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It Is About Time We Open Doors To The Ones Seeking Refuge

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dark cloud of crisis and war has created the breed of unwanted and disdained refugees to whom no country wants to extend a helping hand. But we fail to realise that they are, factually, the silver lining (or perhaps gold!) of the dark pall that we suffer through.

Hoax: Refugees take away our jobs and create unemployment. Reality check: Quite the opposite, they actually provide jobs. According to migration economists, the influx of foreigners in the labour force doesn't affect the potential employment opportunities for natives. A study on

US refugees states that immigrants come with a different skill set, implying that they compete for different jobs. While refugees comprise of 15% of the US population, they are 25% of the total entrepreneurs, and create about 1.5 million jobs a year. So, if they leave your country, so does your job.

Hoax: Refugees are a liability to the economy of the country.

Reality check: They offer far more than what they cost. In the words of the Department of Health and Human Services, the refugees in the US brought in \$63 billion more revenue than they cost. An analysis of data collected from 15 coun-

tries in Western Europe ASTER over a period of 30 years suggests

that refugees benefit their host nations within five years of their arrival. US spends an average of \$15,148 in relocation costs and \$92,217 in social benefits over an adult refugee's first 20 years. Over that period, the average adult refugee pays \$128,689 in taxes — \$21,324 more than the benefits received. We are guessing that should be enough.

Hoax: Refugees harm the future generations of the country. Reality check: They foster evolution. Communities cannot exist in isolation. Refugee influx causes diverse populations to

strengthening of the gene pool. International migration is increasing at 1 to 2 per cent per year, with 244 million people in 2015 living in a country differ-

ent from the one they were born in. In cosmopolitan urban centres such as Singapore, inter-ethnic marriages are rising quickly, from just 7.6 per cent of all marriages in 1990 to 21.5 per cent in 2015. Each baby carries on about 60 new mutations in its genes. Decreasing occurrence of diseases is a key benefit of playing DNA mashup. New gene variants pave way for future evolutionary changes.

Hoax: Refugees create a risk of terror attacks and threats. Reality check: They have

opened gates to new opportunities. There have been no reported

mix, which results in incidents of refugees killing anyone on the soil they have migrated to. Refugees, in fact, could be enhancing the value of a nation instead of threatening it. In 2016, six scientists from the US won a Nobel Prize, and all six were immigrants. Also, remember Einstein? He was a refugee. Goes without saying what the world would have missed if he wasn't granted safe haven in United States of America when he fled Germany.

> All-in-all, overlooking the reluctance shown by various nations in accepting refugees and migrants, they bring with them a myriad of gains, and do much more than just 'stealing your jobs'. It has been established that these guests in our country are a boon in disguise. History has never been in favour of those who resist change, because, after all, how else would France have won the FIFA world cup?

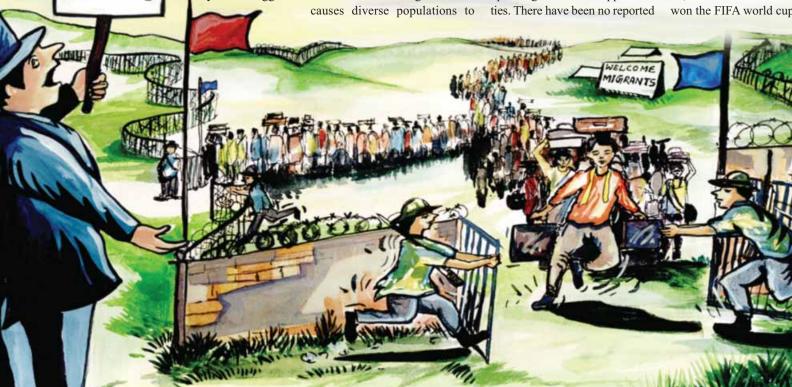


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Priya Kumar Shares A New Wave Of Magic Created In Literature

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t's a man's world out there, or is it? Presenting a woman of unmatched charisma — Priya Kumar. She is a celebrated author, a motivational speaker, a columnist, and the CEO of her training company. In her journey of 23 years, she has worked with over 1500 multi-national corporates across 44 countries and has touched over 2 million people through her workshops and books. Having authored nine books and won thirteen international awards, every aspect of her life exemplifies success. Behold the new true icon of women empowerment.

Writing: A hobby

I have loved writing ever since I was a child. My mother tells

me that even as a child I used to love writing assignments. I would take pictures from comic books and make my own stories out of it. I always did it for myself, without worrying about whether someone would read it or not.

Writing: A profession

I had a neighbour who wrote for Ascent, a supplement of The Times Of India, who once wished to borrow management books from me to research for his article. I wrote down an article for him so as to help him. He was so impressed that he let it be published in the paper under my name. Soon, I received a call from their editor asking me if I was willing to write for them. It is when you start writing for others to read that professionalism seeps in. People often think that getting a salary distinguishes a hobby from a profession, but I believe that including other people in your work is the factor which makes a difference.

Writing: An inspiration

I am enthused by inspirational writing- one which compels me to think, makes me want to be a better person,

Achievements

- Has 31 international awards and 3 national awards
- Has written over 600 columns
- Penned the biography of Late Shri O.P. Munjal, Founder, Hero Group, and Subhashish Chakraborty, Founder, DTDC
- Has taught over 1900 students over 9 years
- Has worked with 1500 Multi-National Companies in over 43 countries in the world

brings me hope, gives me encouragement, and makes me believe that I can change the world. There are countless authors who have inspired me. I like those in particular who have made an impact on a larger audience. Be it J.K Rowling, Dan Brown, Paulo Coelho, Neale Donald Walsche or Jim Rohn, their works have the power to move me. Honest and practical writing inspires me and that's how I become a better writer.

Writing: A challenge

People have great stories to write, but they don't perceive it as an art. Instead, they write for people to read their compositions. The greatest challenge is your own interest in growing. Before you begin writing, first improve your communication skills. Read and see how other people write. Personally, taking out the time to write a book is a challenge. Generally, I keep a week aside to write my books, all of which have been written in less than eight days. It is a great pressure to deal with and requires me to keep razor-sharp focus.

Writing: A lesson

Expect too much from yourself but not anything from others. A reader is not obligated to read your works but as a writer, it is your duty to continue to write, grow and improve. Don't think about how many books you will sell or how many likes your blog will get. Look for critical feedback and rectify your compositions to make sure your reader understands and enjoys what you have written. Try to add a little value to your readers' lives. G T

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