**Adult Education**

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The smooth functioning of the democratic government and other such institutions suffer to a great extent because of India’s backwardness in education. Most of the people are not conscious of their rights and duties because of the lack of proper education and awareness. It is with the educated and enlightened people alone that the country can progress in all directions in our country, adult illiteracy poses a serious problem and hence the need of adult education.

Indian economy mainly depends on agriculture. The working class constitutes a great part of it. Most parents of this class of people are in favour of sending their children to school. Even when they come to school, they become dropouts and help their parents in tending cattle and doing many other works to add to family income. Sometimes, illiterate, unemployed people run to the towns and cities to work as labourers in industries and factories. They do not like to go back to their villages to get skilled in various ancestral trades and professions and work for a living, this is due to lack of education, learning and proper consciousness. When they are educated they can take an active part in the development of their country side in various fields and ensure the progress of their country. In India many adult people are illiterate, they cannot read or write they are not able to develop their sense of awareness of many things that would help them in life. With a view to marking those people literate, emphasis has been put on adult education.

Night schools are being organised in the slum areas in towns and cities in underdeveloped rural areas. Vigorous campaigns are launched to make the illiterate adults realise their aim in life.

The illiterate adults should be responsible citizens in a democracy. An illiterate performs his duties properly. It is not enough to enable them to read and write, they must know what they are expected to do as citizens of this great country. There should be continuous post literary program