

India's Contributions to the World Culture

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We all know that India's contribution to world peace is significant. Since the very ancient times, India had great advocates of peace and harmony. The saints and sages of the past like Buddha, Mahavira and Sankaracharya were spokesmen of peaceful co-existence. They taught us love, sympathy and consideration for all living creatures around us.

In modern times we have Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi, whom the world praises by the name Mahatma. His ideas of peace and non-violence are the testimonials of India's contribution to World Peace. His messages were sources of great inspiration for many nations and people throughout. World Leaders like Martin Luther King and Nelson Mandela carried out his principles for securing freedom for their natives. And in India's struggle of Independence his unique concept of nonviolence and civil disobedience were that great and appealing that it brought appreciation even from the mouth of the British.

Jawaharlal Nehru is another major figure. His love for children and fight for their rights is more than worth noticing. He once said that "Children are blossom-buds eager to bloom Let them bloom and spread fragrance in air"

From then onwards, India's contribution to World Peace is remarkable. The greatest contribution was done by Mother Teresa and Baba Amte. For the social services she has done, Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979. She cared the poor and the miserable and provided them with means of living and happiness. In the history of India, she is ever a lighted lamp of peace and social services.

Baba Amte on other hand made himself a lesson for the world by helping the poor and disabled people affected by Leprosy. He got the Magsasay Award in 1985 and United Nations Human Rights Prize in 1988. He died recently in February 2008, but has done enough to avail his services through his followers.

India as a nation has done enough for ensuring world peace and harmony. India is always a constant force in their attitude against war and other inhuman activities. Through the U.N and Common Wealth, India has made its voice of non-violence and peace echo throughout the World. India has provided its helping hands for many nations at the time of war and other natural calamities-- like War in Afganistan, Earth Quakes in Turkey, Iraq and Pakistan. India, proved a model for many nations by sticking to their secular principles and keeping people of many sect and religions under one shade. Apart from the terrorist activities, mostly forced from outside, India is successful in providing peace for its citizens as well.