



THE MOTHER ON TRUE EDUCATION & RIGHT ATTITUDE OF THE TEACHER



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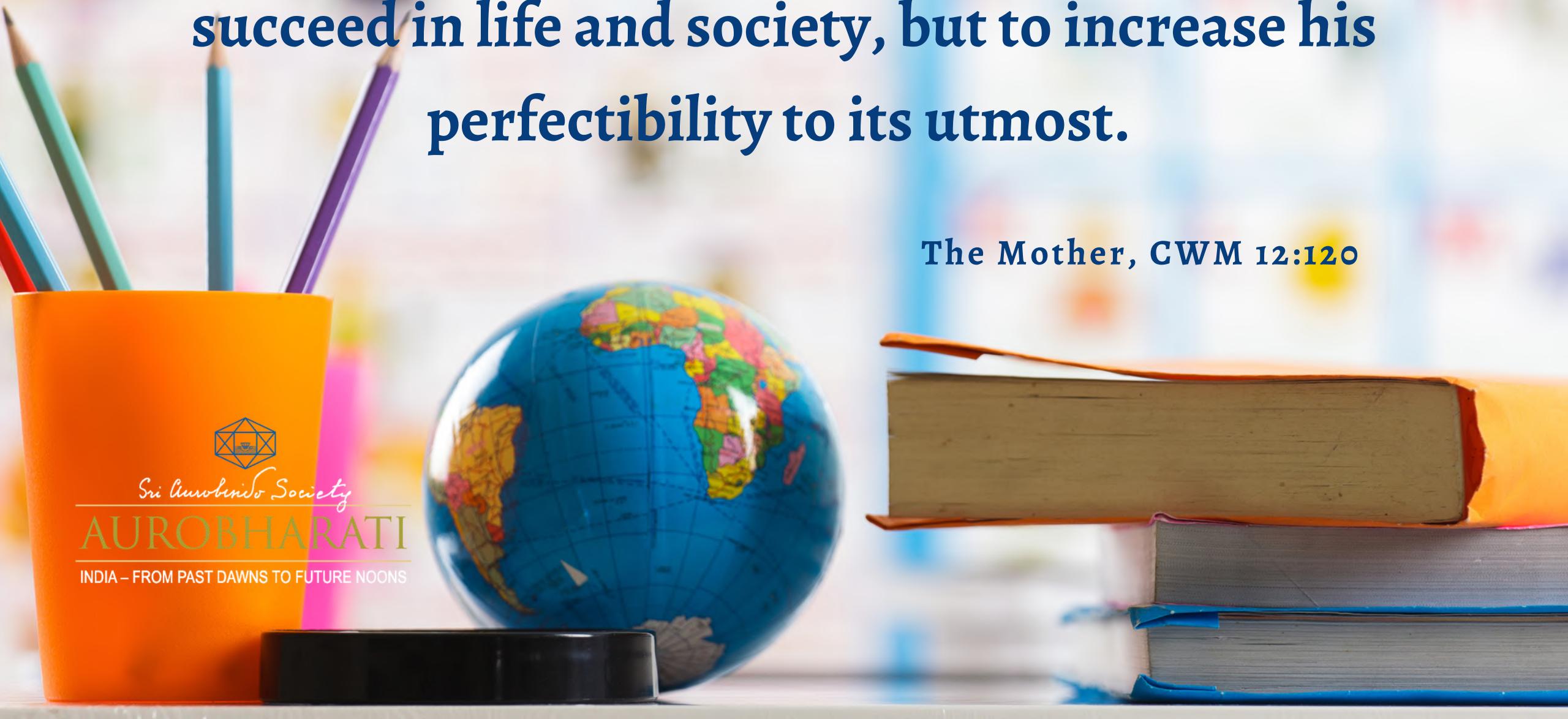
**EDUCATION IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE BEST
MEANS OF PREPARING THE CONSCIOUSNESS
FOR A HIGHER DEVELOPMENT.**

The Mother, CWM, 7: 58

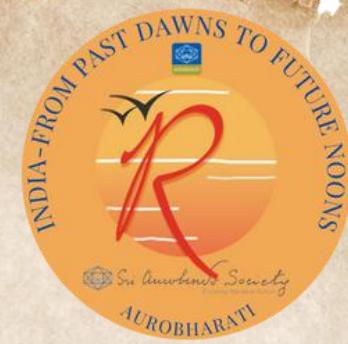
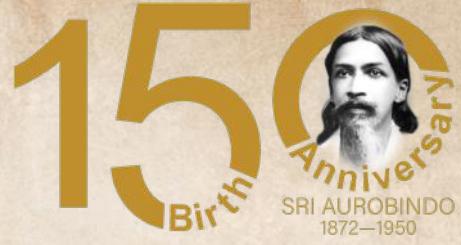


The aim of education is not to prepare a man to succeed in life and society, but to increase his perfectibility to its utmost.

