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PEER REVIEWED**THE PHILOSOPHICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF TRUTH AND NON-VIOLENCE IN
GANDHIAN PHILOSOPHY**

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Abstract

Gandhi was the father of nation and he supports on the concepts of truth and non-violence. 'Truth' or 'Satya' and 'Non-Violence' or 'Ahimsā' is the main pillar of Gandhi's socio-political philosophy. These two concepts were treated as socio-political weapons and by these weapons he is achieving his aims and ultimate goals. Gandhi said that truth and non-violence are the two sides of a coin and considered that Ahimsā is the means and Truth is the end. Actually, his main aim is to establish peaceful society where he believed that there is no distinction in between man to man in respect of caste, creed and sex; he wanted to establish a good, corruption free society. He was a great supporter of peace and believed that truth and non-violence are the only means through which peace can be gained and the social evils like as untouchability, social disparity and other related problems will be easily solved. In modern time our society is suffering from many problems and we face so many problems at each and every aspect of life. For example terrorism, war, gender discrimination, violence, corruptions, casteism all is the grave challenges to the global peace. Many social reformers advocated the peacekeeping strategies, but Gandhi widely accepted it. His truth and non-violence technique considerably played a pivotal role all over the world for spreading the peace and harmony in the society. Gandhi opined that peace and harmony can be achieved by love, non-violence, truthfulness, friendliness, compromise and cooperation. At once upon a time, he said that truth and non-violence bind us to one another and also to God. According to him all men are essentially equal and there is an element of goodness present in every man, therefore, disturbances, hatred can be removed from life by means of love and sacrifice.

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