Role of Morality in the sustainable development of the Country

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Abstract
Morality is imbibed in the person from the day he/she born but with advantages/disadvantages of life a person learn the prophecy or devilling in life is a matter of choice. The fruitful positive energies of the people can be used for the amelioration of entire India with constant progressive step by infusing morality.

Today, we are living in the most advanced era but the lacunae we are facing today that there are thousands of codified laws but they are regressive in its implementation. Now, the solution lies in inhibiting the right values, morality, and ethics in the overall development of a human being. If we analyze the legal fraternity or its implementation can be recognized only where the CCTV cameras can track you, where the evidences can reach you, where medical reports proof crime against you, where witnesses assure you if all these are absent then think where you are dwelling and who will take your hand to help you.

From one generation to another we have to regulate certain norms to regulate the society to make it more functional and more effective. For example if you are planting a tree than every day you have to give water, fertilizers, light etc. for proper development in the same way a human being requires not only food and water for survival but various amenities with the utmost importance of training in morality which makes him/her distinct from other creatures. In this paper I will explain the importance of morality in the subsequent development of other generations. The solution of various problems lies in the human himself by tracing its evolution and purpose of life through generating and practicing its norms that should be culminated in the mindset of the people for achieving the dreams of make in India a real project for the whole country.

“Goodness without knowledge is weak; knowledge without goodness is dangerous. We have to build a better man before we can build a better society.”
All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good people do nothing.
Our purpose is not to make a living but a life—a worthy, well-rounded, useful life.
Morality is not a subject; it is a life put to the test in dozens of moments.”

-Paul Tillich

Introduction
In the present gloomy world where everything looks illuminating from outside but unfortunately everything is losing its radiance from inside. A human being who is the best among creature created by God is blatantly falling with the tides of deteriorating culture, ethics, values, morality and religion. As we all crave for a sustainable environment for our metabolic activities in the same way we need certain components to regulate our heart and soul for our sustenance. These components emerged from the day of evolution we emerged from primordial sludge into a conscious human being and the war is continue to demarcate between just and unjust through various weapons that evolved with the time in the name of religiosity/bigotry in the name of religion which planted roots of hatred towards each other inconsonant with the dogmas of an idealistic society.

We are living in the most advanced era where we have hi-tech life, luxury Cars, food on order even can buy anything by just clicking on our smart phones even we are not happy because our soul and heart become infected by the virus of immorality where women fighting for her dignity where “93 women are being raped in India every day, NCRB data show”\(^1\) in this “make in India” where “276 million people are living below poverty line”\(^2\) where “The total number of prostitutes in India is 7,936,509. UNICEF estimates that there are at least a million child prostitutes in Asia alone with the greatest numbers in India”\(^3\) where in 2012, the National Crime Records Bureau India reported 13,754 farmer suicides\(^4\) where 93% of boys said that porn was addictive as drugs\(^5\). However, the list of crimes contains a brutal killings where people even can kill anyone in practicing religiosity in the name of religion. Life becomes a curse for every human being on this earth as they are living in a system where they are dying like a lifeless soul

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\(^1\) Christin Mathew Philips, times of india, TNN | Jul 1, 2014, 12.39 PM IST
\(^2\) https://data.gov.in/keywords/below-poverty-line
\(^3\) https://catwap.wordpress.com/programs/research-documentation-publications/facts-and-statistics/
\(^4\) National Crime Reports Bureau, ADSI Report Annual – 2012 Government of India, Page 242, Table 2.11
\(^5\) Survey of Times of India among 400 Students, July 25 2015.
because internal conscience is killing them for attaining the peace in their lives which have been vanish from their lives.

This beautiful Country is infected by the diseases of heart which maligned the heart and soul of persons where the remedy lies with the refining of heart with the aid of morality, values, ethics which needs to be regulated through the moral code of Conduct even in the absence of law the punishment of guilt will not makes a person to sleep for his wrong deeds in this world. Such a fear of Lord of this Universe whom we called as “God” need to be understand through the religion because where the laws cannot reach you, where police cannot catch you where evidences/witnesses sell to you, where conscience can’t hold you, where rape/incest are so rapid in a country where women are ashamed of her existence, where killing of female foetus becomes a choice where homosexuality is the reason of my life where marriage is disaster and live-in-relationship is a blockbuster where old age parents live in old age homes where parents say to their Children to live their own where you will die for your wants, desire, necessities of life but you will keep fighting with your inner soul for peace. So, the question how the individual, family, society, state, nation should be reformed so that it reaches the goal of the millennium to achieve sustainable development of the Country through cultivating the roots of morality from one generation to generation as a tree requires fertilizers, sunlight, water, soil for its growth in the same way human beings need a regulatory mechanism as morality which should be sown today that will ripe from generation to generations because the present system of human beings is unable to control them in the private rooms, isolated places and from various offences of theft, dacoity, homicide, rape/incest, breach of trust, cheating ,trafficking ,prostitution, pornography etc.

