

## Metamorphosis - Making the Implicit Visible for Women Empowerment

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KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, INDIA, March 17, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Recently, Akhil Bharatiya Adarsh Chaurasia Mahasabha renewed its commitment to the equal development and upliftment of Chaurasia community. For this, they emphasised the inclusion of all groups including well to do members, marginalised section from all over the country, women, children, elderly, differently abled, in short everyone.

The president of the organization, Mr. Ramesh Lakhulal Chaurasia was of the opinion that, "Women should no longer be regarded as passive beneficiaries nor simply as caregivers. They have a



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larger role to play and they have been playing it. Sadly, for the longest time that role has gone unnoticed. They have been as much a part of India's freedom movement as they have been a part of its march to become a global power. This is why when we talk of uplifting our community, their inclusion deserves special focus. We have to ensure that there is visible gender equality in

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terms of opportunities which are provided, access to different services, as well as work at grassroot level to end all types of discrimination."

When leaders act, community responds

This reiteration of commitment to improving the status of

women as well as efforts towards an integrative society is extremely important. The people who are at the forefront of any movement are closely watched and slowly emulated. This is why when

Akhil Bharatiya Adarsh Chaurasia Mahasabha under the leadership of Mr. Ramesh Chaurasia clearly states its goals, people take notice. Steps by the organisation to have more women members in key positions will be another achivement as well as an example. The focus on female health, ending dowry, empowering women involved in betel leaf farming, amongst other initiatives is already showing signs of change.

## With integration, better results will be seen

A senior functionary of the Mahasabha was approached to know what are their plans in the future. He said, "The focus of organisation right now is on integrating the <u>Chaurasia-Tamboli</u> community with all sub-sections from every corner of the country. Strength lies in unity. By bringing everyone together and in touch, it will become easier to work on different problems. We wish to make the women aware of their potential. We want them to work with each other in close association at local levels as that can empower women. Whether it is fighting the gender-based violence, accessing healthcare, or learning to get financial help, women can do it better together as many such examples already exist."

It is learned that the organisation is planning many ventures to bring the community closer and together. Data has been collected in the past and will be collected on different issues to plan better strategies for uplifting the members. Issues related to women, their empowerment, growth, and providing equal opportunities to them are amongst the top priority tasks for the community leaders.

## Sensitising women can be the ground breaking deal

Many government initiatives have employed women or have included sensitising females about different issues. These have seen great success. Women have a natural tendency to protect and educate members of the families. Whether the issue is to improve sanitisation and hygiene, or to encourage education of children, or to learn about basic healthcare, sensitising women can lead to breakthroughs. This is what Mr. Ramesh Chaurasia has in mind as he wishes to hold awareness and educational campaigns where women and young girls are included. Apart from this, he is also focusing on ensuring that familes from the community send girls for higher education and avoid early marriages.

The Akhil Bharatiya Adarsh Chaurasia Mahasabha is already working on ensuring that evil practice of dowry is shunned by everyone in the community. Furthermore, they will educate women from poor backgrounds about different government schemes like housing, microfinance schemes for women groups, schemes from other agencies for female education and healthcare, etc.

Ramesh Lakhulal Chaurasia is hopeful that they will have more female leaders, politicians, entrepreneurs, educators, successful farm workers and owners, empowered home makers in the future as a result of these dedicated efforts. These women will mentor other women. He realises that education and re-conditioning of the community as a whole is necessary to ensure women do not face any obstacles from within. No efforts are being spared for the same.

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