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3> Modern Slavery: a challenging global Reality

keeping his hand on his forehead, he is really worried as the rains that he had so much hopes from betrayed him again.

Two of his daughters have come of age and both his aged parents can hardly work in the fields. His friend suggests that he might get work in urban area and so as a last option he decides to migrate.

Finally, he gets a job in urban area. But, life has new challenges. He has to work for 12-15 hours a day and there are no weekends. The food and residence is pathetic and he cannot afford a good residence as his dependants in his village are waiting for him to send money.

This is Amind, a responsible father, son and a responsible farmer. But, conditions brought him to where he stands today. And, he is not alone. There are many Aminds globally who face the same condition's every single day and there is no solution for them.

Today, through this essay, we focus on the detailed aspects of Modern slavery and find out what it is, how it can be mitigated so that our many Aminds live a life of dignity over regret. So, to begin with, let us first address the fundamentals of our essay theme and then move ahead. So, let's begin!

Meaning : Modern Slavery.

World Bank defines Modern Slavery in these simple words, "A Form of work which is low skilled, paid meagre wages and continues as a never ending vicious cycle is Modern Slavery."

Arvind that we referred to is one such example here - who works for meagre wages and is low skilled. According to World Bank, this Modern Slavery is not region specific, thus it becomes a challenge to modern world.

Idanig discussed the fundamentals, let us move to the "Genesis" of Modern Slavery and find out why our many Arvind's have to go through what they are going through.

Genesis : Modern Slavery

The foremost reason for Modern Slavery globally is Overdependence on agriculture. India alone has 49% of its population in agriculture. But, most of it is "Disguised unemployment" that has "Zero Real Wages".

Coupled to Agriculture Overdependence is problem of low technology infusion. In India, an average of just 1.08 Ha land is available per person. This fragmentation further creates unsustainable agriculture.

The over-dependence and low technology infusion makes agriculture a nightmare for many. Near Zero wages in agriculture prompts people to migrate to urban areas that has its own challenges.

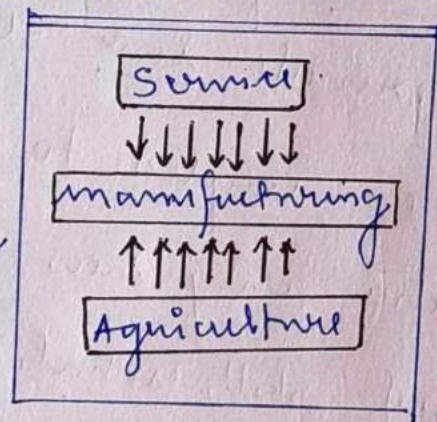
Migrants from agriculture are absorbed in manufacturing sector. India particularly has seen a process of "Premature deindustrialization" coupled to "market failure" - where even if there is demand for high skill market will only provide low skill people.

This alone is coupled to low skill, as an example, India only has 2.5% population as certified skill, which severely curbs the bargaining power in wages of people. And, on top of it is "No Social Security" for people.

These are the perfect conditions to harbour "Modern Slavery" and thus the global community is in a fix about it. But, there is one more reason that we need to address.

The Service Sector, which is a high skill, high technology sector that further creates pressure and brings reverse migration from service to manufacturing and this creates double burden on manufacturing.

→ Pressure on Manufacturing Sector



→ Perfect Conditions for Modern Slavery.

Thus, we can see - it is a collective failure of agriculture, manufacturing and Service Sector globally that has created modern slavery.

Moving ahead from Genesis let us find out, why Modern Slavery is a challenging global reality.

Modern Slavery: a challenging Global Reality

First and foremost challenge is the challenge of "Migration Pressure". USA, UK and others have witnessed huge migration. This has created exploitation of man by man.

coupled to Migration is the problem of health security, food security and Job security. India alone has 455 million internal migrants and there are 23 million who have no houses; 25% population lives in poverty and Modern slavery nothing but only aggravates the same.

A Simple Labour Economics

Survey says "more Demand", "less Supply" means guaranteed exploitation. This is what is challenging the Nations across globe. To

ensure everyone their fundamental Right is the mandate of global leaders and not being able to provide it is their "helplessness".

And so today we assist the globe to come out of the challenges of Modern Slavery and ensure dignified lives to all.

Solutions to challenges of Modern Slavery.

The primary target is Agriculture. Globally there has been improvements. India too has a plan to bring land pooling, 10,000 FPO by 2022 amongst other plans.

But, these measures are not adequate. we need to bring Artificial Intelligence in agriculture that will enable us to have precision agriculture, climate resilient Agriculture (FAO) and above all a sustainable agriculture.

To aid to Agriculture is the concept of Agriculture diversification and focus on livelihood through Animal husbandry. This will enable farmers to have a climate resilient income and thus prevent migration and hault Modern Slavery.

Our Second target is - Linking Education to A Industries. This Industry - Academic linkage ensures quality pay, quality conditions of service and prevents Modern Slavery. India has focused on linking IIT's to top class industries for same

Third, and equally important is social security to unorganized workers. California has given "gig worker" employee status, so now they have social security.

