

What if All the developed countries had Women as Their Heads?

Outline:

- I. Introductory remarks: Jacinda Ardern's leadership as a showcase of how leadership of women is essential.
- II. Thesis statement: If women become the heads of developed countries, they would bring significant positive changes, such as promotion of preventive diplomacy, more peace treaties and meaningful negotiations and more social welfare programs.
- III. Women-led developed countries as a catalyst for positive changes:
 - A. Promotion of peace and harmony in the world.
 - B. More meaningful dialogues and conclusion of peace treaties.
 - C. Attainment of much-cherished dream of gender equality.
 - D. Improved working of the United Nations and other organizations.
 - E. Reduced violence and wars.

F. lesser population growth.

G. more pragmatic approach to climate change.

I. launching of social welfare program.

IV. Challenges for women to be the head of developed countries:

A. Patriarchal mind-set

B. Biased media representation of women.

C. Social taboos and stereotypes.

D. less women's economic dependence.

V. ^{Pragmatic} Ways to encourage women to be at the helm of governments:

A. Awareness and campaign about women's intrinsic qualities

B. Effective media presentation about women.

C. Reduced political barriers for women.

VI. Women leadership is ineffective:

A Counter View Point.

VII. Concluding remarks:

The leadership of Jacinda Ardern, Prime Minister of New Zealand, was much appreciated during the Covid-19 pandemic. She skillfully handled the pandemic, arrested its spread, and reduced fatalities. Moreover, her leadership was also praised for progressive policies and initiatives. Her government was characterized as inclusive and more people-centered. Her example showcases how women leadership can be effective during global crisis. Now, imagine that women were to be the heads of all developed nations, would they not be able to bring positive changes in the world? Would they not make a world a better place to live in? The answer is affirmative. If women are at the helm of developed nations, they would revolutionize the world in such a way that is beyond anyone's widest imagination. They could be a harbinger of world peace, reduced wars and conflicts, more gender equality and less population growth. However, there are numerous stumbling blocks in the ways of women to be the heads of developed state, ranging from patriarchal

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mind-set to widespread economic discrimination?

Furthermore, if more pragmatic steps are taken, such as reducing political barriers and changing social norms, the leadership of women is possible in the world.

The March of Science And The Erosion of Human values.

Outline

- I. Introductory remarks: Carl Jung rightly says that science without humanity is like a body without a soul.
- II. Thesis Statement: The march of science promises significant benefits for humanity; however, its rapid march casts a large shadow over human values, ranging from ethical concerns to privacy and security issues.
- III. Overview of the March of Science
- IV. Potential benefits of the March of Science.
 - A. Improvement in Health sector: The case of Covid-19 and vaccine to save lives.
 - B. Advanced means of transportation.
 - C. Modern modes of communication to ease human connectivity.
 - D. Increased industrial outputs and agricultural productivity: The case

Australian Agriculture and robots in China.

V. Erosion of Human Values in the wake of science.

A. Rise of Ethical concerns: Cloning,

gene-editing
violation of privacy and other issues: The case of Cambridge Analytica.

C. Increased inequalities in society.

D. Promotion of weapons of mass destruction and safety concerns.

E. Bias and prejudices in Algorithms
The case bubble fettering, and use of AI to discriminate on the basis of wealth.

F. Disruption in family-set-up.

G. AI and loss of cognitive thinking: The reference of Book "The Age of AI"

H. Isolation and apathy among people.

VI, Science and no erosion of human values: A counter view point

VII. Pragmatic ways to include Human values in the wake of science

A. A robust ethical framework: The

Case of EU laws against tech giants

- B. International cooperation to set standard rules
- C. Focus on human values
- D. Public discourse and Education.

VIII - Concluding remarks: Although science poses threats to human values, it can be served of humanity if corrective steps are taken at the earliest.

Essay.

Since the dawn of the cognitive revolution, humanity have stepped into the uncharted territory of science, paving the way for innovation and creativity. From Ancient Greek to Enlightenment era, the men of science have contributed significantly to the development of science for the betterment of humanity, and ensuring a bright future for human race. However, at the turn of twenty first century, the march of science has become

unprecedented in its pace and innovations, posing threat to human values. With advancements in information technology and computer science, the erosion of human values can be seen in the shape of ethical concerns, privacy issues, increased inequalities, disruption in family set-up, and so on. This is an ill-omen for the survival as well as a bright future of humankind. As Carl Jung has rightly said, "Science without humanity is like a body without a soul." Therefore, it is a need of hour to take corrective measures, such as addressing ethical concerns, and international cooperation for rules, to make science more beneficial for humanity in the years to come. Therefore, it is right to say that science has multiple potential benefits for humanity; however, its unprecedented march is characterized by erosion of human values.

The world we live in — is a Dark place.

Outline

I. Introductory remarks: The death of King Richard from minor injuries is a stark reminder of the fact that we live in a better place.

II. Thesis Statement: Although certain challenges exist that makes the world as a dark place, it is the best of times we live in as evident in the case of fatal diseases, increased life expectancy, advanced means of communication and transportation and so on.

III. The world we live in is not a dark place: Illustrations.

A. Case of fatal diseases: The case of Malaria, small pox, flu - etc.

B. Reduced fatality during pandemic: The case of Black Death vs Covid-19.

C. Increased life expectancy: The book reference of Yovel Noah Harari, "Sapiens"

D. Increased employment opportunities: TikTok & Senegal citizen's example

E. Lesser fatality in wars: ^{Compared to} Russia-Ukraine war vs World War II.

F. Improved means of transportation: The book reference of Christopher Lee, "A Short History of World".

G. Advanced modes of communication:

H. More ^{awareness about} political crises and social crises: The case Arab Spring & #MeToo Movement.

I. More cooperation at global level: Covid-19 & vaccine distribution & crisis deal.

J. More luxuriant life style than previous generations.

IV. Certain challenges making the world a dark place:

A. Fast deteriorating climate change.

B. Spread of disruptive technologies

C. ^{more} Water scarcity

D. Terrorism and extremism.

V. Ways to tackle these challenges:

A. More cooperation and collaboration in the fight against climate change.

B. Promotion of democratic levels.

C. Proper implementation and framing of laws and regulation about emerging technologies.

VI. Concluding remark:

King Richard, famously known as 'Lion Heart', sustained a minor cut on his shoulder in a war. The great physicians of his times were summoned and asked to attend to the wound, but they failed to serve him. Consequently, the king Richard died from injuries in a great agony.

Had the king Richard born in present world, would he have died of his wounds? The answer is no. This story signifies that the world we live in is the best of times as people have access to new medication compared in history, increasing life expectancy manifold. With advanced means of communication and transportation, people can fly or travel ^{from} one place to another in lesser time. Moreover, people have more access to education and employment opportunities.

Similarly, the fatalities in wars and the number of wars have reduced to a great extent. Hence, Christopher Lascelles writes that in theory, we should be at the pinnacle of our existence. However, there are certain challenges that are shaping the world as a dark place, ranging from climate change to terrorism and extremism.

In short, existence of these challenges does not ^{mean} that the world is a dark place; however, people at present are living on the best of the times.

There are several illustrations to validate the claim that people are living in the best conditions than ever.

The first and foremost argument to prove it is the cure of fetal diseases.

Several major diseases - flu, small pox, measles, cholera, and AIDS - are treatable at present. Christopher Lascelles in his book, "A short history of world" has called these diseases as 'the major killers of humanity'. However, thanks to vaccines and antibiotic interventions, these diseases can be cured without causing any fatality. This is an ample proof of the fact that we are living in better times.