The Mother, CWM 12:120



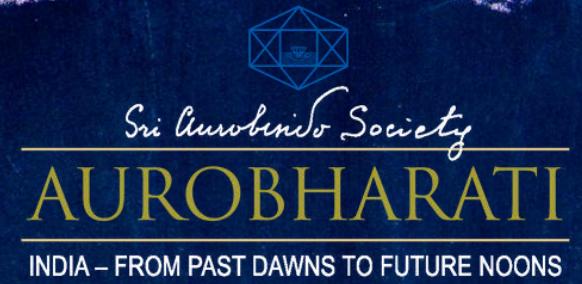
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*... to know oneself is not enough:
this knowledge must bring
a conscious control.*

The Mother, CWM, 4: 34





School is just a preparation to make the students capable of thinking, studying, progressing and becoming intelligent if they can—all that must be done during the *entire life* and not only in school.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 177)



To understand the true reason why you are here,
you must remember that we want to become instruments
that are as perfect as possible, instruments that express
the divine will in the world.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 73)



... to know things from the earth's past can be very interesting and very useful, but it must not be something that binds you or ties you to the past. If it is used as a spring-board, it is all right.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 404)





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... the true way of knowing
is mental silence, an
attentive silence turned
towards the truer
Consciousness, and the
capacity to receive what
comes from there.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 404)



The school should be an opportunity for progress for the teacher as well as for the student. Each one should have the freedom to develop freely.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 168)



The children
must be
educated in an
atmosphere of
love and
gentleness.

The Mother, CWM, 12: 194



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Do not aim at success. Our aim is perfection. Remember you are on the threshold of it a new world, participating in its birth and instrumental in its creation. There is nothing more important than the transformation. There is no interest more worth-while.

The Mother, CWM 12:120



Q: What illusions and delusions is our education today beset with? How could we possibly keep clear of them?

THE MOTHER'S ANSWER

- a) The almost exclusive importance given to success, career and money.**
- b) Insist on the paramount importance of the contact with the Spirit and the growth and manifestation of the Truth of the being.**

The Mother, CWM, 12: 251



India has or rather had the knowledge of the Spirit, but she neglected matter and suffered for it.

The West has the knowledge of matter but rejected the Spirit and suffers badly for it.

An integral education which could, with some variations, be adapted to all the nations of the world, must bring back the legitimate authority of the Spirit over a matter fully developed and utilised.

The Mother, CWM, 12: 194



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*How to give education its inner
worth and intrinsic enjoyability?*

THE MOTHER'S ANSWER

**Get out of conventions and
insist on the growth of the soul.**

~ The Mother, CWM, 12: 251



The attitude of the teacher must be one of a constant will to progress, not only in order to know always better what he wants to teach the students, but above all in order to be a living example to show them what they can become...

THE TEACHER SHOULD BE THE LIVING EXAMPLE OF WHAT HE ASKS THE STUDENTS TO BECOME.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 405)





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**The most important is to
master yourself and never
lose your temper.**

**If you don't have control
over yourself, how can you
expect to control others,
above all, children, who
feel it immediately when
someone is not
master of himself?**

