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### Integrating concerns of Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam in current teaching – learning Practice

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#### ABSTRACT

Vasudhaa (earth/world), iva (like), and kutumbakam (large/extended family) are the three Sanskrit terms that make up the phrase Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. The 5000 years old Indian civilization epitomises "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam," as it is the birthplace of the world's four major faiths and a kaleidoscope of key ideas, beliefs, ethnicities, cultures, eating habits, dressing manners and values. With a humancentric perspective at its foundation, India is engaged in the "Amritkaal," and is fostering to create a society that is futuristic, prosperous, inclusive and evolved.

A systemic approach to Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam involves developing policies that reflect the principles of inclusivity and fairness, ensuring that everyone has a voice. Inclusive policies are essential for creating a society where everyone has equal opportunities and representation regardless of background; this includes enacting laws that protect minority rights, promote gender equality, and ensure equitable access to education, healthcare, and employment. It also involves creating platforms for marginalized voices to be heard and considered in decision-making processes.

**KEY WORDS**-Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, Teaching Learning Process

#### INTRODUCTION

Integrating the concept of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam into educational curricula teaches future generations about the importance of global unity. Schools and universities should incorporate lessons on cultural diversity, global history, environmental sustainability, and ethical behaviour. This education should be theoretical and practical, involving students in projects that require them to engage with diverse communities and address real-world challenges. By doing so, we prepare future knowledgeable, compassionate, and globally-minded leaders. To bring Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam to life, we must educate individuals to see themselves as part

of a global community, fostering a sense of responsibility towards all humanity; this begins with embedding the idea of global citizenship in our educational systems. By teaching children and adults alike about the interconnectedness of all people, we instil a sense of shared responsibility and empathy. This education should highlight the impact of individual actions on the broader world, encouraging responsible behaviour towards society and the environment. Understanding that our actions—such as reducing waste, conserving energy, and supporting ethical practices—affect the global community helps cultivate a sense of stewardship for the planet and its inhabitants.

### **Core Principles in Higher Education**

**Global Citizenship & Interconnectedness:** Fostering awareness that humanity shares a common destiny, encouraging students to see beyond national borders. Global citizenship is the umbrella term for social, political, environmental, and economic actions of globally minded individuals and communities on a worldwide scale. The term can refer to the belief that individuals are members of multiple, diverse, local and non-local networks rather than single actors affecting isolated societies. Promoting global citizenship in sustainable development will allow individuals to embrace their social responsibility to act for the benefit of all societies, not just their own.

**Ethical & Holistic Development:** Cultivating compassion, empathy, and responsibility through ethical reasoning and spiritual traditions, moving beyond mere personal achievement. Ethical and holistic development, as envisioned through *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* ("One Earth, One Family, One Future"), means nurturing individuals to recognize humanity's oneness, fostering universal values like empathy, compassion, and shared responsibility, and applying this interconnected worldview to social, environmental, and global challenges for collective well-being and sustainability. It shifts focus from individualism to collective consciousness, promoting ethical action, cultural understanding, and cooperation for a just and sustainable world.

**Trans disciplinary & Inclusive Learning:** Breaking down silos between subjects and cultures to address complex global issues collaboratively, including incorporating Indian knowledge systems. Inclusive learning is deeply connected as the ancient philosophy provides the foundation for inclusive education by promoting universal belonging, cultural understanding and empathy advocating that all people, culture and nature are interconnected parts of a single family encouraging an education system that celebrate diversity, ensure equal opportunity and prepare globally –minded and compassionate individuals.

**Sustainability & Stewardship:** Promoting care for all life (humans, animals, environment) and understanding interdependence for a sustainable future. Promoting governance models that are transparent, accountable, and oriented toward the common good ensures that our leaders serve the interests of all. Transparent governance involves open decision-making processes where citizens can see and understand how policies are made and implemented. Accountability means leaders and public officials are responsible for their actions and decisions. Governance oriented towards the common good prioritizes the welfare of all citizens over individual or special interests; this can be achieved through participatory governance models that involve citizens in the decision-making process, ensuring that policies reflect the collective will and benefit the broader community.

### **Implementing Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam: Practical Steps for Global Peace**

To implement Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam, we can create educational programs that teach global interconnectedness and ethical values, shaping the minds of tomorrow's leaders. These programs should emphasize the importance of empathy, cooperation, and sustainability. For example, service-learning programs that combine classroom instruction with community service provide students with hands-on experiences addressing social and environmental issues. Ethical training in business schools can prepare future entrepreneurs and managers to lead with integrity and social responsibility.

Supporting community initiatives that foster inclusivity and cooperation builds stronger and more resilient societies. Community centres, local organizations, and NGOs are crucial in bringing people together to work on common goals. Initiatives such as neighbourhood clean-ups, community gardens, and local cultural festivals promote a sense of belonging and collective responsibility. These activities also provide opportunities for people from diverse backgrounds to interact and build mutual respect and understanding.

### **CONCLUSION**

“Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam” is a philosophical ideal and a practical guide for creating a more harmonious and interconnected world. By embracing this concept, we can work towards a future where everyone is valued, respected, and connected, fostering global peace and sustainability. Let us commit to making “Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam” a reality, transforming our world into an accurate global family.. Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam aspires to promote global citizenship, diversity, and holistic development in order to not only produce all-rounded individuals but also to make a positive impact on a world that is increasingly peaceful and

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linked. It will take the combined efforts of communities, representative, and educators to successfully apply these ideas and make sure that Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam's values are not just taught but also lived.

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