

## Effect Of Women Reservation In Panchayats – Realities, Myths, Learnings and Suggestions

**Project ID # 33**

### **Objective**

To conduct a detailed study on role of woman in Panchayats, effect of their reservations, the current state and suggest the further improvements

### **Task:**

1. Understand the structure of the Panchayats, their role in our our economy.
2. Visit the nearby villages and meet the Sarpanch and women and understand their views on women reservation in Panchayats and how it has helped the upgradation of women life in villages.
3. Study the actual law passed by the Government, loopholes if any and analyze what is being actually followed in the villages.
4. Research on the position of women and her rights in India since ancient times and how the reservation in panchayats have helped to improve the same.
5. Understand if the elected woman representatives in Panchayats are actually decision making bodies
6. Form your own suggestions regarding the need of the reservation of women in Panchayats and if required how it should be effectively executed for the Women Empowerment and a fair judicial system.
7. Analyze the literacy rate amongst women in villages and how the lack of the same becomes a setback in role of women in Panchayats.
8. Study the administrative set ups of foreign counties and role of woman in the same.
9. Suggest how more and more woman can be motivated to be a part of administrative system and be an enthusiastic decision making body of our economy.
10. Dpes education of women or reservation of women achieve the desired role of women in society
11. Support your findings with statistical date and pictorial representations.

Prepare a short movie(5-10 min) to support your research.

### **Duration**

9 to 10 weeks

**Project Description**

Village Panchayats are the important decision making bodies of our society and economy and represents the culture and old administrative set up of India. Active participation of woman in the same is a step towards women empowerment in our patriarchal society. However the Constitutional step for the reservation of woman in the Panchayats is still non acceptable for this mans dominated world. Moreover women are being suppressed by their family members and they themselves don't get too enthusiastic to be a part of judicial system due to lack of education and moral support. Through this project we would like to be an eye opener for our Government and public especially woman so that they use this empowerment given by Constitution and be an active member of our administrative system,

**Some Reference to aid the research:**

<http://www.youthkiawaaz.com/2011/08/empowerment-of-rural-women-concern-and-commitment-of-elected-women-representatives/>

<http://orissa.gov.in/e-magazine/Orissareview/2011/Feb-Mar/engpdf/39-41.pdf>

**Healthy environment at Indian Railway stations and adequate maintenance of Railway Tracks.**

**Project ID # 34**

**Objective**

To conduct a research and well surveyed study on how to improve the plight of Indian railway stations and maintain adequate cleanliness on railway tracks.

**Task**

1. Conduct a detailed research on current plight of the railway stations and the tracks.
2. Study the existing Government benchmarks or policies if any for the adequate maintenance of railways stations and tracks.
3. Identify the contractors hired by the Ministry for maintenance of stations and tracks and contact them to study the measures followed by them.
4. Suggest improved measures that can be followed to improve the current plight.
5. Visit the nearby railway stations and talk to the passengers, railway officials, hawkers regarding the cleanliness at the stations and understand their role in maintain the same.
6. Study the infrastructure of Railway stations and research on how to improve the infrastructure facilities such as clean and healthy toilets, drinking water, seating arrangements and cleaner waiting halls.
7. Understand the waste disposal system followed by the departments to keep the tracks clean.
8. Identify if there are proper drainage and sewage systems installed at the stations and suggest improvements in the most cost effective ways.
9. Research on how these facilities are better managed in foreign countries.
10. Visit people living near railway lines and study the problems faced by them due to wastes and dirty water flowing from these tracks.
11. Study the finance proposed by the Government in budgets to improve the stations and maintenance of tracks and identify how the same is being used or misused.
12. Support your findings with illustrations and pictures wherever required.
13. Prepare a power point presentation to market these suggestions and better understanding to the Ministry and public at large.

Present a short movie [5-10 min] to support your research and findings

**Duration**

9 to 10 weeks

**Project Description**

Railway stations are the places where trains stop and collect and drop passengers. It is regarded as a shop window for the services provided. It should be well planned and maintained, comfortable and convenient for the passengers. The unauthorized public should not be allowed to enter railway stations as they just create nuisance and hamper the healthy environment. The cleanliness of Railway tracks is too important for the healthy life of people living nearby railway lines. Adequate drainage and waste disposal systems should be installed to ensure the health and hygiene of public. The project intends to guide the Ministry and the public in order to maintain these railway stations and tracks in an efficient and cleaner ways.

Some Reference to aid the research:

[http://www.cag.gov.in/html/reports/railways/2007\\_6\\_peraud/chap\\_2.pdf](http://www.cag.gov.in/html/reports/railways/2007_6_peraud/chap_2.pdf)

<http://www.authorstream.com/Presentation/aSGuest31331-271612-cleanliness-railway-premises-colonies-septic-tanks-dug-wells-education-ppt-powerpoint/>

<http://www.railway-technical.com/stations.shtml>

All Fresh Graduates are required to work in Public/Private sponsored projects in rural area for minimum of one year. This would translate into requirement for hiring companies to run such projects.

**Project ID # 49**

### **Objective**

To develop a well surveyed proposal to make it mandatory for fresh graduates to work in public/private sponsored projects in rural areas for a minimum period of one year so that they recruited by companies later.

