



Celebrating the International Day of Peace
and 152 Years of Gandhi Jayanti and
100 Years of Gedong Bagoes Oka Jayanti

Reflections on the Meaning of the Three Gandhian Issues in Interpreting the Practice of Religious Life in Society (Non-Violence, Environment, and Education)

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Education, whether pertaining to science and technology or self-development, perfecting one's character, personality, mentality, or spirituality, is vital throughout the ages, for as long as humans are still on this earth. That is, education is life itself, both for oneself and others. We, too, can be a "reflection of education" for others. The question is whether the practical journey and any benefits of education walk hand-in-hand with such "balance."

Mahatma Gandhi said that one of the "seven social sins" is: "Education without character." This sentence is very relevant to what is happening in society. Education is only limited to formal learning and obtaining academic degrees in the hope of "adjusting" one's level or status or rank in society, which will have implications on one's amount of salaries and level of position. There are no careful thoughts to the "balance" of personality, character, honesty, truth, justice, sincerity, which are very much needed in the socio-cultural life of a pluralistic society, which requires social sensitivity to another, regardless of differences. Any society or environment requires a person or group of people who are aware, educated and have conscience and behaviour that meets the "balance" requirements and leads to humanitarian action and peace.

Especially now, the strengthening influence of the importance of media technology and social media is on the rise, not only as a "lifestyle" for young people but as an "important need" in life. The logical consequence is that social media technology tools have become very important. However, not all people can have them. Even more worrying, not everyone understands the ethical benefits of using them. The most concrete examples are a) during this Covid-19 pandemic, when all learning activities, from early education to tertiary levels, could only be carried out from home using "remote" technology assistance via Zoom, online, or other means. This situation does not allow for direct encounters, encounter processes between fellow human beings, between teachers and pupils, lecturers and students, even in religious spaces, between religious leaders and their followers; b) the buzz of fake news, hoaxes, even bullying friends, other people, and various kinds of information with provocative content.

The topics of the two talk show held for two weeks: "non-violence" and "environment," indicated that EDUCATION is crucial. It is not just related to the sciences and getting a degree, but precisely the "balance," namely: character education and ethics. Yes, education that helps everyone to be sensible, mature in character, responsible, and have social sensitivity in social life: not selfish, not greedy, literate and consistent with honesty, justice, truth, have social sensitivity, compassion and behave non-violently in any form, whether to fellow humans or the universe.

The question of "balance" was crucial for Ms Gedong Bagoes Oka. It was also understandable why for Ms Gedong, "early childhood education" was essential and why Gandhi Kindergarten was opened at the Gandhi Ashram in 1982. Since then, the students have been taught the Gandhian philosophy: non-violence, love of nature, not using plastic, vegetarianism, and many more.

To re-learn the philosophy of Gandhian Education developed by Ms Gedong Bagoes Oka through the Gedong Gandhi Ashram, we invite all of you to attend the Third Series Talkshow for the 152nd Anniversary of Gandhi Jayanti, 100 Years of Ms Gedong Bagoes Oka and the celebration of International Peace Day 2021 with a Reflection on the Meaning of Gandhian's Three

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