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# Be devoted to the Nation & Dharma!

(English)

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## **Point 4 of Introductory Contents**

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If patriots and freedom fighters had not sacrificed their lives for the sake of the country before Independence, would we have been able to live an independent life today?

It is said that today's children are the future of the country. The future of the country depends on the songs children sing. Earlier, children would recite 'Manache shlok' (Composition of Holy verses by Samartha Ramdas Swami), while today, they hum pop songs. Today, the vyayamshalas (Schools for exercising) have closed down and 'dance classes' have been started. Instead of patriots and freedom fighters, film actors and sportsmen are role models for children. How proud are we really of our Nation & Dharma ? Pride for the Nation & Dharma does not develop by merely singing the National Anthem in schools and praying to God during festivals. To develop pride for the Nation & Dharma, love for them has to come from within. You do not become an ideal citizen through good education, a good job or by leading an honest life alone. Today, even after hundreds of years, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj is remembered as National hero and Samartha Ramdas Swami is remembered as a *Dharmaguru* (Religious leader), only because they were ideals.

They can be called ideals because they lived for the sake of the Nation & Dharma. Dear children, do you not

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feel like being called ideals? For this to happen, you need to develop love your Nation & Dharma. This Text elucidates in very simple words on how to achieve this.

Today in our country, there are many problems such as terrorism, corruption, poverty, unemployment, atrocities on women etc. Leaders say that they will make India a superpower like USA and China. We too dream about this. Despite the fact that these countries are the superpowers, thefts, corruption, hooliganism, conspiracies, etc. continue unabated there. Though these countries possess money and power, there is no happiness. What kind of Nation do we want? Like the one described by Samartha Ramdas Swami, that was established by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. As per 'Hindavi Swarajya' (Hindu Nation) -

All the sinners have drowned; India has become powerful.

Non-devotees have been destroyed; there is *Anand* (Bliss) everywhere.

Anand is everywhere. How was Shivaji Maharaj able to establish a Nation which bestowed happiness to everyone? One reason was the physical strength and the other was the strength of *Dharma*. Saints like Samartha Ramdas Swami blessed Shivaji Maharaj because he abided by Dharma. Just as Shivaji Maharaj abided by Dharma, so did his subjects. As a result, the 'Hindavi Swarajya' was ideal and people in his kingdom happy. If you have ideals of patriots, Saints and Deities such as Shriram &

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Shrikrushna before you and you abide by Dharma, receive education by nurturing moral values and utilise the education to serve the Nation & Dharma, once again a 'Hindavi Swarajya' will certainly be established. Keep in mind that establishing an ideal Nation is your true career.

An earnest prayer unto the Holy feet of the Shri Guru is that after reading this Text, may everyone abide by Dharma and become patriots, and be inspired to fulfil their duties unto the Nation & Dharma! - **Compilers** 

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### Why does Sanatan follow Oxford (UK) English?

Principally, there are 2 types of English all over the world - USA and UK. The two key dictionaries from either side of the Atlantic are Merriam-Webster (USA) and Oxford (UK). Both these dictionaries accept the differences between American and British English and make references to both in their word definitions. The language one speaks is English; the dialect is American English. Likewise, British English is also a dialect of English, even though it can be thought of as the 'original' dialect. Given the fact that UK's is the 'original' English, Sanatan has selected to follow it in spiritual texts.

**Notes:** 1. From the perspective of completing the topic, points from other reference Texts have been included. At the end of such points, the reference number is the superscript in brackets and their details are mentioned in 'Bibliography' at the end of the Text.

2. For non-English and spiritual words used repeatedly in this Text, please see Glossary at the end of the text.