



Need of Mandatory Military Training

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Abstract: *Youth enlistment in the military after completing high school is an urgent necessity. As a result, the country would maintain a huge reserve force to protect its borders. The spirit of patriotism, along with high moral values, ethics, and honesty, as well as strong discipline, will ensure that our kids are productive, utilise their time wisely, and contribute to the self-sufficiency of our nation. As a result, military conscription should be made mandatory for all graduates of Class 12.*

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Introduction

After completion of the 12th grade, students should be required to enlist in the armed forces. A significant number of nations, including Greece, Norway, Armenia, Iran, and Finland, amongst others, have implemented mandatory military conscription for their younger generations. This method, like any other, comes with its fair share of benefits as well as drawbacks; nonetheless, the advantages much outweigh the downsides in this case. It has been observed that a growing number of today's young people lack a sense of direction, discernment, and a sense of belongingness towards their nation. This is a problem that has been increasingly prevalent in recent years. People are brought together to work toward a similar objective and to be of service to the general public through the use of conscription. When the interests of the majority of people converge on the pursuit of the welfare of the community, the citizens of the society learn to appreciate what they have and work together to advance to the next stage of development. According to the Indian Military Academy Manifesto, "the safety, honour, and wellbeing of your country come first, always and every time," which means that the country's interests should always come first. This exhibits a quality of selflessness in the residents of the country and bolsters a spirit of brotherhood in the community, in which each individual member puts his or her personal self-interests to the side and works for the common welfare of the society as a whole.

In countries with democracies, and especially in multi-party countries like India, there is a lot of diversity, freedom, and fierce debates and disagreements. There is also ample opportunity to influence the minds of the youth and create separatism. Mandatory military enlistment would automatically create a common identity, despite the differences and disagreements, and it would create a common platform for people to arrive at compromises in the interest of the nation.

People who serve in the armed forces learn how to maintain a disciplined lifestyle, appreciate the value of time, and honour their obligations. According to a quote attributed to an unknown author, "Discipline is a state of order and compliance developed from training that makes punishment unnecessary." The rigorous and strenuous



workout routine is difficult and taxing not just on the body but also on the mind (Berman et al, 2019). It imparts the valuable education that self-discipline is a friend and ally, and not an adversary to be feared. Character and obedience are developed, and one emerges from the experience a refined gentleman. In addition to this, serving in the military teaches a person how to defend themselves, how to make sacrifices, and how to comprehend the value of quality service.

The course equips participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to confront any situation head-on, maintaining composure while applying their sophisticated analytical abilities. They are instructed to think quickly, critically, and creatively, and to act quickly, all while making use of the few resources that are available to them. Whenever a nation is confronted with any kind of catastrophe, national disaster, endemics, or pandemics, a significant number of volunteer leaders are necessary to take command. However, this number of volunteers is not always particularly forthcoming. After-school programs that include mandatory military training will provide the nation with a large reservoir of trained people resources, which is desperately required for disaster relief efforts.

The increased size and effectiveness of a country's armed forces as a result of mandatory military service will make it less likely that other countries will make plans to attack or invade the United States (Kennedy et al 2019). When a nation has a large battalion of trained armed troops spread out over the various landscapes of the country, it is in a better position to give a debilitating blow to terrorist activities. A natural decline will also occur in other types of criminal activity. Again, not just in terms of self-discipline but also in terms of physical health is another domain in which individuals might profit from military training.



Figure 1: The Soldiers' Unbelievable Story of Victory.

That rigorous exercise, activities, and practices help both male and female cadets become physically, psychologically, and emotionally fit is a central tenet of the cadet program. It would help women feel more confident about themselves and aid in the fight against atrocities committed against women.



Figure 2: Figure: Strong and courageous women cadets.

Credit for the picture goes to the website of the Indian Army. The strenuous physical training that students receive at military academies improves their overall health as well as their vitality and their ability to move quickly and dexterously, laying the groundwork for a fit and healthy older generation in the years to come. The major and best standard is the amount of physical demand, which makes the military a good fit for it. However, there are occasions when the physical norm shifts to accommodate the needs of the warriors. As a result, this lends support to the argument that the military relevance of soldiers (Cohen, 2019). Training helps keep them mentally and physically alert, which contributes to their ability to do their jobs (Cohen, 2019), raise their level of energy and to put in their utmost effort. If it were made mandatory for students to continue their education after the 12th grade, then every student would have the opportunity to advance their education.

In addition to teaching technical skills, life in the armed forces also teaches qualities such as leadership, teamwork, and sportsman spirit, as well as the capacity to accept both successes and setbacks in stride with the same attitude. It improves one's awareness of the present moment. After a person has finished serving in their station, having all of these skills makes them more marketable in the workforce.

Stress is one of the most serious conditions that now affect today's young people. Individuals in the process of completing army training are subjected to a strenuous regimen that puts their mental health to the test. The difficulties they are experiencing appear to be insurmountable, and as a result, the mental strain they are under is, to put it mildly, intense. The trainees are put through a battery of hard mental and physical challenges, which



enables them to tackle every obstacle in life head on with minimal to no stress and enhances the qualities they already possess to do so. They consequently become the most desirable candidates for employment, and recruitment firms in the field of human resources actively seek them out.

The trainees emerge from military training with enhanced capabilities in both strategic planning and decision-making. They are skilled in doing a wide variety of duties, including the mundane responsibilities of running a household. Because of their refined attitude, strong sense of responsibility, and levelheadedness, they would make excellent partners in life. It is beneficial in that it helps to enhance some values such as collaboration, loyalty, trustworthiness, and the value that one places on time. They place an emphasis on duty above all other considerations (Derefinko et al 2019). They gain a sense of responsibility, learn to sacrifice for others, and recognize the dignity of labor.

A profound sense of patriotism, which is of critical significance, could be instilled in the younger generation by means of compulsory military service. Because of this, the nation would be brought together under a unified banner of supreme sacrifice for the people of the nation.

The program would infuse a strong sense of responsibility and courage in its participants. People would not only be able to safeguard their own safety, but they would also be able to offer assistance to those who are struggling.



Figure 3: The Practice of Self-Control.



II. Conclusion

A spirit of equality between men and women from different walks of life could be fostered through the implementation of mandatory military service. This would result in the formation of a powerful reserve army that is ready to jump into action at a moment's notice in the event that the nation is beset by any natural or manufactured catastrophes. The level of patriotism would reach an all-time high, and it would weave a single, strong thread of brotherhood that would link the country together. If a country were considering attacking the country, they would give it some serious consideration. The nation's youth would develop into a well-behaved and orderly group. They will develop self-control and a respect for authority as a result of their military training. In addition to this, the discipline they maintain in their lives will be beneficial to others in everyday life. In conclusion, it is important to note that if the goal is to make India great, then compulsory military service must begin at the age of 12. The elimination of nepotism and corruption will not be limited to India; it will also take place in other countries. Training in the military is the only way to turn young people into true soldiers who are willing to die for their country. Additionally, this will assist in the formulation of national defense and security policy. Once more, when someone finishes their military service and returns to a normal, healthy life, it can lead to a successful living situation for them. Nevertheless, putting discrimination to one side, a single nation ought to afford equal chances to its male and female citizens. So that everyone above the age of 12 can start doing this, and so that women can also be independent and have confidence in themselves.

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