In India, Supreme Court in Olga Tis case had said that Right against forced labour (Art-23) is right to livelihood. India and globe need to replicate California and our Supreme Court ruling.

And lastly, global challenges need global solutions". The Leaders of today have to come together to ensure social security to all workers and prevent any monopoly of any sector over humans. We need to tackle the modern slavery concept on War Footing. Civil society can aid their efforts.

And as a Conclusion, our Arvind's globally look at us with hope and we need to assure them of dignity, of wage and of social security. our

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Global Community tackled corona-19 together,
modem slavery is one such virus that we
in unison can and must end it as
together we are one big family "vasudhaiva
kutumbakam"

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6) Smart power is neither hard nor soft.

It is both.

India has historically been a land of peace and tolerance. From preaching "Dhamma" to the globe to being the largest contributor of UN Peace Keeping force, from being a mediator in Korean War to helping over 100 countries through "Vaccine Maitri", India has upheld its principles.

The same Nation was the cause of liberation of Bangladesh in 1971 from Pakistan and it is also the Nation to have avenged the sacrifice of its martyrs in 1965, 1999 (Kargil) and most recently the surgical strikes that was an eye opener for many Nations.

India has proved, it will keep spreading love, peace, tolerance to all Nations, but at no cost will that mean compromising the "Concept of India" and it's sovereignty. It can prove to be a Nightmare for it's opponents.

This is the ability of a "Smart Nation" to use smart power to deal with Nations and thus achieve it's interest.

In this essay, we emphasize more on why Smart Power is the way ahead for global Problems and also why just hard or soft Power will not serve our purpose. But, before we begin - we start with basics of this essay theme.

Meaning - Smart Power, Soft Power and Hard Power.

Hard Power simply means use of brute force to overcome challenges. Such as - use of Nuclear weapons or war to end a crisis.

Soft Power is the use of dialogues and communication at all times to end a conflict of any scale. It does not rely on force to counter a global challenge.

Smart Power relies on the concept of "Madhyam-marg" and balances both soft and hard power as we saw in India's case. Moving ahead we focus on why Just hard power or smart power cannot be of help in current scenario.

Challenges to Just hard or Soft Power.

Hard Power has serious limitations. It causes huge loss to lives and property and damages the global social fabric.

USA used Nuclear Bombs over Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the repercussions are witnessed even today in Japan. Similarly, North Korea has been following the same path. But, hard power only escalates any issue and not stop it.

Similarly soft power has its own challenges. These powers are constantly vulnerable to security threats and they are helpless. Just use of soft power reduces the

bargaining power of a Nation. Recent example is climate change, where soft powers are most superior but still are not able to bring collective action on climate change.

So, it is but evitable that a "Smart Power" reliance is the best course of actions in current scenario. Moving ahead we deal with some recent examples of smart power use.

Smart Power - some examples

It is said "The USA does not loose war, it only loses interest". This seems to be very apt when it comes to USA withdrawal from Afghanistan. The USA fought for 2 decades with Taliban and

when its interest ended it withdrew troops.
USA is a smart power as it knows to balance
hard and soft power.

Another equally important example
is Israel. Israel has been fighting war
for over seven decades with its neighbours.
But recently, it signed Abraham Accord
with UAE to bring peace and end war.
Israel knows to balance power like USA.

And another example is our
Neighbourhood China. Though a strong
competitor it is important to acknowledge
China's diplomacy. It follows a wolf
warrior diplomacy when in South China Sea
and brings in soft power when it comes to
BR1 project. Thus, like USA, Israel, India

China knows to balance its powers and achieve results.

Having emphasized on some best examples it is time to focus on how Smart Power can solve some common global challenges.

Smart Power - a solution to global challenges

The Primary use can be to tackle problem of migration, refugees from countries like Afghanistan. Through Smart Power, countries need to act in unison against Taliban, Myanmar Junta to stop crimes against humanity and equally all Nations should uphold Principle of Non Refinement to protect refugees, migrants.

Equally important to refugees is the problem of climate change. Countries need to act against Violators in unison and at the same time funding from developed nations (\$100 Bn - Paris) can ensure efforts to climate change are supplemented.

Additional to climate change is the issue of Cyber Security. Nations like Israel (NSO group), Russia have been at forefront in this. India alone has intruded 316 lakh cyber breaches in last 18 months (Ministry of Home Affairs). Thus, a strong action in terms of sanctions on Violators and at the same time upholding "Budapest Convention" on Cyber Security is the need.

Sampled to above problems are some social problems of crimes against women, modern slavery amongst others. Nations need to use hard power for violators like Taliban - to ensure it brings a inclusive government; Transnational Companies like Facebook to ensure it takes steps to address modern slavery and at same time use soft power to bring "Global law on Social Safety"

And finally as a Conclusion, it is well established that SMART POWER is the approach for 21st Century. India, USA and others have adopted it for safeguarding their interest. What is important is to use "Smart Power" to

tackle global challenges in unison. A Sovereign is responsible to its people but equally responsible towards safeguarding any breach in human dignity anywhere. Thus, Smart Power is neither hard nor soft it is both.

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