# **Women Empowerment**

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Women's empowerment refers to educating women in order for them to become financially independent and capable of making their own decisions. It also implies that they are protected against all forms of violence, regardless of discrimination. Women's empowerment can be characterized as boosting women's self-esteem, ability to make their own decisions, and right to influence societal change for themselves and others. Women's empowerment is a fundamental right. They can have equal access to education, society, economics, and politics. They are permitted to pursue higher education and are treated in the same manner as males.

In this article, you will know about the importance of women's empowerment. People that are empowered have authority and control over their own life. People receive the assistance they require that is appropriate for them. Empowerment means that people are equal citizens. They are well-liked and respected in their communities.

### Benefits of Empowering Women in India

As a result, providing equal opportunities for women in India would enable them to contribute to the economy as productive citizens. Women can thrive economically and rise out of poverty with higher literacy rates and equal pay for equal work. We strengthen local economies, businesses perform better and families rise out of poverty to create generational wealth and self-sufficiency. Women's empowerment is critical for the health and social development of families, communities, and countries. When women live safe, fulfilled, and productive lives, they can reach their full potential in the workforce and raise happier and healthier children. Girls who receive an education are less likely to marry young and live healthier and productive lives. They earn higher incomes, participate in the decisions that most affect them and build better futures for themselves and their families.

Girls' education strengthens economies and reduces inequality.

#### Government role in Women empowerment

The Government of India has taken various steps to ensure women's empowerment through social, educational, economic, and political upliftment through various schematic interventions. While the schemes implemented by the Government like Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban & Rural), the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), the initiatives like Samagra Shiksha, Scheme of National Overseas Scholarship, Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojna, Swacch Vidyalaya Mission, etc. ensure that schools are girl-friendly especially for vulnerable sections of society and have adequate facilities in place to fulfil their special requirements.

To improve female workers' employability, the government is training them through a network of Women Industrial Training Institutes, National Vocational Training Institutes, and Regional Vocational Training Institutes. The government has also launched the Skill India Mission to help women achieve economic independence through skill development and vocational training. The National Skill Development Policy emphasizes inclusive skill development with the goal of increasing female participation for increased economic productivity. The Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Kendras emphasize the creation of additional infrastructure for both training and apprenticeship for women; flexible training delivery mechanisms, flexible afternoon batches on local need-based training to accommodate women; and ensuring a safe and gender sensitive training environment, the employment of women trainers, equity in remuneration, and a complaint redressal mechanism.

There are programs in place to assist women in starting their own businesses, such as the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana and Stand-Up India, as well as the Prime Minister's Employment Generation



Programme (PMEGP). The Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojna (PMUY) aims to protect women's health by providing them with clean cooking fuel while also relieving them of the arduous task of collecting firewood. Further, the National Education Policy (NEP), 2020 prioritizes gender equity and envisions ensuring equitable access to quality education to all students, with a special emphasis on Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs).

#### Conclusion

Women empowerment's contribute to a better society and world a better place to live in and much forward on way to inclusive participation. It refers to increasing happiness in the family and in organizations where women make a difference. A woman is capable of doing everything a man does, and even more. One day, every woman in the country will be truly empowered.

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