1. **Concept of Morality and its evolution**

   Morality is a wider connotation of our lives where it is difficult to assume a life devoid of morality. Here, various questions arise why we need morality? What is the meaning of morality? How the morality is evolved? How morality differs from religion? How religion and ethics are part of morality? How the wounds of advancement healed by the technology? How morals are related to the human security? How the moral code of conduct changes the behavioral sciences of a person? How the peace is to be regulated in the society?

   If we analyze the broader spectrum of morality we find that Morals are not new to the humans they are imbibed in them from the day they are born as an infant feels hunger in the
same way human soul is thirsty to get the right inhibitions in her/his life. Therefore, it is significant to understand e.g. If a blind is crossing a road and you did not help him/her to cross the road and that person dies due to your negligence act for not stretching your help to him/her will not let you live under the delusion of moral guilt while there is no sanction under law foe not discharging your duty under moral obligation. “It is evident that both law and morality serve to channel our behavior. Law accomplishes this primarily through the threat of sanctions if we disobey legal rules. Morality too involves incentives: bad acts may result in guilt and disapprobation, and good act may result in virtuous feeling and praise.”

Morality evolved from religion or religion evolved from morality or they co-exist together or independent of each other it can be traced from the day when a human being was born on this earth as claimed by different religion with different names as Adam in Islam and Christianity and Manu in Hindus. Now the question arises who told them about the principles of life, Does the God himself presented them the plethora of conduct or human beings learnt themselves their moral obligation. If they are born without conscience of guilt than they can be equated with animals if we call human beings as animal than it is against the theory of Charles Darwin while “The study of the religion connects in interesting ways to issues of morality. One increasingly popular theory sees religion as an evolved solution to the problem of bringing together communities of people; religious belief and practice exist to instill cooperation and group feelings, to motivate kindness and compassion to other members of one’s tribe.”

2. Morality is a matter of choice or inhibition

The term “morality” can be used either descriptively to refer to some codes of conduct put forward by a society or, some other group, such as a religion, or accepted by an individual for her own behavior or normatively to refer to a code of conduct that, given specified conditions, would be put forward by all rational persons. Among those who use “morality” normatively, all hold that “morality” refers to a code of conduct that applies to all who can understand it and can govern their behavior by it. In the normative sense, morality should never be overridden, that is, no one should ever violate a moral prohibition or requirement for non-moral considerations. All

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of those who use “morality” normatively also hold that, under plausible specified conditions, all rational persons would endorse that code. From the above definition it is clear that a code of conduct is required to live in a society which regulates a behavior for the sustenance of a person. Moreover, “as human beings living in the world, we have basic duties and obligations. There are certain things we must do and certain things we must not do. In other words, there is an ethical dimension of human existence. As human beings, we experience life in a world of good and evil and understand certain kinds of actions in terms of right and wrong. The very structure of human existence dictates that we must make choices. Ethics helps us use our freedom responsibly and understand who we are. And, ethics gives direction in our struggle to answer the fundamental questions that ask how we should live our lives and how we can make right choices. Here, the question arises whether ethics is a part of morality or morality and ethics coexist together?

Ethics, or moral philosophy, is the branch of philosophy that involves systematizing, defending, and recommending concepts of right and wrong conduct. Ethics investigates the questions “What is the best way for people to live?” and “What actions are right or wrong in particular circumstances?” In practice, ethics seeks to resolve questions of human morality, by defining concepts such as good and evil, right and wrong, virtue and vice, justice and crime. It is thereby corroborated from the above explanation that morals which has been accepted for the governance of a human being and the philosophy which determine it to measure an act as right or wrong is equally important and coexist with each other where morality is not an option but inhibits in the nature of a human being.

