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Not All Who Wander are lost.

A Boy from Chennai went till the world chess championship and won it at a very young age of 18. But How is this possible? The boy with an aim of becoming world champion since the childhood wandered for tactics, mentoring, guidance and practise. Through this continuous rigorous practise and learning from experienced people able to win the experienced Ding Liren is 2024 championship. And the name of the boy is Anukesh Dammaraaju.

The story of Anukesh shows not all the people who



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wanderer will be lost. Wandering for an purpose and taking right direction in that path will help us to achieve success.

But first of all what is wandering? Wandering is an act of searching something with an desired objective or purpose. For example, Buddha wandering of good life made him a philosopher and founder of religion Buddhism which preaches peace throughout the world.

Then what is the need for wandering? At individual level wandering help you to become self aware. According to

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Aristotle self awareness will help you to achieve new heights. For instance, Sachin Tendulkar self-awareness makes him to achieve new heights and make him become "god of Cricket".

Similarly at societal level, wandering will help analyse the status quo of society. This will help in eliminating discriminatory practices. Justice once considered as retributive Justice now changed into reformist Justice. Community service is one Bharatiya Nyaya Samhita reflects this.

Additionally, at national level, wandering help in finding one opportunities and

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Challenges. India identified its strength and started to propagate it at global level. India soft power through vaccine Maitri, International yoga day and voice of global south are example of India's strength.

Thus wandering helps to achieve success through self awareness, society progression and helps find opportunities. But what is the reason for not coming while wandering?

Fristly, wanderers have desired objective. This makes them to not deviate the path from achieving it. For instance, Indian cricket team after losing

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Ice world cup in 2023 wandered for t20 world cup in 2024 through practise, guidance from mentors and maintaining discipline and able to achieve victory.

Secondly, wanderers have the quality of perseverance, resilience and emotional intelligence to make smart decision. This qualities help them to overcome challenges if any they face while wandering. ISRO after failure in Chandrayaan - 2 mission had these qualities and found the reason for failure and launched another mission - Chandrayaan - 3 in 2023 to become first country

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to land rover on moon's south pole.

Thirdly, wanderers are self aware. Self awareness will help them to identify challenges and make them to take steps to overcome it. India being a self-awareness nation able to work on green revolution after identifying the threats it had in PL 480 programme in 1960's. Now, India is one of the largest producer of rice globally.

Fourthly, they are action oriented. For them, "cost of doing wrong is less than cost of doing nothing". India even in first wave of COVID-19 does not waited for time to take action against. Rather, it

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Started wandering for COVID-19 vaccine through rigorous research. Through failure and experience only India able to find vaccine - 'covaxin' for COVID-19.

Lastly, wanderers focus on means and not ends. Focus on means help wanderers to focus on their desired objective for long. For instance, Mahatma Gandhi throughout his life focused on means. His method of satyagraha and civil disobedience was also based on non-violence means to achieve Independence.

However is it very easy to wander without being lost?



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No, the wanderers may feel exhausted and demotivated after starting. Alexander troops with an aim of conquering world wandered throughout the world but felt exhausted and demotivated when they reached India.

Moreover, they also face the cognitive dissonance whether the path took for wandering is right or not. Hitler felt the same when he wandered for oil to sustain the world war - II. But he lost due to this cognitive dissonance.

Then all people will not be lost while wandering if they



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have the desired qualities of being objective, focus on means and action oriented? NO, sometimes the circumstances, time also determine to not be lost while wandering. For instance, despite being well built, regular inspection the titanic ship lost in the ocean. So, circumstances and time also play an important role while wandering.

So, what we should do now? we should be resilient, optimistic and perseverant to not lost while wandering. This makes him to achieve his desired objective. Even problems in today's world like climate

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change and pollution can be solved through wandering. For instance, wandering to limit green house gases less than 2°C led to development of solar engineering technologies.

Similarly, the norm towards achieving perfect idealised world as Aristotle envisioned in form of impramental society is done through wandering of debate and discussion. But All of this needed courage, resilient and emotional intelligence.

"ship does not sink due to water outside rather sink water enters it".

Overall, wandering helps us



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being self aware, identify our strength and weakness and provide path to our desired objective. Although we face challenges while wandering we should be resilient, optimistic and perseverant. So, let us take the risk of wandering, let us be positive and resilient, let us make innovation through risk and let us make the world better place to live. As Gandhi said, "Be the change that you wish to see in the world."

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FOREST PRECEDE CIVILISATION AND DESERTS FOLLOW THEM.

For any civilisation to evolve there should be some ecosystem that provides raw materials to sustain them. But that ecosystem should have high biodiversity and provide wide variety of goods and services to them. This is provided by the Forest ecosystem. But what will happen after that?

