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**ROLE OF ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE FOR INDIA'S DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS**

**ABSTRACT-** *The topic basically discusses about the importance of the academic discipline in the field of education sector in India. Academic Discipline plays a pivotal role where an individual gets familiar with his respective academic discipline in various subjects such as biology, arts, law, physics, technology, commerce, economics etc. With the help of Academic Discipline, an individual can know about the social, political, economic, cultural, geographical etc. conditions of the country and hence academic discipline helps him gaining knowledge and increasing his skills. We shall be studying all these in details.*

**KEYWORDS-** [Academic Discipline, Education, Different Subjects, Increase in Knowledge]

**INTRODUCTION-** The Academic Discipline plays an extremely pivotal and important role in the development of any country's progress and improving the status of its citizens. Since the ancient times, education has played a very crucial role in the development and progress of any country and improving the socio-economic, cultural, political etc. of the common citizens of the country. Academic Discipline being sub-division of the knowledge doesn't mean that a person who is keenly interested in increasing his level of knowledge and knowing a topic thoroughly would not be able to grasp the full knowledge. Rather a person should focus on understanding the depth of a particular subject, otherwise half-heart knowledge that the person would gain while studying about the academic discipline of any particular knowledge derived <sup>1</sup>would be

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<sup>1</sup> Gibbons, Michael; Camile Limoges, Helga Nowotny, Simon Schwartzman, Peter Scott and Martin Trow (1994) *The New Production of Knowledge: The dynamics of Science and Research in Contemporary Societies* London: Sage Ziman, John (2000) *Real Science: What It Is and What It Means*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press History of Education, *Encyclopedia Britannica* (1977, 15h edition), *Macropaedia* Volume 6, p.337 "How The Word 'Scientist' came to be" npr.org National Public Radio Foucault, Michel (1977) *Discipline and Punish: The birth of the prison* Dejurenexus.com

wasted. The proper knowledge and the good material and sources of knowledge for the depth of studying any particular subject like religion, medicine, arts, history, politics, economics, science, etc. would hence be available through an academic discipline and finally it would help a person to increase his skill sets and knowledge about the particular subject. In the case of India, it has boasted some of the highly renowned universities since the ancient times such as Taxila University (Now in Pakistan), Vikramshila University, Nalanda University, Mithila University, Telhara University, Sharada Peeth Temple University, Vallabhi University, Pushpagiri University, Odantapuri University, Somapura University, Bikrampur University, Morena Golden Triangle University, Kanthalloor Sala University, Jagaddala University (Now in Bangladesh), Nadia University, Nagarjuna Vidyapeeth etc. Some of these universities were highly recognized all around the world and students from these countries used to come to these universities to take admissions in these highly deemed educational institutions.

**ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE IN INDIA-** The basic definition that can be given about the academic discipline is that it is a subdivision of knowledge in the field of medicine, science, commerce, economics, arts, politics, mathematics, biology etc. which helps us to inculcate knowledge about the particular discipline of the academics and which are produced by the scholars or the college or school students who master their skills in various subjects and increase their depth of knowledge and makes the common citizens aware about different subjects in the society. Disciplines are defined (in part) and recognized by the academic journals in which research is published, and the learned societies and academic departments or faculties within colleges and universities and universities to which their practitioners belong. Academic disciplines are conventionally divided into the humanities, including art, language and cultural studies and scientific disciplines, such as physics, chemistry and biology, the social sciences are sometimes considered a third category.

Most of these researchers who publish their research work, articles in various journals, newspapers, books etc. are either highly renowned professors or students. For instance a law student will do lots of research in his/her academic discipline i.e. law and thereafter he would write his research work with proper case laws, facts, arguments, important legal maxims related to the field of law etc. A student of mathematics would like to do deep research in the field of mathematics and then only he will come to the final conclusion. Without any proper study or any skills in his particular subject, he would not be able to produce the quality content as his field