3. Morality and Religion

In popular religion God is considered to be the source of moral commands without whose grace or assistance human beings are unable to fulfill his will. Hume contradicts this. According to him, the God of common religion is no moral authority. Hume argues as follows: 1. Polytheism is the primary religion of mankind. Human beings personify the unknown causes of events. Painful events are taken as being caused by malevolent spirits or gods, whereas pleasurable

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ones are seen as being caused by benevolent spirits. 2. Polytheism is usually overtaken by monotheism. Hume gives two reasons for this: The one is that a particular God among the many is marked out by the people as a national tutelary God (like Jahwe for the Jews). Accordingly the concept of God is divisible between pleasure and pain where the God is also divided into two fraction one God who is Constructive and another God who is destructive. So, now the question arises whether religion is the bi product of morality or morality is the product of religion or they are independent branches of each other? It is also important to know who taught the man about the concept of hell and heaven. If man created these morals for the subjugation of a class than who created this universe? If nature brought human beings on this earth than who brought the nature or nature created itself? If nature is the creation of big bang theory and continuously expanding than from which point nature was started if it was started than that point come in itself in existence? If from the day of evolution man was an animal according to Darwin’s theory than why the human being is stopped from further development in his physical characteristics? If human beings are born without the conscience of right or wrong than they must co-exist like animal? If they have the consciousness towards self analysis than who created this conscience? How the inner self derive oneself to become angel or beast? If beast and angel co-exist in a society in human conduct/thoughts than which will prevail to maintain peace in society? How morality plays a critical role in evaluating the conduct of a human being under the theory of self realization or sanctions by the state? State punishment or self realization is more pre-dominant in regulating the conduct? Morals if play a critical role in human sphere than how it should be adopted/transmitted?

1. Morality in Hinduism:—Morality is the gateway to religion. He who leads a moral or virtuous life attains freedom, perfection or Moksha. Practice of ethics will help you to live in harmony with your neighbours, friends, your own family members, fellow-beings and other people. It will confer on you lasting happiness and Moksha. It will purify your heart. It will keep your conscience ever clean.

“Let the scriptures be thy authority in determining what ought to be done or what ought not to be done. Knowing what hath been declared by the ordinances of the

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scriptures, thou oughtest to work in this world”\textsuperscript{12} The very root and core of all moral discipline is mental purification through refraining from all evil action and the active practice of virtue. Do well at all times. \textit{Ahimsa, Satya} and \textit{Brahmacharya} symbolize the three processes of avoiding sin, sticking to virtue and Self purification. All harm arises out of man’s egoism. The ego manifests itself as ambition, desire and lust. Under their influence man indulges in hatred, love, flattery, pride, unscrupulousness, hypocrisy and delusion.

“They are forever free who renounce all selfish desires and break away from the ego-cage of “I”, “me “and “mine” to be united with the Lord. This is the supreme state. Attain to this, and pass from death to immorality.

\textbf{ii. Morality in Islam}

The Islamic moral system stems from its primary creed of belief in One God as the Creator and Sustainer of the Universe. Islam considers the human race to be a part of God’s creation, and as His subjects.

From an Islamic perspective, the purpose of human life is to worship God, by leading this worldly life in harmony with the Divine Will, and thereby achieve peace in this world, and everlasting success in the life of the hereafter. Muslims look to the Glorious Qur’an and the Traditions of the Prophet as their moral guides.

“It is not righteousness that ye turn your faces Towards east or West; but it is righteousness- to believe in Allah and the Last Day, and the Angels, and the Book, and the Messengers; to spend of your substance, out of love for Him, for your kin, for orphans, for the needy, for the wayfarer, for those who ask, and for the ransom of slaves; to be steadfast in prayer, and practice regular charity; to fulfill the contracts which ye have made; and to be firm and patient, in pain (or suffering) and adversity, and throughout all periods of panic. Such are the people of truth, the Allah-fearing.” \textsuperscript{13}

“Say: the things that my Lord hath indeed forbidden are: shameful deeds, whether open or secret; sins and trespasses against truth or reason; assigning of partners to Allah, for which He hath given no authority; and saying things about Allah of which ye have no

\textsuperscript{12} \textit{Bhagavada-Gita}: (Ch. XVI-24).

