

"Hope is the Greatest Driving Force"

(1) Introduction

Thesis statement:

Hope acts as a fuel for human life. Man life, undoubtedly, in addition to various other factors, is driven by hope. Hope drives human life in various ways, for instance it is the hope of success and better future behind all sufferings and struggles of human.

(2) Hope: The driving force of man life

(3) Life ceases to exist in the absence of hope

• Case in point; hopelessness behind suicides

(4) How hope is the greatest driving force?

(A) The sufferings of present are undertaken in the hope of a bright future

(B) The hope of a better life and change keeps one alive such as; the life of prisoner in a prison

(C) The hope of profit behind all economic and business activities

(D) Farmer suffers hardship in the hope of greater yield and product.

(E) Hope: The greatest driving force behinds all religious activities

(i) The hope of getting Jannah and a better hereafter compels one on worships

(ii) Charitable activities are carried in the hope of pleasing God and reducing poverty

(F) Hope and Politics

(i) Political participation is hope driven

(ii) Policies are formulated and implemented in the hope of development and a change for better

case in point; fiscal and monetary policies are formulated in the hope of curbing inflation, deflation and economic stability.

(G) Hope in the field of medicine

(i) use of medicine is based on hope

Such as; pain of injection is suffered in the hope of recovery

(ii) All surgeries are hope based
For instance; a patient risk his eye in the hope of getting better

- (H) Evil activities are also hope driven
- (i) wars are fought in the hope of success and victory
 - (ii) Terrorists fight in the hope of Jannah
 - (iii) Laws are breached in the hope of not getting caught

- (5) Various case studies and historical examples showing, hope is the greatest driving force
- For example, scientific inventions and discoveries

- (6) The other view: Hope is not the greatest driving force

- (7) Conclusion

At the back of humans' struggles, efforts and activities, there are various factors and reasons. These factors and reasons compel humans on doing things. These factors could be self interest, satisfaction, obligation or hope. Hope, amongst these factors, is the greatest driving force. It acts as a fuel for human life and it is the hope which compels humans on struggle, efforts and hard working.

In other words, human life and struggle cease to exist in the absence of hope because it is the hope which encourages, motivates and injects optimism into human soul. Hope nourishes the debilitating and dying souls and spirits. Therefore, in numerous ways, it is the greatest driving force for humans. Such as, it is the hope of success and a bright future which makes humans to endure hardships, sufferings and work hard. Similarly, all business, economic and agriculture activities are hope driven. The ~~econo~~ investor and producer is ready to invest and take risk because of the hope of profit. In the similar fashion, religious activities, such as prayers and worship are undertaken in the name of hope. Hope also has a defining role in the

in the field of medicine. Moreover, hope also acts as a motivation behind evil activities. Majority of the evil activities, for instance suicide bombing is carried out in the hope of Jannah. To boil it down, without a doubt; hope is the greatest motivating factor of human lives and it is the hope that constantly blows soul into the wheel of life.

As per Newton Second Law of motion, it is the force behind motion (acceleration) of objects, in reference to the human life; hope is its driving force. Hope drives human life at its every stage because it provides motivation and encouragement. It is human's nature that he needs motivation and encouragement for doing things, humans; this need is fulfilled by hope. Similarly, hope inculcates optimism into humans' mind which provides them vigour and energy in case of failure. It is the feelings of optimism which enable man to rise from failure and achieve success. In a nutshell, hope human life is based on hope.

On its contrary, if hope is taken away from human life, life cease to exist. Life devoid of

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hope is also devoid of optimism, motivation and encouragement and giving such life is difficult task. For instance, if there is no hope of success after hard work and struggle then people would cease to do hard work and struggle because the very motivation for doing so has been taken away.

Similarly, people commit suicide when and put an end to their lives when they become hopeless and despondent in their lives. Thus life ends when hope vanishes.

It is evident from the aforementioned discussion that hope is the greatest driving force. In various ways it is so; first, the sufferings of present are ~~endured~~ endured in the hope of bright future. Human life is a constant struggle - which begins the day he ~~born~~ bears and ends with his demise. Man undertakes all such struggles so as to have a bright future and a good and comfortable life ahead. Although, no one is sure that his efforts would result in a bright future but still he works hard because of the hope. Such as, a student studies day and night and most of the time he does it against his will and super handslaps

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and struggles only in the hope of a bright future. If a student is told that his hard work would not help him in acquiring a good future. From that day he will cease to struggle. So, it is the hope of a bright and successful future which forces people to struggle and strive in the present.