The people who are benefiting from this ~~civilisation~~ services from civilisation. Civilisation with wide range of economic activities and with interdependence between them. But overtime they exploit the



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forest ecosystem through deforestation,
greediness and turn them into
Desert - A Desert with little use for
others.

This is what happened in
Indus valley civilisation. A prosperous
civilisation was developed by
~~Forest~~ people with resources from
forest and degrades into desert
due to Overexploitation. This proves
the old age adage "Forest precede
civilisation and Deserts follow
them".

But before exploring the
essay let me see what is a
forest, civilisation and Deserts?

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FOREST, CIVILISATION AND DESERT- MEANING

Forest is an climax community with high biodiversity that provides wide range of ecosystem services in both direct and indirect ways.

Similarly, Deserts are ecosystem that have low biodiversity with extremely low or high temperature where life cannot sustain. For example, Amazon represents an Forest and Sahara represents an desert.

But civilisation is society which has its own highly developed culture and way of life. As said previously, Indus valley civilisation is the first and oldest civilisation in India. It takes years to develop. But do we need



anything for its development or civilisation develop by its own?

FOREST - THE ROOF OF CIVILISATION

Civilisation are not able to form independently. It need economy, society and functional specialisation of people who does different roles in different sphere. For this, we need forest to extract raw materials for food, housing and clothes. Moreover forest also provides base for economy in form of hunting and gathering.

Additionally, it is the base for society. Because in forest there will be wild animals that threaten our survival and struggle for life. cooperation among



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people is the only way to overcome the threat posed by animals. This cooperation led to family, community, state and Nation. But here the forest only represents the natural Forest?

Individually, Forest represent the parents and civilisation represent the child. The parents need to give the child better values in form of empathy, compassion and leadership. This will help the child to become a better civilian tomorrow. Shivaji's mom Jijabai role of better parenting makes him a secular, hard-working and resilient ruler in future.

At the Societal level, Forest represents the society and civilisation

represents the people who got impacted by society. The society should be progressive, enlightened and motivates the people in a positive way. For example, British society in 14th century discarded their discriminatory practices and established merit-based Fair society. This made people to progress and captured the world and ruled it for more than 5 centuries. This shows the society as the base for civilisation highness.

Moreover at National level, Forest represent the state and civilisation represent the people or citizen. The quality of state or governance will help create foundation for political values of

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citizen. Indian constitution through values of liberty, equality, Fraternity and social Justice makes the Indian citizens should also pursue the same. India follows this principle not only on National but also at International level. Thus, for better world citizen there is need for better nation state.

But what happens over long time ^{to civilisation} and why deserts follows them.

DESERTS - THE OTHER FACE OF civilisation.

The civilisation over long time over exploits the forest and degrades by themselves. But why?

Firstly, the greediness of people to exploit more and more



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without concerned about metamability leads to degradation of forest.

For example, the greediness of developed world led to industrial pollution and climate change which is now we are witnessing. This environmental hazard is threat to our present day civilisation.

secondly, change is the law of nature. Any forest ecosystem or civilisation need to be changed over time by natural forces itself. This changes can be seen in mesopotamian region where once tropical rainforest thrived which led to civilisation and now it changed into desert. Thus, change automatically makes the desert to follow it.



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Thirdly, civilisation try to ensure their survival by whatever means. It can even go for war with other civilisation to sustain them. But this war destroys both the civilisation resulting in formation of deserts which no one benefits. The development of nuclear weapons in present day reflects this. Although created for deterrence, its use threaten the world existence.

Lastly, civilisation will try to conquer the world which is against the nature. This aspiration will make them to destroy ecosystem, biodiversity and water resources. This destruction will not be able to sustain by nature as it breaks the equilibrium of nature. This unsustainability collapses the

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world and transform them into desert. Thus, deserts follows the civilisation.

But what we must do in order to ensure sustainability than can balance civilisation with Nature?

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT - A GOAL TO PURSUE.

To break this dichotomy we need sustainable development.

In today's era, the world countries had already laid the foundation for sustainable development through organisations like UNFCCC. By following the treaty signed in UNFCCC through adhering to Nationally Determined contribution will help reduce the world changing



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into desert.

Moreover at individual level, we should initiate life - Lifestyle for Environment. By changing small lifestyle initiatives like rainwater conservation, planting a tree and showing compassion, empathy to others as well as environment will help sustainable development of civilisation and nature.

Overall, we need forest for foundational values and we need to ensure sustainable development for balancing the civilisation and Nature. Otherwise, the civilisation will lead to destruction and desert may follow them. All we going to see the destruction of Nature or are

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are we going to ensure sustainable development? Are we all going to see the desert or are we going to see life which is prosperous, enlightened and peace sustained?
Can we all take pledge to ensure sustainable development today or wait for long? Let's see whether will we ~~can~~ ensure sustainable development.

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