\textsuperscript{13} [\textit{Al-Qur’an} 2:177]
knowledge.” The Islamic moral principles therefore, appeal naturally to the human intellect, while elevating the pursuit of morality to the level of worship. This is because Islam holds every action that is done with the goal of attaining of God’s pleasure to be worship. The guiding principle for the behavior of a Muslim is what the Qur’an refers to as Al `Amal Assalih or virtuous deeds. This term covers all deeds, not just the outward acts of worship.

iii. Morality in Christianity

In one situation a Pharisee, an expert in these laws, asked Jesus, as he addressed him as “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” And Jesus replied with this answer: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with your entire mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments”. The first four commandments guide Christians on how to love God, and the last six guide Christians on how to love others. These ten simple rules form the basic guide, given by God, to the full expression of Christian love. In the Sermon on the Mount Jesus addresses several of these commandments and intensifies their application. For example, he not only forbids murder, he calls his followers to recognize that unresolved anger also destroys others. He not only forbids adultery, but calls his followers to purity of mind and heart. “We must admit that there is something wrong. The current representation of religion does not respond to the needs of society, nor does it answer the pressing questions of our time. There is a gap between our understanding of religion and the current era, born as a result of the lack of interaction between religion and contemporary life. Religion has as a result become like medicine that we have stripped of active ingredients, only to then declare: this medicine is not working”.

14 [Al-Qur’an 7:33]
15 (Matthew 22:36).
16 (Matthew 22:37- 40).
17 The Huffington Post, Posted: 28/07/2015 14:45 IST Updated: 28/07/2015 15:29 IST
4. Morality, Religion and Religiosity

In the present world we are striving towards the development goal to achieve “make in India” a real live project for the overall ameliorations of the Country ‘morality’ which need to be imbibed in the sustenance of human values for promoting social morality, cultural morality, economic morality, economic morality at every level from the day an infant comes out from the womb of mother and her mother see him/her with the smile or pain from that day learning period started to understand this world.

From the above explanation it is clear that morality and religion co-exist together and cannot be separated from each other. But the question arises as what principles we need to establish a peaceful society? Does wearing Hijab and a beard make you morally fit to become a Muslim? Does having a long tika on forehead and wearing orange dhoti makes you a saint as an ideal Hindu with morals? Does wearing turban represent your morality? Does discarding clothes or adopting any religious clothe makes you perfect in your religion? Does killing of innocent is justified in any religion on the differences of religious preaching? Does killings by the terrorist in the name of religion is reasonable? Does any religion ids above humanity?

In the above mentioned submissions it is clear that religion prospers unity, integrity, oneness, honesty and love in mankind but today we see that in the name of religion killing others become a justified morality. Religious extremists are willing to murder because they embrace theologies that sanction violence in the service of God. They have no sympathy for their victims, because they view those victims as enemies of God. And they readily sacrifice their own lives because they expect huge and immediate afterlife rewards in return for “martyrdom.”18 In bringing the present world and after world the morality is twisted with the politics due to which people are afraid of their religion for practicing extremism. A correct definition of religion need not to appear as a religious preacher with long tika on forehead, a long beard on face, long dhoti, a long black hijab, kirtan in streets, majlis at homes, long debates on religion, counter allegations and different interpretations of religions. The real spirit of religion has been lost as the flower disseminate its fragrance in the hands of plucker in the same way whoever practices religion with morality will surely spread its blossoms in the surroundings but “last week, 52-year-old

Mohammad Akhlaq was dragged out of his home by a mob of 200 and beaten to death after a public announcement from a temple that he had killed a calf and eaten its meat\textsuperscript{19}. The hue and cry in the world politics which makes religion a “deadly zone” but factually religion is the healer of all injuries on soul. Due to the misrepresentation by the clergies and involvement of politics with your morality sinking the entire notion of righteousness, self imposed restraint from the diversions.

5. Morality, Immorality and Law

In particular, a moral rule has the property, that when a person obeys the rule, he will tend to feel the sentiment known as virtue, and, if he disobeys the rule, he will tend to feel the sentiment known as guilt. A moral rule also has property that, when a person obeys the rule and is observed to have done so by another party, that party may bestow praise on the first party who will enjoy the praise, and if the person disobeys the rule and is observed to have done so by another party, the second party will disapprove the first party, who will dislike the disapproval. Behaviour that comports with moral rules, so described will be called as good and behaviour that deviates from the rules called bad\textsuperscript{20}.