Similarly, the hope of a better life and a positive change keeps one alive and provide purpose to his existence. No body is sure about the future, people have no idea whether their life ahead would be better or miserable, but something which remains constant is, that everyone hopes for a better life ahead. If a man who is living an already comfortable life he hopes for more comforts and work for that. The one who is living an abject life is living his life and work hard in the hope a positive change to his life. He works, struggles, because he is hopeful that his life would change in future and miseries would be replaced by comforts. Its best example is the life of a prisoner is a jail. A prisoner live his life in the jail in the hope of

of acquittal one day. If the hope of getting out of the prison one day is taken away from him, on that day he would die from inside, although he will be alive but would be living a life of dead. Hence it is the hope that keeps us alive.

Hope, being the greatest driving force, is not only limited to the lives of people but it is also applicable to other human activities, such as business and investment. The producers and investors always invest in the hope of getting profit. When they are investing their money or embarking on economic activities, they are not fully sure that it will be profitable for them but still they invest in the name of hope. For example if someone is told that his business venture is not going to benefit him, he would instantly avoid doing so because he has been benefited from the motivation—hope. As China Under CPEC and many other investors are investing in the special economic zones (SEZs). The factor which is compelling them on doing so is the hope of future profit.

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In the similar fashion, because of hope a farmer works day and night and put both his physical and mental effort to have high yield and productivity. Farming is an arduous job whether it is the traditional or the contemporary mechanized farming, both require a lot of struggle, hard work and suffering. It has been observed that farmers undertake their farming by sowing seeds, then watering them, protect them from pest and other harmful things, fertilized them, then harvest them and so on. When a farmer embarks on his farming, he is not certain about the output. Even though he knows that all his crops can be destroyed by excessive rain or drought but still he does all his effort and what impels him on doing so is the hope. If there is drought and the possibility of high yield is negligible, still he would undertake efforts in the hope of getting good yield. Thus, it is the hope which provide hope against hope.

Religious activities are also hope driven. Two things form the basis of religion; one is faith and second one is hope. Religious activities, in particular

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Worships are based on hope. It has been observed that the followers of all religion, whether its Hinduism, Islam or Christianity, perform worship in the hope of getting a good life in the hereafter as well as in this world. In case of Muslims, people get up early in the night and offer Najat prayers so that they could reside in Jannah once they die.

Similarly, the disciples of other religions also perform their worship and bear hardship to please their God.

However, worships are also performed because they are considered obligatory but hope also has a defining role in that. If the hope of getting Jannah and luxurious life in the hereafter is taken, then people motivation for doing worship would be drastically reduced. So, it is the hope of getting reward from God's side that forces one to do worship.

In the same way, other religious ~~act~~ and humanitarian activities in particular, charity is undertaken in order to please God and strike down the menace of poverty. Followers of the majority of religions believe in charitable activities. Major reasons behind charitable activities are humanitarian grounds and the hope

of pleasing one's creator. People spend their hard earned money on other people who are totally alien to them and they do not expect ^{from them} anything in return. With their own hard earned money - which they have earned after a lot of struggle - they buy food and clothes for the poor people. Major motivation behind doing so is to please their God and gather His rewards. Similarly, such activities are also undertaken in the hope of reducing poverty. Thus, hope acts as a motivator for charitable acts.

Political activities ^{also} are not an exception to hope. They are also hope driven, in particular ~~part~~ political participation. Political participation, whether it is on public level or leader level is hope motivated. The public participate in the politics by voting, expressing support for their desired candidates and conduct rallies and canvasses. They do so in the hope of getting their desired leader elected into the Legislature so that he becomes their voice. ~~The Republic~~ ~~is~~ it is the hope which forces them

~~and drive out~~ and drive them out of their homes to vote and become part of political activities. In the same way, the leaders also carry their activities in the hope of getting more vote and getting elected to the parliament. They canvass from place to place and home to home. Their very basic motivation behind that is hope of success and victory in elections.

Moreover, policies are also formulated and implemented in the hope of development and change for better. Policies could be economic, agricultural, social or educational.

No body is certain about the efficacy of policies, irrespective of the fact how well thought out they are. Similarly, if the same policies have gathered success in the rest of regions, still one is not sure about their success. They are formulated and implemented in the hope of getting success. The policy makers are hopeful and optimistic about their policies, therefore, they formulate and implement them.

For instance, a government formulates its fiscal and monetary policies in the hope of curbing inflation, deflation

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and economic stability. The government is not certain that by reducing flow of money into the market would reduce inflation but still it do so in the hope of getting desired result. In short, the hope motivates one on doing things and taking risks.

Hope also has an inextricable linkage with the field of medical sciences. The use of medicine is based on hope. Before the introduction of medicines into the market, they are tested and once the pharma industry is satisfied with the results, then they introduce such medicines into the market.