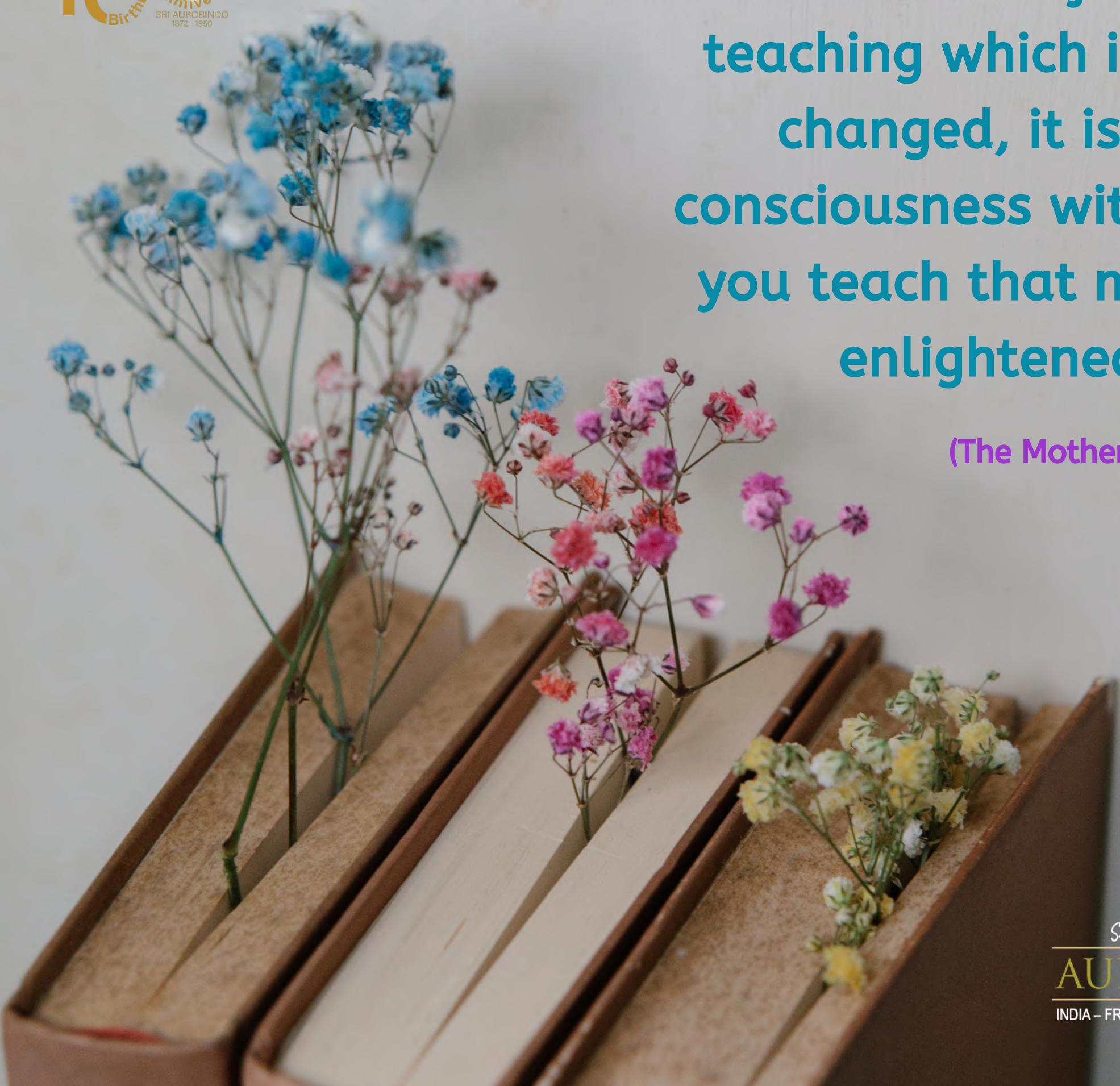


(The Mother, CWM, 12:195)



It is not the subject of the teaching which is to be changed, it is the consciousness with which you teach that must be enlightened.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 174)



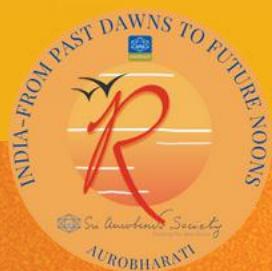
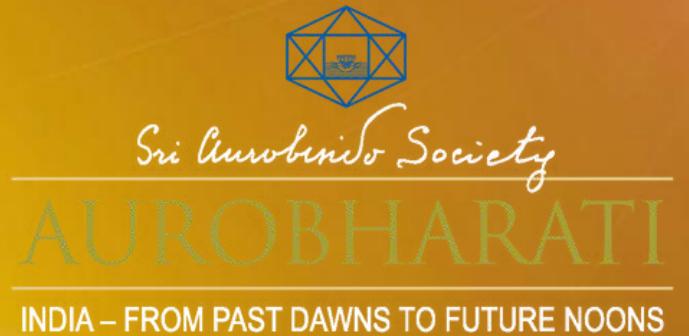


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*... teach the
children to take
interest in what
they are doing –
that is not the
same thing as
interesting the
students!*

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 170)



Never forget that to be a good teacher
one has to abolish in oneself all egoism.

(The Mother, CWM, 12: 167)

