

Self- Commitment on 70th Independent Day

Today we are celebrating 70th Independence Day of India as a Nation. Some few had committed before several decades to get the freedom from the slavery and to see that we Indians are given choice.

So friends, what are we committing today for ourselves and for our next generation?

The glory of any Nation is dependent on the mind, spirit, character and attitude of its people its citizen. In this current era of society or economy we are all well aware and told many a time about qualities one should have as a Leader but what about the followers? Are we as a Leader or Follower, committed to contribute our bit for our Nation? Is it just a day of celebration and leave all duties and responsibility for a Great Nation on Political Leaders and on Defense System?

Good Citizen requires two qualities (i) Intellectual skills and (ii) Participatory Skills.

We Indians have great **Intelligent Skills**, as many Indians are heading the world's best organization like Google and many others, however centuries of slavery affected our **Participatory Skills**. We must commit now to participate and not to be a mute spectator.

I am in a profession of corporate legal compliances and in our profession we discuss and demand for our corporate business entrepreneurs for Freedom of Regulations, Freedom of Governance and Freedom from Compliance and we witnessed a long journey from License Raj to Self-Regulated Regime in corporate legal compliances. All this was possible when the profession and business owners became more self-regulated, self-governed, trust worthy, follow systems and process and behaved with responsibility. Similarly, as a citizen if we want Freedom of Speech, Freedom from Crime, Freedom from Harassment , Freedom from Inequality and Freedom from all Constraints (including Potholes on the roads) then we have to be self-regulated, self- governed and a responsible citizen.

Now first time in Indian Political history, we have a Prime Minister, who is like a Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of our Nation. He had allowed a poor country man to dream that we all have potential to become what we choose to become. A tea seller can be PM of world's largest democracy that has awakened us to check our skills, set the goals and ready for the exploration.

We know nothing is free, education comes after lots of hard work in study, wealth comes after lots of hard work in efforts and so the Glory of Nation can be achieved after each citizen put all his hard work and efforts and show his Intellectual Skills and Participatory Skills. Freedom gives you authority and brings lots of responsibility.

To show Participatory Skills means as a Citizen (i) know what is happening around you (ii) take authority and responsibility with choice and (ii) no blame on anyone. We need to be involved in community activities. Robert Bellah has written that one of the keys to the survival of free institute is the relationship between Private and Public life, the way in which citizen DO or NOT TO DO participate in the public sphere. If we are given choice to be self –regulated citizen are

we ready to take following responsibility. Are we ready and committed to be self –disciplined citizen with our checklist ready for TO DO and NOT TO DO action.

Again as a Compliance Professional, I have following checklist of TO DO and NOT TO DO for a better Citizen.

TO DO Checklist

1. First and foremost, to obey the law, rules and regulation as a system and process for betterment of society and to help India to achieve better ranking in Ease of Doing Business;
2. To be united with all human being and nice to each one. To be more giver, as if you do good to others you get it back in multifold, this is law of natural justice, unwritten but take the experience by doing it and then believe ;
3. To keep your surrounding clean, which help human race and next generation;
4. To treat self as a Global Citizen for certain aspect for controlling pollution, bring happiness and well being of society at large;
5. To be committed and care about values and principles of society;
6. To participate in community problem and try to resolve, may be a bit from your side but do it;
7. To be responsible for one's own action and self-disciplines and trust worthy. Even no one is noticing you; you do your part as a most self-governed person;
8. To be organized and accountable as a citizen;
9. To continue doing right till you get satisfied, do not leave any battle for proving goodness and bringing goodness; and lastly
10. To believe and then see after experience, that a small bit of little aid makes a huge difference.

NOT TO DO Checklist

1. Not to undervalue property of Nation;
2. Not to waste any natural resources;
3. Not to create noise pollution by honking your vehicle;
4. Not to carry on or witness any illegal activities;
5. Not to do or allow others to undervalue or make fun of our custom, religion, culture and Nation;
6. Not to do wrong to others as Tit for Tat principle, which is not our culture, we inherit a great spiritual culture and society so maintain that;
7. Not to do anything wrong which comes on character or treated as in the DNA of Indian Citizen, we carry a great responsibility for our next generation;
8. Not to blame anyone for anything as we are also to be blamed;
9. Not to follow wrong deeds as others are doing it; and lastly
10. Not to be a silent spectator and allow things to happen which is not good for nation or planet earth.

In today's time, great successful corporate houses and their mentors believes firmly that Corporate who gets success in stock exchange or in their venture in terms of money, goodwill and value, is for those who had invested in their Human Capital and Human Assets, an Intangible Assets. Similarly, a Great Nation and Glory of the Nation is dependent on its Intangible Assets , its Citizens and their self-regulated attitude.

So Friends, lets vouch and committed to show Participative Skills and show ourselves worthy of the privilege we enjoy as Independent Free Nation.

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