

Lessons in Self-Reliance.

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1. 3 fold formula: 3 mutually supportive strategies →
 - (i) Redirection of the investible resources.
 - (ii) Redistributive justice.
 - (iii) ~~not~~ Mobilisation of volunteers - in millions - for Community self-development.
2. The focus of help is the child, the medium is the mother.
3. Gandhi rejected the pretence of govt that it knew better than the people ~~what~~ what was good for them.

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1. Socio-cultural inputs → a precondition for a socially meaningful appln of the inputs, indeed for their equitable absorption.
2. Socio-cultural input → ^{India's} Central tradition of self devt; shared by Gandhi, Tagore and Vivekananda.
3. Revolutionary consciousness necessary for social change cannot be injected from outside but has to sprout from within the mind.
4. Promotion of the collective interest.

5. Ideas do not come from above. Nor can guidelines for action be brought wholesale from abroad. These come from the people that social workers seek to serve. They should look up & listen to the community, to the poor in particular, for they are the means of change as well as its end.

from, ⁶⁶ An unbroken track.

1. Introductory.
2. ⁶⁶ "Work builds, charity destroys" was,
It still is, the motto.
3. Self-training & self-exertion.
4. People enter the devt process as
responsible ⁶⁶ "subjects" - those who
know and ACT. Not objects.
5. Combining to overcome.
6. Gandhian beliefs:
⁶⁶ "Physical labour leads to purity of soul;
Sufficiency for all must precede
superfluity for some."
7. To get rid of social insensitivity
or what Baba Ante terms as -
⁶⁶ "Psychological anaesthesia."
8. ~~to~~ Lok BIRADRI - or the people's brotherhood
9. "Rampagna of Censor" - Vinoba Bhave.
10. Work not FOR people; but WITH them.
⁶⁶ "And the invitation to join is open,
and to all."
- Ante: ⁶⁶ "Creative Compassion." Creative humanism
⁶⁶ "Seek joy through creativity."
11. ⁶⁶ "The target for treatment is Society
itself. And cure comes through Fellowship
of pain."

"Experience is a cruel teacher, it
punishes first & teaches later."

"While the idea of Coop is sound,
its framework ^{should} ~~it not~~ be so rigid as to
obstruct its own objective.