

A refined Relation with nature

' A Redefined Relation with Nature ', indeed we do have a redefined relation now. But the question is ' what kind of relation do we have? ' Not everyone is blessed with a garden where they can witness a blooming flower. Not everyone lives among the greeneries where leaves would dance with the rhythm of the winds , and the hairs would sway along with the cold breeze. Not everyone is blessed to bathe in the smoothing sunshine, after those ruthless heavy storms. Yes , life isn't a fairytale & none of us live in a palace ,situated in the lap of nature. Let's have a reality check.

I live in a flat, in a crowded city, surrounded by tall buildings. I am not lucky to see the sunrise or sunset through my windows. The refreshing breeze from east is blocked by the surrounding buildings , and we should not step out of our homes. So how are we supposed to have a redefined relation with nature?

But, I can't deny from the fact that dynamics of our relation with nature has surely changed . Nature has shown us, that we must fear it. Yes, fear Nature. We humans consider ourselves as an evolved race. Being more developed than any other species on this planet, we considered ourselves as the rulers. We started strangulating mother earth. Mother earth was being choked by pollutants and what did we human do? We did the most obvious thing. We held international conferences to discuss the issue . Held round table conferences. Yet continued building more factories and cutting the trees down. The ozone layer was depleting but did we try to minimize the amount of CFC , or any other greenhouse gases. Icebergs ,glaciers were melting due to global warming, but you also wanted a personal vehicle right? We worked ,we worked really hard, for ourselves. But what did we do for mother earth? We only made environmental issues a political agenda. Everyone wants a change, but who actually works to bring that change. We cut the forests , polluted the waters, and when animals came in search of food, we fed them fire crackers.

No doubt, we deserved this pandemic . We deserve to stay locked within homes. We deserve the cyclones . We never thought about mother earth, and it's time for payback. And mother earth isn't going to discriminate between rich or poor. She is going to punish everyone equally. None of us are saints right? We deserve this punishment . We deserve the fear . We needed to be reminded that we are perishable. We need to respect nature and everything that it has offered to us. We should be thankful. We should always remember , nature has given us everything . It's our duty to take care of it. Charles Darwin once said, " Everything ,what is against nature, will not last long." If we humans don't change our outlook towards nature , I may cease to exist. We have always been indebted to nature and right now this is the only relation we should always acknowledge . She is the giver and we are the taker , that's it .

We have seen smoke - filled skies ,dirty ponds, rivers and garbage dumps everywhere. We have never taken an individual initiative to return earth it's previous glory. But, today earth is

cleansing itself. The ozone layer has no holes in it. The smog in Delhi has been cleared. The water in Yamuna is no longer poisonous. Fishes and Swans returned to Venice 's Canal. Turtles arrived at Odisha 's Garhimath Beach . A herd of deer was seen lounging on the Ooty Coimbatore Road. The earth is now once again prosperous with its incredible beauty. But are enjoying this? No, we the mighty humans are locked up inside our homes, full of fear of an inevitable virus. We are now as miserable as the animals kept in a small cage in the zoo for years.

Nature provides us with everything which we need to sustain and survive in the long run. Though being a part of nature , we humans tend to distinguish ourselves from nature and do things which destroys nature's serenity . But on contrary , we humans, should refrain from doing any harm to our environment. So if I am asked about our redefined relationship with nature, then I will say that this pandemic has definitely reminded us the need of co - existence for a peaceful and beautiful world. But I also know, that this compassion for nature is only out of fear. Once everything is normal humans will exploit Nature all over again .

Mother earth made it very clear ,how easy it is for mankind to fade into oblivion . So if I survive this pandemic , I am going to live and surely let live.