society.

6. Social changes and reforms:

Education makes individuals perfect and aware about the rights. So it can claim against dwelled superstitions, beliefs which are harmful for them. Through education everyone learn grow to live and to save from difficulty and how to inculcate values and ideals in their lives and ideals in their lives so they can appeal in court having of felling injustice. Education makes all aware about to live peacefully and to face difficulties on their lives .They become aware about the proverbs like *nothing ventured, nothing gained* so they develop their risk taking attitudes via education.

7. Socialization of a child:

Education trains the mind of a child and it teaches him how to inculcate values in his life. It makes the child understand what is society, how he is a part of society, what are his roles in society, how he should behave, how he should interact with others etc. Education helps him to understand and it develops a sense if a social being in him. In short education socializes a child. Thus, education produces productive citizens it helps everyone how to flourish and makes them ideal citizens of society. To sum up, Education influences the society.

Education and Society:

Hence, education must not merely inculcate secularism, realism and liberality in the educed, but must also provide him with the ability to distinguish the right from the wrong. The young people are subject to multiplicity of influences emanating from various sources, and for this reason it is essential that there should be some unity in all this diversity. The absence of such a unity will have disastrous consequences in the form of personality and social disorganization. The first step in this direction is the creation of character, which will grant an adolescent the determination to be guided by his own opinion. It is essential that old and traditional values be explained to the younger generation in the interest of continuity with the older generation but this should not preclude consideration of new values which can lead to progress and development. Education can thus fulfil the needs of society only if it adopts a comprehensive and dynamic curriculum, a dynamic methodology of teaching and dynamic philosophy of education.