

## || Rashtrrothan Sankalp ||

Over sixty years have passed since we won freedom after a prolonged, bitter, painful yet courageous and cheerful struggle. The struggle for independence was indeed a high watermark in the history of our civilisation. However, revivalist forces have slowed down in the past few decades. A general decline in moral values is witnessed in today's India.

Degeneration is noticeable in almost all walks of life. The diseases of ignorance, selfishness, corruption, intoleration, casteism, communalism, separatism, opportunism, violence and rampant commercialization are on the ascendant. Poverty, hunger, malnourishment, illiteracy and exploitation are still the order of the day. Bad roads, poor water supply & electricity, worsening law & order, the 'I don't care about you' attitude of politicians and above all the indifference of the Common Man towards all this.

How long do we allow this disorder to continue?? Should we betray the great sacrifices of our reformers, freedom fighters and revolutionaries? Is this the India dreamt by the Ram Mohan Rays, the Vivekanandas, and the Vidyasagars? Is this the India for which the Lakshmibais, the Bhagat Singhs, the Azads and the Tilaks sacrificed their lives? Is this the India for which the Mahatma, the Nehrus and the Subhash Boses dedicated there lives to?? Do we let things go to dogs???

**"Evil Triumphs, When Good People Sit Quiet."**

**Rashtrrothan Sankalp Trust** (RASTR) is an initiative of the conscious people of India, who believe in action. Our aim is to cleanse the present rotten social and political system completely. Rashtrrothan Sankalp is a socio-political movement comprising of people from different walks of life.



We'll change the world...!

Rashtrrothan Sankalp is committed to community and national service. Rashtrrothan Sankalp has a comprehensive agenda to do just about anything and everything to rid our civilisation of the malaise that has caught up with it. RASTR provides a platform to all those who are eager to make a difference to the society by their efforts. RASTR joins forces with all like-minded men, women and organisations to strive for the goal of a socially, economically, politically & morally developed India, a transformed progressive India, a prosperous India, a resurgent India.

The principal objectives of Rashtrrothan Sankalp are:

- To function as a not-for-profit voluntary organization to strive for a just, happy, prosperous and progressive society and India.
- To work for the overall social, economic, political and moral development of India.
- To function for the benefit of all people transcending Race, Language, Gender, Class, Caste, Creed, Religion or Region.
- To inspire and encourage the citizens to imbibe noble ideas like righteousness, universal love, toleration, and selfless service to the society and country, and virtues like

courage, honesty, integrity, sacrifice, compassion and patriotism.

- To inspire, encourage and motivate citizens to resist & counter evils like greed, selfishness, injustice, exploitation, discrimination, corruption and violence.
- To inspire, encourage and motivate citizens to be active in their social and political lives and to cultivate a sound civic-sense and national consciousness.
- To educate the citizens about their rights and duties in leading an active life of dignity, contentment and in harmony with fellow citizens and nature.
- To protect and advance Ancient Indian Knowledge, and Indian Culture, Literature, Arts and Crafts.
- To inspire, encourage and motivate citizens to protect, preserve and promote the environment with all its constituents like soil, mountains, water-bodies vegetation and animal life, and to promote concepts of ecological balance and sustainable development.
- To promote the idea of universal peace and harmony.
- To develop the scientific temper, humanism and the spirit of inquiry and reform.
- To promote excellence in all spheres of individual and collective activity so that the nation constantly rises to higher levels of endeavor and achievement.
- To provide a platform for and work in association with like-minded people and organisations having similar goals as the objectives of this Trust.

RASTR is an All-India platform and we welcome all people and organisations that share our goal of a just, happy and prosperous India, living in harmony with the Universe to join us in this movement.

## Our Activities

The activities of RASTR at present are in the areas of education, fight against corruption, women empowerment, proper rural & urban development, health care, guidance to youth, culture, protection of environment & sustainable development, etc. We work actively in creating awareness among the people about the need for the creation of an honest and just society, free from evils like greed, selfishness and exploitation, and to make the citizens realise their rights and duties, and also to cultivate good civic sense. We also encourage the people to be active socially and politically, to challenge exploitation, injustice, corruption, inefficiency, and to work for promotion of general peace and harmony among all living beings of the universe.

At Bangalore we have undertaken various activities continuously, one recent activity being the support for education of children from economically underprivileged sections in the Bommanahalli area of the city. We have arranged for school fees, books, uniforms, and food for these children. The chapter has also arranged for courses to improve the communication skills in English, computers & career counseling in different orphanages and for economically underprivileged children.



Supporting economically challenged children for education



Creating awareness about proper use of National Flag

One of our primary objectives is to encourage & motivate the common man / woman to rise to

fight exploitation, corruption and injustice. One such activity that was taken up actively was to condemn the killing of farmers at Nandigram, caught in the heat of agricultural land acquisition for Special Economic Zones (SEZs).



A Workshop on the Right to Information (RTI)

The right to information (RTI) has been a very effective tool in the hands of active citizens across the country. Rashtrrothan Sankalp has also taken up this as a major area of activity. Our associates across the country have spent lot of energy in educating people about this right, its effectiveness in not only solving their long-standing problems but also exposing corruption & inefficiency in public institutions.

Our associates have filed a number of RTI applications relating to various aspects of administration affecting the citizens. Among the subjects that it has taken up, are Cleanliness at public places, Health, Sanitation, Pollution, Education, Elections, National Flag, use of MP's Area Development (MPLADS) funds, etc. The next step in making the administration responsive and efficient would be to challenge inefficiency & corruption by all means including organizing citizens' movement, Public Interest Litigations (PILs), etc.

We encourage people not only to stand against external corruptions like bribing but also to realise the need to guard against internal

corruption, loss of moral values and strength of character. As part of this campaign, we will shortly begin orientation programmes in Educational institutions, Offices, etc. to educate citizens about use of various tools like RTI in the fighting corruption.

Another significant activity in recent times has been the awareness campaign that we carried out on the eve of the Independence Day about the proper use of the National Flag, with the highest dignity it deserves!



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### How can you be part of the movement?

- Join us actively in spreading awareness & activating people for positive changes.
- Spread awareness & activate people for positive changes, as an individual, in your locality & workplace / organisation.
- Support RASTR & the Movement by giving your specialized services & skills like knowledge in Law, Computers, Development, Academics, Media, etc.
- Support the movement with finance or materials. Please note that **we accept only unconditional financial support.**
- Lead an honest, virtuous & righteous life yourself and encourage others to do so.

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