



SECTION A

- 1) Patience is the companion of wisdom.
- 2) Truth of conscience is the fallacy of society
- 3) Manpower without unity is not strength.
- 4) Mind is never a problem, mindset is.

Manpower without unity is not strength

A man had 5 sons and they were living together in his hut. The man was getting old and wanted to leave something for his sons. His sons were always bickering and arguing among themselves. So, the old man asked them to bring some sticks from the forest. He then asked each son to try and break ^{one} ~~the~~ sticks. The sons broke their sticks with ease.

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The old man then bundled the sticks together and asked them to break them. Now the sons, could not break the sticks. The old man then made his sons understand how it is so difficult to break the bundle, yet so easy to break the sticks alone. ✓

However, the major role in this story is not played by the bundle of sticks, but the string that binds them together. The stick symbolises the underlying unity binding the sticks. ✓

The moral of the story is not just that the sons should remain together in cohesion. It is that the

String uniting their minds and ideas should be strong enough to hold them together. ✓

The sons represent manpower. Manpower can be understood as the collective force of people. ✓ Manpower is similar to labour. For the performance of any task, labour is vital. Manpower is what keeps the wheels of the world turning. It is important for any task, company, government. Manpower or labour and capital are two major means of production according to Marxist theory. ✓

The string binding the sticks represent strength of unity. Unity is collective ✓ action. Unity represents plurality. Any action sees different results when committed in singularity or as a union of people.

Unity is a force and is an important tool for achieving any aim.

Manpower working in disconcert, in disunity will not be able to impact as much as people acting in harmony and unity. Although not a sufficient condition, it is a necessary implement. The bundle of sticks, when unified in their determination to reinforce each other and present a collective resistance to breaking, is much more difficult to bend and break.

In the First War of Independence in 1857, there was revolts at multiple locations. However, there was no unifying leadership, nor a unifying agenda. As such, the British were able to stop the rebels in about a year.

On the other hand, the national freedom struggle led by Gandhiji became

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a mass movement with people pitching in from all walks of life - students, peasants, women, soldiers, etc. They put together a more united front against the imperial forces and managed to wrest freedom in 1947.

In the absence of unity, people are just distorted voices. It is vital to bring these voices together and create a rhythm, a crescendo, a force to be reckoned with.

Karl Marx understood the importance of unity. He did not want to instigate people to revolt. He knew that revolution was natural, when class in itself, becomes class for itself. That is when the majority population will realize their exploitation and come together to overthrow the capitalist class. Unity is sui generis - it

generates in itself by the development of collective consciousness. That is why he said — 'Workers of the world unite' ✓

Public servants tasked with public welfare require the unity of their team to implement change — to tackle non-state actors, like mafia. To tackle Left Wing Extremism (LWE) in India, the government is focusing on bringing all affected states on the same platform ✓ to act in concert. Today's agenda is not just cooperative federalism, it is collaborative federalism as well. The recent efforts of PRAGATI meetings, Bhasha Sangam, EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat, etc are programs to bring forth national unity as decreed ✓ in our Preamble. The states and centre

must work together in the development of the country as a whole.

The government has introduced flagship schemes such as Swachh Bharat Mission, Har Ghar Tiranga, Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to bolster this unity.

The government is trying to encourage every Indian citizen to take part in these initiatives.

By connecting them with national pride, the government is trying to use the strength of unity to bring change. It is only by this concerted effort that every village in India became ODF in 2019, since a united effort was missing before.

Unity can be understood as the base for ethics. Ethics is a result of collective consciousness of society. It is through a united conscience that in today's society, there is a greater acceptance of

transgenders, women rights. India is one of the most progressive countries in the case of abortion rights. due to the development of ^{such} ethical standards. The triple talaq bill could not have been passed without enormous public support for women empowerment.

The various developmental programmes of the government require community participation. Involvement of gram Sabha in planning, monitoring of developmental schemes is crucial. There is an increasing encouragement for social audit of schemes by the public at large. India is going through a phase of demographic dividend. Its manpower is on the rise and we will soon become the most populous country in the world. Unless we are able to channel this manpower

towards unified efforts of development, this ~~unity~~ might turn into a demographic disaster.

With the development of technology, and penetration of internet, a huge chunk of population has come online. Social networking has become very popular and connectivity has increased. The role of the internet in rapid dissemination of information is being utilized by governments nowadays. Apart from a forum to debate government policies where the government can see the inclination and issues of the majority population, social media is used to tweet and retweet disaster warnings in force. The role of presenting a united front on social media was best highlighted during the second wave of Covid-19, when cases were at a high and availability of hospital beds was causing alarm.

