

Mahatma's economic philosophy

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Abstract

Gandhi was a thinker and karmayogi whose aim was not just to build India's political freedom but to build a new India based on equality, justice and non-violence. A few decades ago, Gandhiji had alerted his thoughts to the problems of the future due to capitalism, urbanization, uncontrolled modernity etc.

Gandhi's economic philosophy of development can effectively help in fighting this severe economic crisis. Gandhiji called the villages the soul of India, according to him the real India resides in its villages. If we want to develop and prosper India, we must make the villages of India self-reliant and prosperous. India is a country with a large population, so here economic policies and business activities cannot be very effective which are useful in countries where less population is.

India needs a decentralized production system in which production work done mostly by manually. The use of big machines and technology is only in the most urgent and unavoidable condition. If we make more use of computerized technology and faster machines, then the same time human hands will become unemployed.

In this economic crisis period, India and the state governments urgently need to encourage village based and small scale industries based on Gandhiji's principle of Gram Swaraj. Not only this crisis, if we want to end India's rampant unemployment and poverty, then only village based small scale industries can determine the balanced economic future of India.

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In the seventeenth century Newton's law of reaction was proposed, this law of science can sometimes help in understanding the processes of society and the Philosophy of society. According to Newton's theory, we can say that the idea or philosophy which we start to consider as irrelevant in society or say that it is useless to society, becomes equally relevant, useful and unavoidable in reality.

By studying and analyzing the social problems of the last few decades, we can know that whenever any major social, economic or political problem arises in front of India or

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