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THE RISE OF INDIAN NATIONALISM AND THE ROLE OF TILAK

Tilak is righty regarded as the first & foremost nationalist leader, who lit the fire of patriotism and Nationalism in the heart of common people. He was again the first and fore most leader, who under-stood the significance of mass action and associated the masses with Indian National Congress, which was hitherto an elitist organization. Nationalism is commonly believed to be an emotional feeling of common heritage, history and sense of belongingness and of course a common struggle against a common enemy. According to Britishers, India may be a country in the geographical sense of the term but it was never a Nation and it cannot assume the form of a Nation because of its diversity and disunity. British kept humiliating India by declaring Indians to a white man's burden because of lacking culture, literature and Civilization. They are unfit to rule themselves. It was against this backdrop that we can understand the significance of Tilak's words, "Swaraj is my birth-right & I shall have it". These simple yet powerful words aroused a sleeping Nation to action, and making Indian aware of their plight under an imperialist rule. Tilak devoted himself to debunk the false narrations of Britishers first by his deep and through knowledge of Indian history, mythology and culture. Tilak was a man of renaissance and like his predecessors in the west, he too drew the substance and sustenance for his thoughts from the vital ideas of the past emanating from Vedas and Vedantas. He wanted to bring to the forefront the message of Vedas like Maharshi Dayananda Sarasvati. He Considered Ramayana and Mahabharata as true National scriptures, inspiring every nook and corner of India. The Troika of Gita, Ramayana & Mahabharata constitute the real personality of an idea of India and Indian Nationalism. They together provide spiritual energy to all people of India irrespective of their caste and region and place of birth. According to him "the recovery of healthy and vital traditions of our ancient culture was essential to form a true Nationalist desire. It was on the very belief that he organized Ganpati and Shivaji festivals. According to Tilak India is and has always been a nation, due to its common glorious history, culture and civilization. Tilak wanted to build the edifice of Indian Nationalism on the solid foundations of Swaraj, Swadeshi and Shiksha. Being a selfless Rishi he submerged himself to the task of educating young Indians by establishing the Poona New English School, apart from the Deccan Educational Society and Fergusson College.

The policy of Swadeshi by Tilak almost paralyzed the British finances in India during Swadeshi Movement. Lokmanya was the vocal subscriber of the 'Drain- theory'. In order to encourage the indigenous institutions, he helped establish the Samarth Vidyalaya. By the sheer force of his character, fearlessness and renunciation, he infused the spirit of assertiveness and patriotism among the people of India. His appeal is timeless.

He worked throughout his life to awaken the people of India. He was one of the earliest nationalist leaders, who recognized the role of independent press in the rise of nationalism. Through his papers 'Kesari' in Marathi and the 'Maratha' in English, he blunted the colonial propaganda. He did not believed in the absolute non-violence of Buddhist and Jainism.

न श्रेयः सततं तेजो न नित्यं श्रेयसी क्षमा । इति तात विजानीहि द्वयमेतदसंशयम् ।।

Being an authority of Vedas and Gita, he believed in the efficacy of righteous war.

तस्मादुत्तिष्ठ कौन्तेय युद्धाय कृतनिश्चयः ।।

Tilak was imbedded to the cultural and civilizational values of India and he wanted to build the solid foundations of Nationalism by incorporating these everlasting values. Therefore, it was essential to revitalize and revive them to build a strong new India. The new generations of Indians have to be aware of the great valor of our forefathers like Rana Pratap, Shivaji and Peshwa Bajirao, who fought the foreigners to reclaim the lost Swaraj. For Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak, Swaraj was not merely a kind of home-rule or self-rule, but rather it was fundamental condition of human freedom, equality and dignity. It was infact our 'swadharma' or our fundamental duty to achieve it.

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