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Abstract

The moral and ethical duties of citizens are extremely important in the present day world, as people are facing a variety of difficulties and rapid changes. Due to increasing trends of global interconnection, technology breakthroughs, and different cultural exchanges, sense of moral responsibility and ethical awareness are highly required in such scenario. In contrast, people of the 21st century are chasing modern life, modern thoughts and modern modes of living. As a result, the societies of modern world are facing the crises of peace, tolerance, brotherhood, prosperity, respect, love, true relationship, and above all the humanity. The teachings of Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) offers a thorough ethical framework that is still applicable to modern society. The teachings of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) encompasses morals, ethical values and obligations which are needed to be applied in the modern world in order to assure all qualities to be called as an ideal society of the world. This article examines the moral and ethical obligations of people in the contemporary world, emphasizing the applicability of the Prophet Muhammad's (ﷺ) teachings in creating a just and compassionate society.

Keywords: Moral Obligations, Ethical Values, Citizens, Teachings of Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ), Modern World, Society.

Introduction

Citizens have fundamental importance in the foundation of well-developed and civilized society. Therefore, they can play key role in establishing peace, prosperity, equality, brotherhood, social equity, and unity. Considering the ethical and moral obligations as worship, if they continue to fulfil their ethical and moral responsibilities collectively, by adopting the teachings and Sunnah of the beloved prophet (ﷺ), they can change and shape the destiny of society. Islam pays attention to the refinement of the

personal character of a person. It is clear from the teachings of the Holy Book and Sunnah that where a civilized person shows good behavior in conversation and affairs, there he also tries to keep away from bad activities including telling lies, exercising corruption, malpractices, theft, bribery, adulteration, and so on. Islamic culture and religious teachings have emphasized the promotion of moral obligations so much whereas it is hardly found in the teachings of any other religion or nation. But it is a bitter truth that there have been many distortions in today's general Muslim societies. Practically, from houses, shops and markets to religious festivals, traffic systems and political to social chambers, the eyes are longing to see a glimpse of good responsible citizens. Westernization through different channels has turned the minds of Muslims away from the Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) and his teachings. Young generation is busy in their vested interests. They are neglecting the care of their parents. Therefore, the man who was declared as “The Glorious Creation among all the creatures” has forgotten his responsibilities and is chasing western standards of living. Allah (SWT) sent prophets for the guidance of mankind and among all these prophets, the Holy Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) was made the cause of the creation of whole universe and his (ﷺ) morals were declared the highest of all the mankind.

وَأَنَّكَ لَعَلَىٰ خُلُقٍ عَظِيمٍ¹.

“ And you are surely on an excellent standard of character”.

And his character and all his deeds were declared as the model for whole mankind.

لَقَدْ كَانَ لَكُمْ فِي رَسُولِ اللَّهِ أُسْوَةٌ حَسَنَةٌ²

Translated as: “There is indeed a good model for you in the Messenger of Allah”.

The life of Holy Prophet (ﷺ) is the beacon of guidance for all human beings in all ages. His (ﷺ) teachings are based on ethical and moral values which shape an ideal society.

RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS:

A responsible citizen actively contributes to the well-being of their community and society by following the law, respecting the rights and beliefs of others, and carrying out civic tasks such as voting and community service. They stay informed

¹ Al Quran 68:4

² Al-Quran 33 :21

about social, political, and environmental issues and make judgments that show a concern for the common good. Responsible citizens are also accountable, taking responsibility for their actions and the impact they have on others, and they endeavor to create a more inclusive, equitable, and sustainable society. Responsible citizens contribute to a more just and prosperous world for all by promoting cooperation, compassion, and integrity. And while doing all these things, he does not wish for any reward. His only thought is to make his society a successful and satisfying society. He tries to convey his thoughts to others in a good way and respects the opinions of others. While choosing its representative, it takes into account the candidate and his party's manifesto and his performance in national service. He has to take care of his health along with the health of his family and his close people. He pays his duties full time and struggles to get his rights according to the laws of the country. And when the state and individual perform their respective duties well, then the country starts running on the path of development.

If he is someone's husband, then the responsibility of feeding and fulfilling the wife's necessities is on him, and if there is the wife, then the obedience of the husband is her responsibility. If there are neighbors, it is our moral duty to include them in our happiness and it is our social duty not to cause them any pain. If they are sad, it is moral duty to understand their feelings and share their grief. In the same way, a student has the responsibility of showing respect to the teachers. A teacher teaches us many things that even our parents do not teach us. It is therefore ordered to respect teachers as parents.