India's response to Covid-19 has met global applause and its efficiency in tackling the pandemic is a case-study in itself. Only by uniting together people by elements like candle vigils, beating of plates, the government was able to lay focus on the importance of unity in tackling the virus. People adapted to a life of social distancing, abiding by strict behavioral change of wearing masks only by the development of societal policing. People all over the country took it as their responsibility to ensure people adhere to Covid guidelines. This would not have been possible without united action.

At the same time, there are certain ill-effects of a united front. It becomes

difficult to tackle the dissemination of misinformation and fake news proliferating on social media en masse. People might get polarized and it becomes difficult to handle such large sections of population. Riots may happen and is an example of manpower without unity demonstrating strength. But it is strength in a wrong direction. Greater strength is required along with efforts to develop conscience among these people to stop them. It is ~~unity~~ a greater united approach against these anti-state elements that is required to break them.

However, the question arises that if unity in manpower is alone to demonstrate strength? The role of a guiding light in the right direction

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cannot be understated in this regard.
The unity should be used for the benefit of society and not to polarize people for narrow interests.

At the same time, the importance of diversity should be highlighted.

Diversity allows us to invite unique ideas from different world-views. A unified approach should not be confused with a uniform approach. Allowing and respecting diversity helps in the conservation of minority rights and does not let it turn into the tyranny of majority.

'Just like it is unfair to have tyranny of one over all, it is unfair to have tyranny of all over one' ✓

— J.S. Mill.

Our actions should be keeping in mind Gandhiji's talisman - to ensure the benefits of development reaches the least developed people. ✓

Hence, while it is justified that manpower without unity is not strength, it is unity, a clear conscience, leadership and respect for diversity that allows in perfect utilization of strength. This moral lesson for his sons is worth more than any material things the old man could have left behind. ✓

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1. Preamble - Unity, Fraternity.
2. Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat; ~~Vikshit~~ Bharat.
3. Fundamental duties - Unity, Protect Fraternity
4. Integrity as a concept means One whole
5. "Vasudhavi Kutumbakam"
6. Unity with Diversity is the balance one should strive to achieve.
7. Politics when becomes communal, it tries to break down society and make it weak.

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8. Manpower with unity is blessing,
without unity is curse.

9. Essence of democracy is a collective will.

10. Socialist state (DPSP) - A. 39(b) (c)
- equal distribution of resources
- Minimise inequality

11. Unity brings peace, growth, development

12. Ways to achieve unity

↳ Sports.

↳ Yoga.

↳ Education

↳ Redistributive Justice

13. A. 14, A. 19, A. 21.

14. Manpower with unity is Dividend
else a disaster.

15. Role of Media, Judiciary in ensuring
unity
Civil Society

16. Unity (Negative) → Majoritarianism vs. Democratic
debate.

Dissenting voice of
media of civil society
need to coexist with
The goal of Unity

→ Globalised society has different
meaning of unity

→ Liberal world asks for
assent in unity

17. Educational curriculum need to have focus on Unity (Ekta)

18. Ekta aur Akhandta.
(Unity) (Integrity)

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19. Yoga — Unity

20. ~~At~~ Rashtriy Ekta Divas.
↳ 31st Oct, Consolidation.

Manpower without unity

Intro - Bundle of sticks example

Topic → Manpower
→ Unity
→ Strength } correlation

Ex → ~~the~~ National freedom struggle
~~at~~ vis-a-vis 1857

distorted voices

Karl Marx - class in itself
class for itself

Any revolution requires unity Workers of the world unite.

Public servant → unity → change

- fight against non state actors

cooperative X → collaborative federalism

Social upliftment

↳ ethics = collective consciousness

abortion, transgenders,

Social audit

Swachh Bharat Mission

importance of flagship schemes
mission mode schemes

Community participation → social audits

Technology → ~~social networking~~ social networking → dissemination of information, whatsapp

COVID-19 → unified response

adherence to social distancing = unity, not diversity.

Importance of diversity → unique ideas, approaches
conservation of ideologies

Talisman → development to the most underdeveloped

Fit-off

↳ Ill-effects of unity → Fake news, polarization, riots.
greater unity and conscience reqd to fight.

Concl - Unity in diversity