### **Task:**

1. Develop the proposal on how to make it mandatory for fresh graduates to work in rural areas.
2. Study in detail the different rural projects that can be introduced so as to make it viable for students of different streams.
3. Research if there are any case studies related to these rural projects .
4. Various streams like medical usually post doctors in certain rural areas, their experiences should be analysed to measure the viability of this proposal.
5. Understand the functioning of corporate world and their requirements to hire graduates.
6. Suggest how it can be made mandatory by companies to hire graduates only who have worked in rural areas for minimum period of one year.
7. Study the applicable laws in other countries regarding mandatory requirements for students, if any.
8. Talk to government officials or other experienced professionals for their views on this proposal.
9. Support your proposal with illustrations.

Prepare a short movie (5-10 min) to support your research.

### **Project Duration:**

9-10 weeks

### **Project Description**

A total of 72% of India's population lives in rural areas and they are most underdeveloped parts of India. Learned graduates do not want to live in such rural areas

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and make efforts to develop them. This proposal is intended to force these learned professionals to visit these rural areas and do some good to people staying their ,ultimately leading to development of our developing nation.

## Models to encourage youth and women for mandatory voting

**Project ID # 19**

### **Objective**

Sinensitize the youth and women of the country to participate in elections and strengthen the democracy.

### **Task**

1. Identify the voting pattern of youth and women in different states of the country
2. Evolve the communication strategies involve to generate voter participation.
3. Examine the reasons of voters reluctance
4. Study the Adult Franchise of Different Countries and how they motivate youth to participate in democracy.
5. Analyse the innovative voter campaigns in five states that went into polls recently.
6. Study the social issues with women, to go outside and vote.
7. Statistics of voters(youth and women) in different states, and how do they influence the election results
8. Design a campaign to increase voter awareness
9. Suggest reforms related to voting process and facilities
10. Study the impact of various Ad campaigns in previous years by political and private parties urging citizens to come out and vote

Present a short movie [5-10 min] to support your research and findings

### **Duration**

9 to 10 weeks

### **Project Description**

In his Gettysburg Address, Abraham Lincoln called democracy “government of the people, by the people and for the people.” It means that we are not here to serve our government, but that our government is here to serve us — and we have the right to decide who will represent us and how we want to be represented. It means that we have one of the greatest rights any free people can have: the right to vote.

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Maybe youngsters asking themselves, "With all the millions of people who vote in any given election, does my vote really count?" Or perhaps you feel like you can't really make a difference, so why bother? The truth is that your vote does count and you do make a difference every time you vote! Individual's vote holds the local and national leaders responsible for the decisions they make. A vote sends a message about the issues you think are important. A vote affirms our rights as free citizens to elect our government and take part in democracy. Without voting, there could be no democracy.

## Efficacy of Law as a Tool to provide relief to accident victims

**Project ID # 68**

### **Objective**

To study, research and analyse the efficacy of law as a tool to address the problems of road accident victims: The case of Motor Vehicle Act/Rules in India

### **Task**

1. To identify gaps in existing Motor Vehicle Act/Rules and their implementation, which prevent the legal and judicial framework from becoming victim-friendly.
2. To make suggestions on appropriate legal and judicial reforms to bridge the gaps identified in Task 1.
3. To prepare a flow chart depicting the legal procedure for road accident victims, from the moment an accident happens to the point when relief is granted by the Court.
4. To prepare a chronological list of:
  - a) the duties of an Investigating Officer (Police) –
    - i. when a complaint of road accident is received by a Police Station.
    - ii. when the Investigating Officer (Police) has completed his investigations.
  - b) the duties of a Medical Officer when an accident victim is brought to hospital.
  - c) the duties of the Legal Counsel (Advocate) of the accident victim.
  - d) the duties of the Insurance Company from whom claim is being sought by the victim.
  - e) the procedure to be followed by Motor Accident Claims Tribunal /Judges in MACT.
  - f) all provisions of the Motor Vehicle Act/Rules (at various stages of the case) for a victim of road accident.
5. To study and enumerate best practices followed by 3 of the developed countries for giving just relief to victims of road accidents.

## Metrics for Judges and Courts

**Project ID # 10**

### Objective

To improve the judicial efficiency, transparency and accountability, we need to judge the judges and court's performance. The project requires researcher to put forward the metrics required to measure the performance for the court and judges

### Task

1. Study the processes of judicial accountability in different countries and find relevant processes of response that can be instituted in Indian courts.
2. Research the work done by others in the area and report on similar efforts already in progress in India.
3. Read and understand the latest judicial accountability bills proposed by the parliament
4. Read any related report put forward by law commission of India
5. Research various progressive programs implemented by various courts in the country and highlight the ones that are received well by the public.
6. Come up with a metrics to compare and rate Judges
7. Come up with the metrics to judge the courts in the country (number of cases resolved, time to finish the case, number of judgments reversed in higher courts etc.)

Present a short movie [5-10 min] to support your research and findings

### Duration

9 to 10 weeks

### Project Description

The Constitution established the High Courts and the Supreme Court as watchdog institutions, independent of the executive and the legislature, to not merely dispense justice, but also to ensure that the executive and the legislature did not exceed the authority conferred upon them by the Constitution.

However, at present, the judicial accountability is not transparent. Thus, it is essential to bring out suitable reforms to make it transparent, approachable to common man and make judiciary accountable to common man.