If there is a ruler, then it is his constitutional duty to treat the subject equally, and if he is a subject, then it is necessary to obey the ruler as long as it does not go against the divine commandments. If he is a political leader, the good governance of the people is his responsibility, and if he is the people, it is his great responsibility and duty to choose a good and decent political leader. This is a very sensitive issue, the future can be dark with your slight negligence, carelessness and perhaps the entire nation may have to bear the consequences of this negligence.

Modern Scenario of Citizens

In modern world, the citizens of Islamic world have bent of their minds towards modern modes of life and responsibilities. Their priorities have been shifted from Islamic principles to personal matters. Due to these and various other factors, the Muslim society has become the victim of degradation and decay morally and ethically. Multifaceted problems have been taken place. Materialism, political groups, religious division and regionalism have prevailed over the sacred as well as blood relations. As a result, all these matters have paralyzed the mentality of individuals to perform moral and ethical obligations in the society. Today's citizens are suffering from various problems and evils because of leaving the Islamic teachings behind.

Social Negligence

There is great deficit of ownership among the citizens. They do not consider their moral obligation to protect the government properties. Instead, they use to distort and misuse them. If there is a link road or other government properties which have been constructed by the government, due to the negligence and indifference of the citizens, these are prone to water damage and vandalism.

In Muslims societies, it has been noticed that schools, hospitals, offices of social institutions and playgrounds are built with huge sums of money, but due to natural calamities and negligence of citizens, they are deteriorated and damaged before the time. Public walls, forests and picnic areas are also destroyed by the people. The walls along the road are heavily influenced by the chalking of social and private institutions. Unnecessary chalking and hateful phrases not only promote hate among the people belonging to different sects and parties but also provokes fear and panic among the tourists.

Due to lack of attention on cleanliness, the citizens of the modern world have faced different modern diseases. Corona Virus was one of the modern disease that embraced the whole world to its arms. It was the burning issue of the world and rarely people could escape from its claws. In order to make this disease under controlled, citizens were asked to follow the SOPs suggested by the international community. Social Distancing, covering face with masks, using sanitizers were some of these

important instructions to follow. But the reason behind the widespread of this heinous disease was negligence of people towards the cleanliness. Because of the lack of attention to the cleanliness, the COVID 19 posed dreadful threats to the citizens and gulped down hundreds of lives.

Addiction of Social Media

Today is the era of media. The usefulness of mass media cannot be denied. If the media shows content based on high moral values, a big change can happen. However, the bitter truth is that most of the satellite channels are causing the deterioration of the social morals and Islamic culture. There are different platforms of social media including facebook, youtube, instagram, tiktok and so on. These and more social media channels have been successful in achieving their goals in the name of liberalism. They include, rise of rate of divorce, augmenting the number of drug addicts, and exacerbating insecurity in the society. Most of these channels are not only weakening the foundation of families but also disrupting children's education and children and remain deprived of moral values and obligations. A recent study published in Psychological Reports looks into the complex relationship between social media addiction and mental health difficulties. Researchers from Turkey and the United Kingdom conducted a research of 603 university students to investigate how social media addiction is linked to mental health issues such as sadness, anxiety, and stress³.

The study highlights that individuals addicted to social media are more likely to exhibit internet addiction and phubbing behaviors, which are associated with increased levels of depression, anxiety, and stress.

Today's youth has become an intellectual slave of social media. Facebook has become the center of the interests of youth. Rather than following the goodness, they are busy in the race of likes and followers on social media channel. Somewhere Tweet has been considered as the tasbeeh and some where tictok has been considered as the worship. Social Media has turned the circumstances in the direction that has changed the famous proverb "Do good and forget it" into "do anything and post on facebook".

³ Ergun, N., Ozkan, Z., & Griffiths, M. (2024). Social media addiction and poor mental health: Examining the mediating roles of internet addiction and phubbing. Psychological Reports. Retrieved from <https://www.psypost.org>

Lack of parent's attention towards their children

The religion of Islam says that a child should not be asked to pray until the age of 7. This means that the age of 7 years is the time for the child to learn mental, physical and neurological, family and religious values and traditions. But in contrast, we send even a 3-year-old child to a Montessori school. As a result, the child who needed physical and mental strength and fitness at home, remains physically and mentally insecure and weak. A recent case study published in *SpringerLink* examines the issue of parental lack of attention and its impacts⁴. This study, titled "To See a Shift in Parents' Knowledge: A Case Study of Family-Professional Collaboration in the United Kingdom," delves into the effects of reduced parental involvement on children's development and well-being. The research highlights how limited parental attention can lead to various adverse outcomes for children, including emotional and behavioral issues. Thus, rather than learning the values from family, the child grows up in the outside of his home, follows these values and manners and becomes the sole cause of deterioration of the family system.

