



SAAKSHARA BHARAT - LIFE LONG LEARNING

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ABSTRACT

Development is for man, of man, whole of man and what is concerned with the last man, said Julius Nyerere, president of Tanzania. Mr. Nyerere believed that illiteracy is a barrier for the development and fought against illiteracy and achieved great success in his country. Studies have proved that basic literacy is correlated with the development. That's the reason why Mahatma Gandhi also said that Illiteracy is sin and it should be wiped out immediately. Even after sixty-three years of independence to our country, the literacy of our country according 2011 census is 74 percent and in absolute number, 280 million persons are non-literates. Although efforts are made to liquidate illiteracy in the form of launching National Adult education programme in 1978 and later National literacy mission in 1988, we could not achieve total literacy for various reasons. This paper tries to elucidate how adult education programmes like Saakshabharat and other are working as agents for lifelong learning process.

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