

“Women are better leaders than men”

Leadership is a very subjective concept and can be observed in various aspects of life. In today's scenario where things are changing and evolving at a rapid rate, leadership has become a trait essential for survival, in aspects ranging from sports to corporate workplace. The approach to solving a problem is different in case of men and women. While men are generally perceived as being more aggressive to tackling issues, women are considered to be calmer and more composed while handling issues.

A good leader is one who is able to inspire his group of followers and make them believe in their abilities to tackle the problems that may arise along the path. A good leader possesses qualities like honesty, integrity, creativity, innovation, good decision-making capabilities, apart from having an emotional quotient factor, efficient communication and aggressiveness. These psychological factors are found to be more impactful and expressive in the case of females in comparison to their male counterparts. These traits along with expressiveness and assertiveness are an integral part of qualifying as a good leader. Some other aspects of a great leader include the ability to listen patiently, being collaborative and accessible. Women are generally more inclined to these qualities than men: they are great listeners and tend to be open to listening to what people have to say. In case of discussions, they tend to be collaborative in a work environment, due to the passion for working with others. Whilst there are women who have led empires in the past, there are also women who are currently the head of the state of some countries. Indira Gandhi, for example, was India's first women Prime Minister and has had notable contributions to the welfare of the country. She led various strategies like the green and white revolutions, which led to the setting up of Amul, which resulted in reducing the country's dependency on food imports. She led the fight against Pakistan in the Indo-Pak war in 1971, leading to India's victory. She is considered to be one of the greatest leaders the country has ever witnessed. Indira Nooyi, the chairperson of PepsiCo, is another example of a women in power. Her strategic redirections at PesiCo, of classifying their products into different categories, turned out to be a game changer for the organization. She has consistently ranked among the 100 Most Powerful Women in the World.

Given the fact that 24 of the Fortune 500 companies have women at the helm of things and the most recent appointment of Dhivya Survyadevara as the CFO of General Motors, there is a paradigm shift in the perception that women cannot be better leaders than men. It can thus be said that the world is opening up to accepting women as leaders in various aspects of life.

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