Division of individuals

The growing religious, cultural, regional, class and political divisions have distorted the fabric of the society. Everyone seems to be indulged in egoism, vested interests, materialism and selfishness, no matter how much damage is done to the society and the country. In this regard, sometimes religion and sects are used as a tool, while sometimes political and regional interests seem to prevail. All kinds of tactics are being used to promote their ideology and philosophy. It has gone beyond the opposition to hatred, extremism and dangerous provocation. It seems almost impossible to have a reasoned conversation because the division on the basis of likes and dislikes has become so dangerous that no one is willing to listen to the other. Targeting of individuals has become a norm, due to which the trend of violence in the society is also increasing. All kinds of negative tactics are being used to get their point across, which can temporarily

⁴ Harju-Luukkainen, H., & Kangas, J. (2023). To see a shift in parents' knowledge: A case study of family-professional collaboration in the United Kingdom. *SpringerLink*.
<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10643-023-01411-5>

warm the blood of their supporters and make headlines, but the effects are very dangerous.

Adulteration

This shameful act has been practicing as a common act in our society for a long time and now the matter has worsened to such an extent that this immoral and un-ethical act done at the individual level is now flourishing at the industrial level. The products of big industrial enterprises that once were used to contain pure ingredients, these are also being adulterated and the markets are full of such products. A common consumer does not know whether the product he is buying is genuine or fake.

The issue of adulterated food items is the most dangerous, from milk, curd, oil, ghee and meat to ready-made food items. Hardly anything is escaped from adulteration. Not to mention the small shopkeepers, even big commercial establishments are not behind in this act. Profiteering, dearth in measurement, adulteration and artificial inflation have become norm of Muslim society.

An article “Mechanisms and Health Aspects of Food Adulteration: A Comprehensive Review” reveals health risks associated with adulterated foods, including illnesses like diarrhea, diabetes, and cardiovascular diseases⁵. It also explores historical and recent cases of food adulteration, emphasizing the economic and health impacts.

The meaning of adulteration is not limited to the concrete things mentioned above. Its meaning is very broad and encompasses every dealing of life. Mixing of lies in conversation, mixing of deceit and deception in attitudes and mixing of unkindness in relationships are as similar acts as of mixing of water in milk. Therefore, no aspect of life is secured from this malice.

Thefts

Stealing or theft means secretly taking someone's property. It is forbidden and one of the major sins in Islam. In the hadiths, the loss of economic security, conflict, murder and lack of interest in trade are considered as bad consequences of theft. Thefts

⁵ Momtaz, M., Bubli, S. Y., & Khan, M. S. (2023). Mechanisms and health aspects of food adulteration: A comprehensive review. *Foods*, 12(1), 199.

and vandalism are the biggest obstacles in the development of the region. Our societies are giving Islam a bad name. In today's world, it has been the cry of everyone. No one can feel secure to park a car, motorcycle or bicycle outside because thieves will take it away. A glass is tied to a water tank to prevent it from being stolen. In a holy place like a mosque, people often pray with shoes in front of them so that they don't get stolen. Now a days, no society or country can claim to be free of this evil. Indeed, it has become rampant and talk of every person.

Preferring Economic Stability over Moral Responsibility

A great tragedy of our society is that only economic stability has been made the standard of development at the private and collective level, while high moral values are not given any special importance regarding individual and collective development. A long time ago, people used to pay special attention to checking and evaluating the morals of people while marrying their sisters, daughters, but now it is seen that only the financial status of the bridegroom is given importance. Political parties have also linked the country's development only with economic development in their agenda and no special attention is paid to the elimination of social decay which is moral and no special attention is given to the elimination of what is morally the social decay.

