

PROJECT: GENDER INEQUALITY

Project Aim: To help build a gender unbiased society and give equal rights and opportunities to both males and females

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What Made Us Choose This Topic?

We members of equality makers group choose the topic with shared belief regarding the prevalent inequalities being experienced among different economic section of the society, even in the present 21st century. Some of the common norms of the society makes it difficult to strike a balance between both the genders. Despite the negative impact of these societal norms, why has the society continued to practice them. We questioned ourselves about how much discrimination over powers the present society where education also has an important role to play.



Background

We started off our research on the topic by referring to various books from our library. The books ranged from biographies to book celebrating important women in our society. The book on Malala's experience about her struggle for girl education inspired each one of us. She was a young girl when she was shot by the extremist but continued to fight against the injustice happening with her. We all discussed about the books that we were using in our research and could understand that gender inequality has been there since forever. Although there have been men who have ever since supported the women in gaining their rights.

Bridging The Gender Gap

With the regular discussions with our mentors as a group. We decided to approach people in our immediate surrounding. We planned to understand the current opinions of people from both the genders on the topic. We carried out short online surveys, conducted brief interviews and organized guest speaker sessions. The professionals working in the field of gender inequality for quite some time were able to share their valuable experience with us and introduced us to gender dream gap, difference between common gender stereotypes and more. Inequality between genders exists on various areas such as in distribution of salaries, professional choices, education, societal norms, political and financial sectors. The gender pay gap has given rise to gender inequality. Both the genders face inequality in many ways, hence we can't say that only one gender is suppressed.

Our Global Picture

We see the global community free from gender inequality and looking opportunities through an unbiased gender lens. We as global citizens wish for opportunities for althrough the world in which harmony and peace exists, and we are the change makers in order to achieve it.

Impact On the Immediate Society

The practical actions taken included organizing puppet show, creating flyers, conducted campaign for the low level staff in school. It helped us in building connection with the real situation and people but also helped to promote our actions to a larger audience. The family, friends and neighborhood were sensitized to break the stereotypes and build equity among genders. We were also able to bring a shift in the mindset of people with whom we interacted.

Our Continuous Plan

We are still working on this issue, through our regular talks in family, neighborhood and at public places we visit. Spreading the word, is the best tool to spread awareness. Through our classes after school, like drama we are working on street plays on our issue so that it again can have a larger reach and larger impact. We have also decided to volunteer with the NGO who came as our guest speaker and are working in the field of equal gender rights.

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