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Humanitarian Approach in Present Social Work Practice

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Abstract:

In recent days socio economic problems in the society are becoming complicated due to changing socio-economical situation in the society. In India we have long-term tradition of social service. The humanitarian value system in the society is effective since centuries. The ideology of religious literature plays important role to establish value system in the society. The concept of modern social work is emerged from humanitarian and democratic ideals of our society. Social Work values are based on respect for the equality and dignity of each person in the society. Human rights and social justice are motivating factors of social work action. Social work is a modern profession which addresses the barriers inequalities and injustices in the society. The mission of the social work is to help people to develop a potential to face their problems, solve them and enrich their lives. Social work utilizes various types of skills, technique and activities for social work intervention. Social Work intervenes in the society through social case work, group work, clinical social work, counseling, community organization, social welfare administration. Social work research, social action etc. The need of hour is that modern professional approach of social work and the traditional foundation of humanitarian approach should go hand in hand for overall social development of the society.

This paper is an effort to explain the importance of humanitarian approach while working as a professional social worker.

Keywords: Social Work, Society, Humanity, Intervention etc.

Introduction:

Corona Virus has deeply influencing on the general life of all over the world. Millions of people are dead due to this and number of infected people suffering from critical illness. Homeless people, migrated nomadic people, people living at Street & Slum areas and Poor marginalized, daily wage workers are not able to complete their primary needs regarding food, Hygiene kit, due to lockdown and its consequences. As a result, they suffer from terrifying adverse effects and their life becomes a big tragedy. Social work is working for the society through the humanitarian approach since its inception and it is defined as inclusive of humanitarian relief and development assistance.

Basically, within the concept of humanitarian assistance, activities are implemented for socioeconomic and environmental improvements. Humanitarian aid is often carried out by nongovernmental organizations with involvement of state agencies in a voluntary manner.

We shall use the term 'humanitarian practice' as it consists of concepts of humanitarian aid and relief. Different thinkers from various disciplines may have used the above terms differently, the way in which humanitarian practice has evolved historically and has been influenced by ongoing humanitarian interventions. Building on this definition, argue that international social work is an interdependence of education and practice which is integrated by four integrated perspectives, that is, a synthesis of global, human rights, ecological, and social development aimed at achieving individual and collective well-being.

Objectives:

- > To review the assistance being provided during disaster situations.
- > To analyze the need of humanitarian approach in social work.
- > To define the essential strategies while providing humanitarian assistance.

Methodology:

This paper is prepared on the basis of secondary data. All over data is collected from different type of research reports, books, journals etc.

Background of Humanitarian Approach in Social Work:

Over eighty years past in 1928, the thought of international social work were self-addressed within the 1st International Conference. within the time since this early work, world social work has emerged as a spirited observe space, encompassing a large vary of social interventions with a powerful social justice and human rights orientation, typically targeting each social and economic direction at intervals a social development paradigm. Social workers have assumed associate moral responsibility to interact in and reply to world considerations. The International Federation of Social Work (IFSW), has promoted a universal code of ethics for social work and whereas this code doesn't specifically speak to humanitarian help, associated with equality, human rights and social harmony area unit internationally outlined and need social workers to interact in socially just activities the least bit levels of social work intervention.

In the former British government social reformers and leaders made a couple of attempts to secure the vulnerable groups; In 1829 the tradition of Sati was outlaw in British territories, and in 1929, the child marriage restraint act was passed, prohibiting marriage of minors below fourteen years. After independence in 1947, Indian leaders, greatly influenced by the United Nations Charter and also the pledge to push universal respect for human rights and basic freedoms, took on the task of writing the Indian Constitution.

Human Rights and Social Work:

Human rights has been an issue of crucial enquiry in several social sciences because it has the potential to assist students transcend social, cultural, and economic boundaries also as build them attentive to world interdependencies. Human rights education overlaps with education for property development. It may give a worth framework for societies like Asian country that ar philosophical system and multi-faith. the combination of the human rights perspective and strategy in welfare work education has evolved additional consciously over the past 20 years, as debates regarding method, content, and the way to judge implementation of human rights education itself, became additional realistic. The world organization has projected that human rights education develops "a common responsibility to form human rights a reality in every community and within the society at giant. In the 1992, International Federation of welfare workers (IFSW) and International Association of faculties of Social Work (IASSW) below the world organization Centre for Human Rights, ready A Manual for faculties of welfare work and also the welfare work Profession. the aim was to develop the data and understanding of all aspects of human rights and make international systems to guard human rights. The aim was to assist social staff utilizes human rights ideas whereas engaging at individual and community altogether spheres of community engagement. social work and human rights are 2 sides of a coin. each ideas are indivisible from welfare work values, ethics, and conjointly theory and apply. Human rights are integral a part of social work.

Humanitarian Approach Essential Strategies:

The emergencies caused by wars, conflicts, and natural disasters everywhere the planet have augmented humanitarian desires in an new method. for instance, in 2017, there have been one.141 million individuals stricken by completely different form of emergencies and in want of humanitarian facilitate or help. Emergencies of various classifications, whether or not natural or unreal, ar short or long, however it provides a standard reason for requiring humanitarian help. It causes famines, status, diseases, and disabilities, and therefore the pressing want for welfare work and humanitarian action, the issues that emerge once the disaster ar dimensional and have an exact impact on the victims, also as on humanitarian staff. They are stricken by high levels of stress and have a selected impact on them, service providing organizations. To beat this case, we discover that relief staff typically tends to use effective methods like social, sports, and recreational activities.

Consequently, the method of aiding once a disaster is arduous and needs several high skills to learn the victims and avoid the employee's stress. we tend to saw in recent COVID – nineteen pandemic numerous national and international organizations were used completely different and helpful methods to handle things. It is required to specialize in skills and professionalize the staff in humanitarian organizations, and this is often thought-about one in all the necessities within the success of humanitarian relief operations. Though several professions add the humanitarian field and

post-disaster humanitarian relief, they typically lack the essential competencies that ar necessary to figure within the humanitarian field. However, there's a desire for professions that serve those stricken by disasters as expeditiously as doable. Consequently, it's essential to lift the potency of humanitarian service suppliers additionally to making continuous learning opportunities for these staff.

Conclusion:

The operational effectiveness of Asian country humanitarian help, may definitely be reinforced by the adoption of a additional thought through approach that coordinates the management of this help among the paperwork, works to strengthen mechanisms for the analysis and ensures that each one humanitarian aid or help provided by the govt. is recorded and singly categorized consistently. The importance of welfare work with vulnerable teams, that will increase the issues visage in times of disaster and conflict, was conjointly highlighted, there's little question that the effectiveness of the humanitarian help provided and also the quality of services are associated with the expertness, skills, and specializations of its staff, because it isn't restricted to providing material aid solely. In distinction, the turbulent atmosphere and psychological trauma left by the destruction on the population need skilled intervention skills completely different from those of the service delivery worker. Consequently, fruitful intervention in international humanitarian help for victims of disasters and wars should be supported the skilled apply of welfare work and a team of social staff UN agency ar qualified to figure in these circumstances.

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