But it has been noticed that still people and doctors are not sure regarding their efficacy. A doctor never guarantees his patient that a certain medicine would cure the disease. Both the doctor and patient use medicine in the name of hope. A doctor advise it in the hope that it would work and the patient takes it in the hope that it would cure him. For instance, a patient is ready to suffer the pain of injection and side effects of other medicines in the hope of getting cured. Thus it shows

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that hope is the greatest driving force because it is the hope that coerces the patient to suffer the pain of injections.

Moreover, surgeries are also carried out in the ^{name} of hope. Before doing a surgery, the guardian or the one going through surgery has to sign an affidavit which testifies that in case of failure or any other undesired outcomes the doctor would not be responsible.

It shows that neither the doctors nor the patient is positive about the surgery but the interesting part is, both undertake the surgery happily. All this risk is taken by both the patient and doctor in the hope of success. Similarly, surgery is a very painful procedure, the patient has to go through a lot of pains and side effects but still he embraces doing so in the hope of getting better after the surgery. Thus, the hope of success and salubrious life ahead compels people to go through life threatening procedures like surgery.

Hope is not only a driving force behind good deeds and productive activities but also a driving force at the back of

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evil activities. Wars - which are destructive for human beings and society - are hope driven. Babur invade India in the hope of conquering it and establishing his rule there. America participated in Cold war in the hope of dethroning Russia. The hope of success and victory ~~moti~~ encourages people and nations to fight wars, that is why America fought ~~was~~ Afghan war for more than twenty years. The only thing that was continuously motivating the USA to keep on fighting the Afghan war was the hope of success and victory there.

Similarly, terrorism and in particular suicide bombing ~~are~~ is carried out in the name of hope. The terrorists who participate in terrorism and suicide bombing is motivated by the hope of getting Jannah after ~~the~~ death. Although, no terrorist or a suicide bomber after death has come back and told the fellow terrorists that after doing so now he resides there in Jannah but the doers of such activities are hopeful of getting Jannah in hereafter. This shows that how powerful the influence of hope is that even it can

Convince one to put an end to one's life. However, terrorist is also influenced by other factors like; feeling of nationalism, exploitation, vengeance and deprivation but still he carries out his activities in the name of hope.

Lastly and most important, evil activities, such as breaking laws, is also based on hope.

Those who breaches laws are in the hope of not getting caught. The hope that one would not be noticed and caught motivates one for doing evil things, like breaking laws. A driver violates traffic rules in the hope of not getting caught, An employ practice corruption in the same hope and a thief commits robbery in the hope of escaping the scene.

That is why it can be observed that, if someone is not hopeful about doing something - good or bad - one avoids doing so. The hope is something which motivates one for doing things, therefore evils activities are also hope driven.

There are various case studies and historical examples which throw their weight behind the validity of the statement:

Hope is the greatest driving force. One of its best historical example is the efforts undertaken by the preachers for preaching their religious belief, such as the prophet of Islam - Hazrat Muhammad (SAW). Prophet (SAW) all effort for the spread of Islam was based on hope. He was hopeful that the pagans would be convinced one day and they would accept Islam. Similarly, Alexander the great expeditions for conquering the world were also driven by the hope of conquering the world. Moreover, all the scientific inventions and discoveries are motivated by the hope of success. A scientist undertakes all his efforts and work day and night in the hope of getting success one day. Similarly, after the failure of his experiments the hope of success impels him on to continue his effort. In short, history many a time has witnessed that hope is the greatest driving force.

The opponents, who do not agree with the fact that hope is the greatest driving force, are of the opinion that it's not the hope but the rest of factors which drive human actions. These factors include; self interest, sense of

right and wrong, obligation and duty and most important the will of a person. They argue that a person performs worship not in the hope of getting Jannah but one consider it an obligatory duty of religion. Similarly, wars, evil activities & crimes, good deeds, hard work and struggle are ^{not} endorsed in the name of hope but for the sake of self interests. Such as, a patient undergoes surgery not in the hope of getting cured but it aligns with his self interests. Thus, they argue that majority of human activities are based on self interest and the will to do them ~~it~~, but they are wrong in their notion because it is the hope which directly as well as indirectly influences human activities.

To sum up, humans' activities and actions are influenced by various factors, but it is the hope which acts as the greatest driving force. Hope is synonymous to soul of human, as humans ~~life~~ cease to exist in the absence of soul similarly, it also cease to exist when there is no hope. Hope is the greatest motivation of human being. It is the hope which compels humans on doing

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Constant struggle and blows of pessimism into the minds of humans in time of failure. The hope of success makes the struggle of humans easy and bearable. All the hardships and suffering are borne by humans in the name of hope. It helps them in sailing through hardships of life and ups and downs of life.

That is why it is said that a hopeless life is synonymous with death or no life. A life devoid of hope is devoid of motivation and the urge to do things ~~something~~. To cap it all, hope is the fuel of human life and continuous struggle.