

Feminine Emancipation through Financial Inclusion

Pakistan is a developing country where every individual is seeking for basic human rights. Thus, still more than the half are under the process to have human due rights and very countable fragment is un-movingly disadvantaged from their due rights in regular lives. There are lots of causes behind the lack availability of human rights which congest the basic needs indeed. Men however are enduring the social rigid norms and values by their rational attitudes even more some of them are beyond the rationalization and mostly women as well.

Though, there is contrary gap among men and women association, participation and awareness about the self-emancipation. Men are more involved in all public and private phases because they know the methods to push and pull but women are still far behind comparatively with men due to patriarchal structure created by men with the dogged of male that eradicate women liberation either in public or private phases .

Hence, by the establishment of laws especially for women made them confident and determinant through which they are collating each-others, expressing views, ideas and stereotypes to empower and liberate women and culmination of inferior status from the womanist society. In the Pakistan, women Liberal, Radical, Marxist & Socialist, Cultural and Eco Feminist are deeply involved delivering awareness about women expression and their emancipation, alike Mary Wollstonecraft a Liberal Feminist presented a theory in which she said that, "if you want a woman like man then there must be individual liberation in all sorts of social, domestic and cultural objects that would awake them about their due rights".

Comparatively, after eighties and nineties women are somehow empowered especially educated women but silently educated women are tolerating dissimilar violations at workplaces as well as at inside their homes due to lack awareness of due rights and implemented rules-regulations and laws for freedom of women to act independently.

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However, different social and non-social women are participating to provide knowhow regarding women's due rights by using non-governmental and governmental organization platforms. Consequently, they are getting positive feedback and assembling women at one place to reveal their due rights by organizing workshops, seminars, events and National & International Days like "Women International Day".

As the same way, in Pakistan a number of NGOs are empowering women through offering different types and kinds of opportunities which build their level of self-confidence and Emancipation. However, women from the rural areas were unapproachable to access financial services, Health services, Educational services, Nourishment facilities, Revenue generation Facilities, and lot of other requisite necessities of daily life which were/are still eon away from them. They were discriminated at all phases of regular livings that bestowed them dispiritedness.

In this regards, a regional financial service provider company registered under the section 42 of Companies Ordinance, 1984 i.e. **Safco Support Foundation** offering financial services and opportunities equitably among men and women for their enhancement and back-up to get rid-off from the poverty. In rural as well as urban areas of Sindh SSF is delivering Micro-Credit to small-holing agri, livestock and enterprise traders. Since beginning, SSF has proportionally served its financial services among 0.2 million male – female borrowers and currently SSF is facilitating +42000 clients in operational areas with 50% of equal disbursements. Concerning to this, there are lots of women who have empowered themselves by the viable assistance of SSF and they are allied with the small financial services facilities for the improvement of domestic lives.

Those women are illiterate, less-literate or enough literate who got engaged in self-empowerment. By utilizing financial services of SSF they have become more familiar with social and private issues and giving support to their male members. The women are more empowered to make decisions for livelihood, at some way male are dominated and they use their women to access such financial services of SSF but they failed anyway. Women are fairly very good traders as compared to men in earnings, savings and sustainability of subsistence and that encourage their inner interest to be involved.

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Besides, SSF has polished a number of its male – female clients about the trading for the better life with this reference SSF lenders' have enhanced their standard of lives and have won awards for the best partaker. In all of them three examples are given who have won the best contributors and runners-up in the financial and domestic services which are Sahib Zadi D/o Allah Bachayo Sehto a disable female, Nazia D/o Hidayat Maseeh and Shazia D/o Gull Hassan and presently they are living their lives with dignity and pride and this has become feasible by the energetic up-hold of SSF.



Sahib Zadi



Nazia



Shazia

As well as, SSF delivers orientations and trainings for their capacity building and tactics of savings and revenue generation which is giving valuable feedback and inspiring those are still beyond the boundary walls. SSF will keep this viable assistance carried on in upcoming days for further sovereignty, self-sufficiency, independence of men and especially women of rural and semi urban areas of Sindh as well as other provincial territories of Pakistan.

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