

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF PROSTITUTES FOR SUSTAINABLE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

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Abstract:

"Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of further generations to meet their own needs of future". Sustainable development includes both natural resources and human resources. Therefore, gender equality is important if human beings are to be developed. India cannot develop without gender equality. Because the number of women here is 50%. Unless there is sustainable economic development of women, India cannot have sustainable economic development. Although prostitutes are a part of the society, these women are known as a stigmatized and neglected element. Poverty, unemployment and ignorance are the reasons behind these women entering the prostitution business. Therefore, in this research paper, information is given about the problems of prostitutes and its effect on them and their families. And the legal measures and efforts being made for economic empowerment and rehabilitation of prostitutes are suggested. These policies can lead to economic empowerment and gender equality among them. Which is very essential for sustainable development of India? For this, secondary data have been used for the study of the research paper.

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Introduction:

Prostitution is the oldest profession in the world. Prostitution is non-discriminatory sexual relations for money. It has emotional apathy. Traditions, superstitions, conflict between marriages, family institutions etc. Important factors are responsible. Kingsley Davies proposed in the functional approach (pragmatism) that 'sex workers for many parties, thus reducing the divorce rate. Asia on AIDS estimated in 2011 that there were 10 million women in prostitution and 75 million clients. There are 1100 red light areas in India. Highest number of prostitutes Maharashtra, Delhi, Kolkata, and Karnataka.

In India, 1 out of 4 women enter prostitution voluntarily and 3 women enter prostitution to meet their family and personal needs. Poverty, unemployment and ignorance are the main reasons behind these women entering the prostitution business. It is most shameful that the woman has to sell her body to satisfy the lust of men to earn money as a means of income in the month when Goddess Durga, Adishakti, is worshiped as mother in India. In a country where there is prostitution there is immorality. Many great personalities like Babasaheb Ambedkar, Vitthal Ramji Shinde, Naikkar A.V. Swamy have tried in the past for the rehabilitation and economic empowerment of Devadasis and prostitutes.

Due to poverty, unemployment, as well as easy money, girls are being sold on a large scale. The rate of child prostitution is increasing. Also, through beauty parlour, massage center, dance bar, prostitution business is increasing and drugs, alcohol etc. are being supplied through them. Therefore, the organization of prostitutes and

mafia is increasing. It has increased the crime rate. Because of that, it is necessary to remove prostitutes from this stream and make them financially capable.

Research Objectiv:

- 1) To understand the status of women engaged in prostitution.
- 2) To understand the economic empowerment of prostituted women to remove the poverty of prostituted women.

Research Methods:

Secondary data has been used for the present research. In this, published, unpublished research papers, research thesis, internet websites and magazines, books are used.

Reasons behind getting into prostitution:

Family background, constant stress, parents fighting, traditional mother or sister in prostitution, poverty, unemployment, virgin mothers, orphans, widows, beggar girls and women, women victims of rape or sexual violence, devoted Devadasis, divorced women, women rejected by the family due to pre-marital and extra-marital affairs, illiteracy and ignorance. One has to enter prostitution to meet the needs of oneself and family. Some rural girls are lured into marriage or employment and sold into prostitution in bothal Orphans, widowed divorced women, as well as women whose families have disabled persons, elderly persons, or small children whose family life depends on the woman's income, without education, have to resort to prostitution to earn money. Some women and girls become prostitutes to fulfill their addiction. Some women are also entering prostitution because of laziness, lack of hard work, excessive greed for money, and physical desire. Also, under the name of drug trade, liquor business, dance bar, massage parlour, prostitution business is done secretly and little girls are bought and sold. High class girls, servants, call girl, new prostitutes have emerged to earn quick money.

Problem of prostitutes:

- 1) Gender inequality.
- 2) The problem of marriage between sons and daughters of prostitutes.
- 3) Increase in mental illness and suicide among prostitutes.
- 4) Increase in sexually transmitted diseases and HIV/AIDS.
- 5) Increase in child prostitution.
- 6) Increase in trafficking of girls.
- 7) Increase in crime from prostitution.
- 8) Problems of elderly prostitutes.
- 9) Prostitutes and their child rearing and personality problems.

Impact of Prostitution on Society:

Although prostitutes are rejected by the society, they relate to different men in the society and these prostitutes have different types of customers every day. This includes having physical sex with sick men, married men, young men, teenage students, disabled men, middle-aged and old men, addicted men. Therefore, prostitutes get many infectious diseases, secret diseases, HIV, AIDS, This affects many elements of the society. Because the

men who come in contact with prostitutes are from the society, it affects the family and the society. The family breaks up. The sanctity of the institution of marriage is destroyed.

As narcotics, alcohol, drugs are bought and sold in prostitution, prostitution has become a crime. Therefore, the entire women race is defamed and the human race is defamed. Also, due to the trafficking of little girls, there is an increase in the number of prostitutes and the danger of having an unborn child is increasing. As such unruly children are not brought up well, these children turn to crime.

Laws and measures implemented by the government for prostitutes:

Laws for Prostitutes:

The Bombay Prostitution Prevention Act – 1923.

Suppression of Unethical Trade Act -1930.

Devdasi Prohibition Act-1934.

Prohibition of Immoral Prostitution Act -1956.

Prevention of Prostitution Act -1986.

Maharashtra Devdasi Prevention Act-2005.

Schemes and programs for prostitutes:

Under the Human Rights Self Protection Act, 1923 Women's Commission, State Women's Commission was established and under it, the Ujwala scheme was implemented by the Central Government in 2007 for the safety and rehabilitation of women prostitutes in the trade. Under the Devdasi Rehabilitation Scheme, grants are given to the daughters of Devdasis for education and marriage. Under the Sanjay Gandhi Yojana, Devdasis and old prostitutes are given pension every month.

In Maharashtra, the Women Child Development Policy 2014 has made special provisions for prostitutes. In order to prevent prostitution, nurseries for their children, night hostels, provision of funding and space to NGO's which strengthen employment by providing job training, relaxation of government documents of prostitutes, In order to prevent prostitution, provision of housing for them through Gharkul Yojana, nurseries for their children, night hostels, provision of funding and space to NGO's which strengthen employment by providing job training, relaxation of government documents of prostitutes, Creating savings groups, providing loans. Subsidy for self-employment.

Sustainable development and Economic Empowerment of Prostitutes:

Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of further generations to meet their own needs of future”for sustainable development to be achieved, it is crucial to harmonize three core elements: 1) economic growth 2) social inclusion 3) environmental protection. These elements are interconnected and all are crucial for the well-being of individual and society.

Sustainable economic development is a national initiative. A sustainable development plan identifies the specific needs and untapped opportunities of a city. It is used to lift people out of poverty and create new employment opportunities by improving access to jobs and services.

Sustainable human development includes poverty, security, human rights, gender equality, climate change, environmental protection, etc. Hence there is a need for policy measures that promote pro-poverty economic policies.

In 2015, 193 countries approved the United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. Accordingly, the problem of prostitutes is related to the goal of sustainable development. Alleviation of poverty, eradication of hunger, good health, quality education, gender equality, access to good jobs, clean water and health facilities should be given to prostitutes. Without that, the rehabilitation of the prostitute cannot take place. Therefore, sustainable human development is essential for the economic empowerment of prostituted women.

Conclusion:

It is necessary to bring equality to eradicate poverty for sustainable development in the country. Therefore, prostitutes should be provided with employment and made financially empowered. Until the prostitute becomes economically viable and stops prostitution, there cannot be gender equality in the society. Prostitution is Prosperous India is a big problem in development. Therefore, economic empowerment of women prostitutes is essential for sustainable human development.

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