

## Importance of Work Education

It is a fact before getting freedom from British Empire in 1906 Indian National Congress brought forward the need of National Education for children. The solution to this problem was in such an educational policy which could conserve national welfare, follow the path of achieving national objectives, which may try to accomplish needs of society after considering them on basic level and which has the possibilities of development through literature, science, art and technology. Such an educational system was hypothesized, which may connect the breaking society.



Work education was seen as a great necessity to fulfil this objective. Importance of work education can be understood in the following perspective.

1. It develops regular habits and positive attitude to fulfil the basic needs of their body.
2. To sensitize and bring awareness towards their ambience and develops understanding of inter relation of humanity and environment.
3. Develops understanding and feeling of pride towards the importance of physical work and labour.
4. It helps in developing socially desirable values. Regularity, punctuality, cleanliness, self control, perseverance, dutifulness, feelings to serve, feelings of responsibility, laboriousness, sensitivity towards equality, fraternity etc. cannot be developed by mere reading books or listening to preachings, but can be developed at the time when the students perform different activities with each other. Then socially desirable virtues/values flourish naturally.
5. Work education provides information about the rules related to nutrition, food, infection diseases and hygiene. They become alert and aware in maintaining community cleanliness through work education.

6. To nurture the qualities of self expression and creativity. Every child has the possibility of creativity and artistic expression as a natural sign. Work education provides opportunity for self expression on individual basis after organizing artistic activities.
7. It nurtures ability to appreciate the feelings of conservation of local and national cultural legacy.
8. It helps in initiating feelings of leadership and leadership skill. Some children are naturally introverted and hesitate in initiating. Work education provides such experiences so that leadership can be developed and nurtured through easy activities.
9. Development of necessary life skills–The real and ideal responsibility of education is to prepare children to face challenges of life. Work education helps in developing necessary life skills like problem solving, decision making, creative thinking, critical thinking, empathy, effective communication and enables children face the demands and challenges of daily life effectively.
10. Establish relationship of work with education–Work education provides opportunity to know various work conditions and to participate in them. It inspires to know the work and routine of workers’.
11. Relationship in school and community– In the whole school programme work education is probably one such subject which brings school closer to the society effectively- work education takes care of each condition of cultural and social background of community. It invites artisans to display their talents and art.

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