Let a girl bloom in fair world

he crimes and violence against the girl child that have emerged in the recent years is a matter of deep concern. Even after her birth, the girl child is discriminated in many ways in terms

of nutrition, education, health; she is also a victim to a number of atrocities and violence such as rape, trafficking, early marriage and pregnancies, and the resultant high maternal and child mortality. A very significant reason for the poor status of the girl child is the perception of society that she is a burden and not an asset. Traditional and cultural customs too reinforce these perceptions.

In spite of the various initiatives there is a felt need to raise the consciousness of the society towards the girl child so that she can be valued and respected. It is imperative to bring to centre stage the different problems faced by the girl child and gender sensitization amongst the various sections of society, and help in transforming mind-sets towards the girl child.

E m powering the girl child positively affects the quality of life of the community and ultimately the entire nation. It is very important for a girl to be educated. Every girl is a future wife and a mother so if a wife is educated it proves to be very helpful for a family to grow and to get recognition in society, if a mother is educated it is very helpful for the children for their proper care and concern. An educated lady proves to be a jew-

ples like Indira Gandhi. Mother Teresa who are very well known ladies of India just because of the work they did. It is also very important that besides regular studies, girls get training in leadership skills, general knowledge/current affairs, dance, theatre, music, sports. health/hygiene and family life issues as well. Life is not as you take it, but it is as you make it. Empowering the young adolescent girls, especially from the lower strata of the society is a serious issue and is the need of the hour.

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