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demands from him. In Ancient, Medieval and Modern India, we have seen greatest scientists, astrologers, medical practitioners, economists, architectures etc. (**Such as Bhaskaracharya, Acharya Chanakya, Acharya Sushruta, Kalidasa, Banabhatta, Aryabhata, Tulsidas, APJ Abdul Kalam Azad, Homi J Bhabha, CV Raman etc.**) who had excelled in their respective fields and produced their exemplary works thanks to the academic discipline where people can get huge amount of knowledge through their works and also many renowned economists, scientists, doctors, lawyers, engineers etc. have produced their magnificent works through academic discipline only. Similar academic disciplines can be related to the professions regarding engineering, technology, fashion, computer-related stuffs, fine arts, history, in the field of commerce, accounts, business studies, economics, etc. All these fields have a really vast scope and all these fields require great amount of dedication, knowledge in depth, extraordinary thinking abilities, great level of IQ and important part that can be concluded from the academic discipline is that no person should gain half hearted knowledge otherwise that would become dreadful and hence depth of a knowledge is a must whether he is a scholar or a student and his knowledge in that subject through his research work should reach to the masses and hence it would result in the complete failure and all the hard work and dedication of the researcher which he has done will all go in vain if he is unable to do thorough research work in his academic discipline properly. Academic Discipline is that sub-part of knowledge where people can easy; quick and reliable information about any subject that they want to know in depth and study about them thoroughly so that there is no dearth of knowledge of any subject among the masses.

Academic Discipline is such an important to discuss in a vast and populous country like India because without the academic discipline no one will be able to know about his/her surrounding, about the subjects such as history, technology, biology, fine arts, commerce, business, mathematics etc. which affects his day-to-day life and the person will not be able to gain knowledge about the important aspects of the life. The Researchers of the country work day and night to create awareness among the masses about the various subjects through their research work which gets published in various journals, newspapers etc. Thus, Academic Discipline plays a very important role in the lives of the common citizens of India because it helps them to gain knowledge about various subjects and matters which are related to their day to day livelihoods. For example, when a person studies about the commerce field through the research work, then he is able to get in depth about the subjects which are related to field of commerce and hence he will be able to know in depth about the commerce field and subjects which suits his interest. Another example that can be taken is that if a person wants to know in depth about the socio-economic, cultural, geographical patterns of the country, then he would like to research about it more through some research work, articles which are published in the newspapers about India etc. So academic discipline helps masses to study and enhance their skills, knowledge, improve their communication skills and have a positive outlook for India and plays a very crucial role in shaping the mindsets of the countrymen and makes them feel proud about their own country through this research work. Even in the fields of B.Ed., B.Arch., BSC, PHD in any subject etc

academic discipline plays a very important role and hence helps in increasing the knowledge of the person

**CONCLUSION-** At the end the overall conclusion that can be drawn after all the discussions is that academic discipline is the most important source for increasing the knowledge and improving the mindset of the person and he will be able to learn in depth about the various subjects that are available to him and hence he would be able to study these subjects (such as Biology, Commerce, Arts, Engineering, Law, Medical, Economics etc.) thoroughly and it will help in boosting the education sector of the country, improving the mindsets of the people about their own country, students would be able to learn new and fascinating things, the research scholars would be appreciated for their contribution in the development of the nation, people would be well connected with their glorious past history (such as Indus Valley Civilization, Harappa, Mohenjodaro, Golden Period of Literacy and Arts etc.) with their present, they would be able to know in depth about the current scenarios properly and efficiently through these academic disciplines etc. Further well renowned education institutions in India such as AIIMS, Zakir Hussain College, IITS, IIMS, Maulana Azad Medical College, NLU s, Jamia Millia Islamia, Jawahar Lal University, Delhi University, Jadavpur University, IISC, Mumbai University, Gujarat University, Saurashtra University, Punjab University, Savitribai Bai Phule University Pune, Allahabad University, Banaras Hindu University etc. are promoting researchers and their students encouraging them to write various articles, research works etc. so that there is no dearth of knowledge or lack of information among the common masses in various academic disciplines in various subjects. The Government of India is also working hard to improve the skills of the masses and enrich the cultural, social, economic, political, academics of India and increase the knowledge in each and every part of the country through these academic disciplines

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