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# Psychological Perspective of Mythology Introduction:

The Psychological Perspective of Mythology Project is an initiative under the Learning and Research Grants where we connect Mythology stories with Humanity, Mental Health and Psychology to bridge the gap and bring wisdom and understanding of the human fundamental spirit and the general desirable human virtues that apply to people of all walks of life.

#### Need:

There is a lot of wisdom in the Mythological stories that have travelled across time, space and cultures. We see and learn about the values, relationships and behaviours that have transcended or moved through those thousands of years of mythology and mythology stories which in some way, these stories hold our reality, and we could learn more about where it all started and what holds the truth today by studying the patterns and relationships of psychology through mythological characters and stories.

#### Impact:

The impact of success in understanding a topic in Psychology is always connected to the roots of the culture and origin of life in that particular religion which calls for learning Comparative Mythology to be focused beyond the state and culture to understand relations, change values and behaviour and change the truth of psychology.

**Projects Completed:** Buddhism and Tetralemma in Mystical Collapse **Upcoming Projects:** The Archetypes of Krishna, Jainism in Psychology

#### **Duration of the Project**

1 year - 2 years

The Psychological Perspective of the Mythology Project requires action on many fronts including greater allocation of funds to work out how to fast-track decision-making, and information sharing, and allow researchers more flexibility in utilizing the funds. This can be the desired path to inculcate and sustain a culture of curiosity and inquisitiveness as well as create a more dynamic system in the country.

#### **Call for Support**

### Introduction:

According to UNESCO, the **expenditure on Research and Development (R&D)** is more than **\$1.7 trillion** across the globe. This signifies the importance of R&D in the modern world where countries are placing **extensive focus** on their R&D programs to gain a **competitive** edge in the **fast-changing development-driven world**.

India is a low spender (only **0.66%** of the GDP) in comparison to developed countries. The Gross Domestic Expenditure on R&D (GERD) as a percentage of gross domestic product (GDP) is around **0.7**% which shows a downward trend in the last couple of years.

#### **Impediments**

Low Funding: The funding is less than 1% of the GDP.

**High Dependence on Grants:** Many universities/institutes depend on an **extramural support** system which creates a dependency situation where the **quality of research** at the doctoral level gets **hampered** when less funding is provided to these institutions.

**Lack of Skilled Personnel:** There is a **lack of adequate expertise** in many emerging research areas. Further, the **talents** of our country **migrate** abroad as they don't receive the **requisite** for doing good quality research.

#### Steps that can be taken

**Collaborations** between public institutions and start-ups/industries can be **supported** to **mentor and train** students/scientists to pursue the doctoral and postdoctoral levels. Simultaneously, **postdoctoral** work in India should be **encouraged** by providing better **remuneration** and opportunities to **young scientists and researchers.** 

# **Appeal**

Up to 102,000 INR (1,246 USD) p.a to support the Psychological Perspective of Mythology Project focusing on releasing a study on the 'Archetypes of Krishna in Psychotherapy and Psychology by 2024.

# Call for Research Applicants

# Eligibility for application to be a part of this Project:

Applicants must:

- Be a post-graduate in Psychology/Literature/History or hold a doctoral-level degree (no more than 10 years).
- Have a demonstrated knowledge of Literature, Mythology and History
- Have demonstrated competence and capacity to execute the proposed work.
- Have a published research paper or be in the process of publishing.

# How to Apply:

- Interested Applicants may submit the following to office@ijngp.com
- Abbreviated CV (not to exceed five pages)
- Research Project for initial screening
- Certificate of Publication or Published Research Paper with DOI for proof of work.

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