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Theme

Every nation wants to live a happy and prosperous life according to its own nature and that is the motive behind its intense desire for freedom. The nation that tries to follow a path of thought and action discordant with its own nature, meets with disaster. This is the reason why our nation have been caught up in a whirlpool of difficulties.

After the departure of the British it was natural that their influence on politics, social thinking and ideals in life should have gradually disappeared. But actually we find that the influence is on the increase. We are proud to speak their language, respect their manners and dress like them. Not only this but we keep as models before us their social science, their ideals of morality and their political ideas. Vedas, Upanishads, Geeta and Puranas are set aside and we look up to what Mill, Hegel, Adam Smith, Marx and Engels say.

In the context of above situation Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay propounded a philosophy in the light of ancient thought of Bharat and named it 'Integral Humanism'. On the basis of Integral Humanism he wanted refinement of over all system of nation. The core idea of Integral Humanism is that while humanity and the entire animate and inanimate nature around man are full of almost infinite diversity; it all has got a common **Atma**. The diversity is superficial. Because of the common Atma, all things naturally are cooperative and complementary. This is expressed by the word **Ekatmata**.

Hence, it is must, along with the material development we have to consider the moral and spiritual development also. Because man is a conglomerate of body, mind, intellect and soul. Therefore, we must think of the well-being and development of all these four cosistently with the well-being and progress of the society. With above view, Bharatiya culture has placed four objectives before every individual. These objectives are known as **Purusarthas**. The four Purusharthas are **Dharma** (moral duties and divine laws), **Artha** (wealth), **Kama** (desire) and **Moksha** (complete liberation and salvation).

Not only individual but society also has its body, mind, intellect and soul and it also has its four purushartha (objectives) in its life. But since the individual and the society are Ekatma, there is no conflict in their interests; they are mutually complementry.

Any system, in which an individual is considered only as part of a large heartless machine or at the other extreme regards an individual as a self-centred man who does not care for the society, is a defective system. Similarly, any system, which takes into account only one or two out of the four (body-mind-intellect-soul) needs of man, is also an imperfect system.

Today, not only our nation but whole the world faces many conflict between individual and society. In this situation it is very important to us that we modify our systems according to the nature of our country. To explore the possibility for reconstruction of nation in the light of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay's Integral thought, Arundhati Vashishth Anusandhan Peeth invites policy research-paper from scholars of all areas, including economic, political, legal, administrative, educational, agricultural etc. The optimal best paper will be awarded by "Arundhati Vashishth National Award"

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