Tradition of old age house

It is the culture of Europe that old people over 60 or 65 years old are sent to old age house. They are encouraging the youth that their parent time has passed and now it is your time to enjoy rather than wasting the time on caring old parents. Considering the old parents as a burden, they leave them in old age house and never turn to them again. This concept is being inculcated in the minds of Muslim community through different means. Because of their hectic life, people are slowly turning to this concept. Moreover, old parents are being shifted to a separate room of the house where attendants are made available to them for their care. A new case study titled "Sons of Solitude: Exploring Old Age Homes in a Changing Kashmir"⁶ investigates the dynamics and issues experienced by senior inhabitants in old age homes in Kashmir, a mostly Muslim region.

⁶ Qureshi, P. M. A. Sons of solitude: Exploring old age homes in a changing Kashmir. Kashmir Observer. (2023, September 8). Retrieved from <https://www.kashmirobsrver.net/2023/09/08/sons-of-solitude-exploring-old-age-homes-in-a-changing-kashmir/>

All these facts make it clear that citizens of the Muslim societies are paying negligence towards their ethical and moral obligations. Citizens are judged on the behalf of social life whether they are civilized or savages. Their services rendered in society make it quite clear to differentiate. In this modern world, it would be not exaggerate to say that Muslim societies are lagging behind moral values as well as moral obligations. This is why the societies are entangled in trouble and turmoil situations.

Islam is a complete code of life that Allah Almighty has given for the guidance of mankind. Its purpose is to establish a civilized, polite and high moral society in which our family system is also strong, social morals are maintained and an environment of health and wellness is also available. It is narrated on the authority of Malik (may God be pleased with him) that:

عَنْ مَالِكٍ أَنَّ رَسُولَ اللَّهِ صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ قَالَ بُعِثْتُ لِأَتَمِّمَ حُسْنَ الْأَخْلَاقِ⁷

Translated as: The Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said, “I have been sent to perfect good character.”

There is no corner of the society is left without the guidance, principles and injunctions of our beloved prophet (ﷺ). If we act upon these guidelines, the society can be saved from troubles and difficulties.

There is no coercive force in Islam. Freedom of Religion

According to Islamic teachings, every human being has freedom of ideology, belief and worship in the society. Every person has the guarantee of religious freedom according to his consciousness and conscience. Islam does not compel any individual to adopt the religion of Islam by force, because the Holy Qur'an and Sunnah of beloved prophet (ﷺ) has made it clear that there is no compulsion in religion.

لَا إِكْرَاهَ فِي الدِّينِ ۚ قَدْ تَبَيَّنَ الرُّشْدُ مِنَ الْغَيِّ⁸

Translated as: There is no compulsion in Faith. The correct way has become distinct from the erroneous.

The Holy Qur'an explains that the Holy Prophet (PBUH) was sent to convey the message of Allah to mankind. He has not been sent to convert Muslims by force. He

⁷ Mouta Imam Malik, Kitab al Jami, Bab Husnul Khulq Ma Jae Fi Husnul Khulq, Hadith No.1614

⁸ Al-Quran 2:256

was sent as a Basheer and Nazeer so that humanity becomes aware of every aspect of the message of truth.

Citizens are sacred to each other

The Holy Prophet (ﷺ) also made it clear in his last historical sermon that the lives, wealth and honor of the believers are sacred to each other. No one has the right to snatch others property and murder for name of honour. All these acts are strongly condemned in Islam.

فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ حَرَّمَ عَلَيْكُمْ دِمَاءَكُمْ، وَأَمْوَالَكُمْ، وَأَعْرَاضَكُمْ كَخُرْمَةِ يَوْمِكُمْ هَذَا، فِي شَهْرِكُمْ هَذَا، فِي بَلَدِكُمْ هَذَا⁹

What can be translated as: “Indeed, Allah has forbidden you your blood, your wealth and your honor, just as the present day is forbidden, this month and this city.”

Therefore, a Muslims has the responsibility to protect others property, and to be polite for them.

Polite Language

Calling poor, servants or opponents with bad names and ridiculing them has become a great means of gaining applause in meetings and gatherings. Without opposing each other’s thoughts and ideas on the basis of reasoning and logical approach, mockery, outrage, abuse and character assassination are considered to be the best means of opposition. The Holy Prophet (ﷺ) has condemned this act of abusing. It is narrated from Hazrat Abu Darda that the Prophet (ﷺ) said:

وعن أبي الدرداء رضي الله عنه: أن النبي صلى الله عليه وسلم قال: “ما من شيء أثقل في ميزان المؤمن يوم القيامة من حسن الخلق، وإن الله يبغض الفاحش البذي¹⁰

Translated as: Nothing will be heavier on the Day of Resurrection in the Scale of the believer than good manners. Allah hates one who utters foul or coarse language.

