Editor's Soliloquy

It's time to make Social Ethics qualification a MUST for People's Representatives.

Let us think positively, in spite of the lowest possible level of political barbs during this (2019) General Election season in India.

More than the intellectual exercise of criticizing the ugly barbs and those who make them, it is time we think of a solid solution to this human inadequacy.

One thought tht came to the Editor's mind is making a special qualifying professional examination for politicians (Sure we will not have any illiterate politician in the present day).

NO ERUDITE AND STRUCTURED SYLLABUS. The examinees' MUST reference books will be speeches of Swami Vivekananda and writings of Mahatma Gandhi (which should be available in all Indian languages), apart from social value texts in the prospective politician's mother tongue.

Experts in the academic line can work out suitable syllabus as well as the nature of examination – both oral and writing.

The trainees should undergo an internship of field work requiring personal contacts of the poorest section of the community in their locality, as planned by the Administrators of the Scheme. Each such Trainee must submit a vision paper on Community Welfare to get the qualifying certificate.

Through Constitutional amendments it must be made compulsory for every aspiring candidate to stand for Assembly/Parliament election, to qualify in this PAD or Political Aspirant Diploma.

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