It is very easy to impose legal sanction on a person and to implement legislation through administrative and judicial agencies but imposing moral rules is evidently expensive in regulating it requires time, energy, observation, constant effort from childhood to differentiate between right and wrong. For imposing legal sanction there must be violation of legal rights, there must be witnesses, there must be evidences but what will happen in the absence of evidences where CCTV, Police officials, other authorities cannot reach you than how a person will be punished for his/her wrongful act. In the absence of procedure of legal sanctions moral sanctions plays a critical rule to teach a lesson and to regulate oneself towards honesty that the fear of ultimate authority “God” is watching us and will be punished hardly by our acts although we get freedom from the clutches of law but cannot escape from the moral liability that exists in inner self which is self inspecting towards right or wrong.

\textsuperscript{19} \url{http://www.ndtv.com/india-news/dadri-mob-killing-no-beef-in-uttar-pradesh-governments-report-to-centre-1227906} accessed on 08.10.15.
\textsuperscript{20} id.6 pgs 232-233
6. Role of state in inhibiting morality

"Liberty consists in being able to do anything which does not harm others" meaning thereby freedom is absolute but restricted when it harm others and the Government is responsible for the satisfaction of wants of its subject as the Centre in May 2014, the Government of India unveiled a brave, new programme of inclusive economic growth and social welfare. The plan envisages enhanced health, nutrition, basic education especially of the girl child, women and child development. State is under obligation to facilitate the morals, beauty of thoughts, to fill conduct for aspiration, development of the ignorant, upliftment of the society (social, political, economical) which is possible by bringing peace with the help of values, ethics and morals in the ideology of a person that should be inculcated from the first day of school where moral science should not be taught as a subject only to learn by heart but to develop an understanding towards the progressive goal humanity and to come out from the ill ethics of society where people are dying in their closed rooms, killing foetus in their wombs, ruining the minors, ravishing Girls, Cruelty, Harassment, Murder, Dacoity, Accidents, Music, Pornography, dishonesty, disloyalty, ego, hatred, inequity, flesh trade, selling of human values, dying of culture where it is difficult to sustain in the present environment in which the soul is juggling to live with the adulterated food of immorality. To improve the basic sustenance a code of conduct should be regulated to improve the spiritual contents of beings which must illuminate the shattered bodies.

7. Recommendations and Conclusion

It is very difficult to exemplify the conduct to prosper in the country which is undergoing in the transformation period from culturally affluent to culturally impoverished, morally filled to morally void, religious equity to religiosity, philanthropy to parsimony to equate oneself with the development goal in the luxuries where live in relationship, single mother is a common phenomenon e.g a child born out of the wedlock and without father how she/he understand the love of father and how that unfortunate will be a good father of his son/daughter. India

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possessed the highest number of youths in the country if their energies are utilized for constructive purposes than we will not be contaminated by the poverty and inflation because we streamlined ourselves by chewing the values and become the diggers of soil so we need to establish a society which prosper morals and each individual perform its own duties in his idealistic way which started from the day of birth, parents need to be dutiful towards grandfather/grandmother than only our next generation to respect his /her mother, a teacher have to teach not only the principle of morality but to practice them, if men want that their wives and daughter must be secure at their homes than they have to be gentlemen by providing a safety hand to women, if we want to live in an idealistic society than we need to apply utopian goals, if want to smile than we have to wipe the tears of others ,if want to eat than we have to serve hungry, if we want peace than we have to spread love, if we want to be humans than we need to spread humanity if we need to be morally rich than we have to fight within ourselves, if we want to reach towards perfectionism in the world than we have to practice religion.

Religion cannot be separated from the morality we learned the distinction of good and bad from the preaching’s of prophets who told us that there is a power to control the entire universe but given the choice to only human beings to opt for good or bad, practice right or wrong, to become an angel or beast. Moreover, Morality addresses every aspect of a Human’s life, from greetings to international relations. It is universal in its scope and in its applicability.

A person is expected not only be virtuous, but to also enjoin virtue. He/ She must not only refrain from evil and vice, but must also actively engage in asking people to eschew them. In other words, they must not only be morally healthy, but must also contribute to the moral health of society as a whole.

The morality taught us few things for the sustainable development of the country to save the further generations from the volcanoes of evilness if it is not not controlled in the present day .when “to remain conscious of God, whether in private or in public; to speak justly, whether angry or pleased; to show moderation both when poor and when rich, to reunite friendship with those who have broken off ; to give to him who refuses me; that my silence should be occupied with thought; that my looking should be an admonition; and that I should command what is right.”