It is transparent to say that the abuse of language becomes the sole cause of one’s destruction in the life of hereafter. On the other hand, the polite use of language has power to uplift a person to the paradise.

Responsibility of Guardianship

⁹ Muhammad Bin Ismail, **Sahih Al Bukhari**, Kitab al Adab, Bab Qaulhu Ta’ala La Yaskhar Qom min Qom, (Dar ul Hadith, Qahira, 2004), Hadith No.5696

¹⁰ Jami Tirmizi, Vol:1, Hadith No. 2090

If you are a father, you are responsible for the education of your children. This includes good training and paying attention to his education. You should know which friends he hangs out with at school. If you have made him a good and responsible citizen of the society, then your right has been paid. If there is a teacher, then the responsibility of education and training of students is on him. The teacher tells the students the difference between good and bad. Makes them aware of the purpose of life. If a teacher is sincere in his profession, he will be able to give good moral training to his students. He will never teach them the wrong way.

كُلُّكُمْ رَاعٍ، وَكُلُّكُمْ مَسْئُولٌ عَنْ رَعِيَّتِهِ،¹¹

Which can be translated as: "Each one of you is a ruler and each one will be asked about his subjects."

In the light of this narration, every person is responsible for his subordinates. No one can claim to be free from dealings regarding servants, children, students, public. On the day of judgment, every citizen will be asked his responsibility in this connection.

Islam promotes equality

Islam erased all the differences of race and nation and taught universal equality. While teaching human unity, he declared that all human beings are equal. The distinction between Arabs and non-Arabs was abolished and he declared piety as standard of respect. There is no discrimination of descent, color and race, tribe, country, nation and religion. In Islam, everyone has economic, social and political equality. The Holy Prophet said:

“There is no superiority of the Arab over the Gentile, nor the Gentile over the Arab, nor the white over the black, nor the black over the white.”¹²

All Muslims and minorities have equal rights in Islamic society. Any person can get any position by his personal struggle, even if he belongs to a poor family.

Responsibility of serving parents

As a child, it is his duty and responsibility to pray for his parents during their lifetime and to pray for their forgiveness after their death. Parents sacrifice their own desires for their children but fulfill their children's desires. Therefore, it is the duty of the children not to let any deficiency in their service. Allah says,

"And treat your parents well."

In another place, Allah says,

¹¹ Muhammad bin Ismail al Bukhari, **Sahih ul Bukhari**, Kitab al Juma, Bab Al Jum'at fi al Qura wal Madn (Karachi, Qadeemi Kutubkhana, 1961), Vol: 1, Hadith No. 893

¹² Ahmad Bin Hanbal, Al Musanid, Al-Maktab al Islami, Beirut, 1998

"Your Lord has decided that you should not worship anyone but Allah and treat your parents well."

Islam emphasizes children to respect and serve their parents. They should be obedience to their parents, because their disobedience may lead them to the hell.

Responsibility of respecting individuals

Within the society, the society will be internally strong and stable with this happy relationship of compassion for the younger and the politeness and care of the elders, and on the contrary, if the individuals are suffering from the disease of selfishness and individualism, then the peace of the whole society will be destroyed and the purpose for which man was created in a higher mold and sent as the vicegerent, also dies.

There is a hadith of the Holy Prophet (ﷺ) that:

لَيْسَ مِنَّا مَنْ لَمْ يَرْحَمْ صَغِيرَنَا وَ يُوقِّرْ كَبِيرَنَا¹³

Translated as: He, who is not kind towards our youngsters and infants, and does not respect our elderly and senior people, he is not from among us.

In Islam, the aged members of family or society is considered as the source of grace. Therefore, their respect and service is regarded as worship. One, who does not care in this regard, is indeed the out of the fold of Islam.

Responsibility of Cleanliness

Regarding health and cleanliness, the orders which are given by the religion of Islam fourteen hundred years ago and the precautionary measures and the concepts of halal and haram that have been clarified, are followed, at any level, be it any house, family, society, etc. we can sure our sound health and well-being and can make an enviable living.

Islam said wash your hands before eating, eat sitting down, drink water in three breaths, eat food with your right hand and wash your hands after eating. And teachings have also been given that these animals are halal for you and these are forbidden. If we had accepted these concepts that existed fourteen hundred years ago on a sure basis, we would not have to see this day today. Today, science and the world are coming back to the nature. The media is telling us to wash our hands and mouth after every twenty minutes. Whereas the Holy Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said that a person who performs ablution five times a day will not have any dirt left on his body and both his outside and inside will be purified

Responsibility of honest dealing

Adulteration has been declared as an undesirable and ugly act in Islam, very strict promises have been made for adulterers, adulteration in food and drink is an ugly social evil and is also a very undesirable act from a religious point of view and worldly laws. It is also a serious and punishable crime. Islam has guided Muslims to the highest level of justice, i.e. beneficence and altruism. The mass media and scholars should play a role for reforming the people.

¹³ Sunan al-Tirmidhi, Hadith # 1919.

It is narrated from Hazrat Abu Huraira that the Messenger of Allah (ﷺ) passed by a man who was selling grain, so he (ﷺ) inquired from him, at what price are you selling? He told the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, and the revelation was revealed to the Prophet, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, that he should insert his hand into it (the grain), so he inserted his hand into it and it became wet. Then the Messenger of Allah, peace and blessings be upon him, said: He who commits adultery is not one of us¹⁴.

The Shariah has advised us to be honest, considerate, avoid adultery and avoid lies and by adopting these golden rules suggested by our beloved prophet (ﷺ), the entire nation can be saved from all kinds of troubles and calamities. There will be blessings in business and trust of people and international community can be restored.

Conclusion

All the lines of approach lead to a conclusion that Sunnah and teachings of our beloved Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) are the beacon of guidance and manifesto of life for citizens of the Muslim society. The holy Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) laid the foundation of society on integrity, fraternity, equality, sympathy, affection, respect, loyalty, and sincerity. In order to assure all these moral values, the holy Prophet (ﷺ) has made every citizen responsible to fulfil ethical and moral obligations as according to the principles of life suggested by him (ﷺ). He (ﷺ) has defined responsibilities of every individual, be it father, mother, teacher, student, child, shopkeeper, ruler or any other profession that exists in our society. As parent, they have responsibility to nurture up their children and teach them moral values, so that they grow up to be good citizens. As shopkeeper, he has responsibility to sell goods honestly. As teacher, he has the responsibility to make himself an ideal personality for students and educate students to be sincere, honest, confident, and dutiful citizens. As a ruler, he has the responsibility to render his services for the welfare, prosperity, security and betterment of the citizens of the state. The Holy Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) did not only suggested or defined responsibilities of each and everyone but he (ﷺ) has also introduced a vibrant system of making citizens bound to their moral obligations and made them accountable for their every act of misconduct and malpractices. Despite of this whole phenomenon, the Muslim societies are entangled in various vivacious vices. The reason is that, these principles have not been the part of constitution nor the part of law of the state. Culprits and criminals are set free from the punishment as per prescribed in the Islamic Shariah, because of corruption, nepotism and feudalism systems prevailed in the country. This promotes insecurity, violence, addiction of drugs and many more evils. These rampant issue make 'Might is Right' the rule of thumb in todays modern world. All and sundry is at large to do anything as he desires. There is no fear of punishment and no hope of reward. Consequently, the nation declines morally, socially and economically. In order to fulfill moral and ethical obligations through a variety of practical measures, following are some actions to consider:

¹⁴ Sunan Abi Daud, Vol:2, Kitab al Buyoo, Hadith No. 3452

Participating in elections to choose representatives who align with ethical values and policies.

Following the laws and regulations set by the government to maintain social order.

Offering time and skills to help those in need through volunteer work.

Donating charity to causes and organizations that work towards social betterment.

Becoming truthful in interactions and avoiding deceitful behavior.

Taking responsibility for actions and their consequences.

Showing respect towards others' rights, beliefs, and properties.

Advocating for important social issues such as human rights, environmental conservation, and social justice.

Educating oneself and others about ethical and moral responsibilities.

Respecting and understanding cultural differences and avoid discriminatory behavior.

Protecting personal and others' privacy in digital interactions.

Avoiding spreading misinformation and consider the impact of online behavior.

Therefore, it is a dire of need to shape the society based on the golden principles given by the holy Prophet Muhammad (ﷺ) and make his (ﷺ) teachings compulsory for the citizens to perform their ethical and moral obligations in the modern world in order to make our home, environment, society, city and country ideal for others.

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