

Harmony in the Family

'Trust' The Foundational Value in Relationship

Basic Human Aspiration

Continuous Happiness and Prosperity

Happiness is to be in Harmony

Program for Fulfilment of Human Aspiration

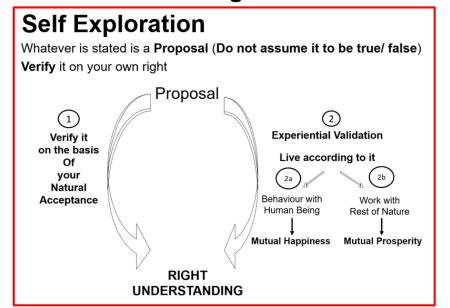
Understanding Harmony and Living in Harmony at all Levels



Harmony in the Human Being Harmony in the Family

Harmony in the Society
Harmony in Nature/Existence

Process of Understanding







Need to Explore Relationship

- We had explored "can we live in relationship without understanding relationship?"
- Having right understanding about relationship is necessary for fulfillment in relationship
- We had also explored "the unhappiness in our families is more due to lack of physical facility or more due to lack of fulfillment in relationship?"
- The major issue in family is that of relationship; physical facility (and body) is used as a means

As long as we consider human being to be body, it is not possible to understand relationship; and without understanding relationship, it is not possible to fulfill relationship, even though we do want to fulfill relationship. We are trying to assume relationship on the basis of body and trying to fulfill relationship on the basis of body, and it does not work, inspite of all good intentions

Now we can explore relationship with the clarity of human being, as coexistence of self and body



Relationship

- Relationship is between one self (I_1) and other self (I_2)
- There are feelings in relationship in one self (I_1) for other self (I_2)
- These feelings can be recognized they are definite (9 Feelings)
- Their fulfilment, evaluation leads to mutual happiness

Feelings in relationship:

- 1. Trust विश्वास FOUNDATION VALUE 6. Reverence श्रद्धा
- 2. Respect सम्मान
- 3. Affection स्नेह
- 4. Care ममता
- 5. Guidance वात्सल्य

- 7. Glory गौरव
- 8. Gratitude कृतज्ञता
- 9. Love प्रेम complete value



Now, we will explore

- 1. What is Trust?
- 2. Will trust be there for only few persons or for all?
- 3. Will trust be conditional or unconditional?
- 4. Can we trust anybody in continuity?





Trust (विश्वास)

- Trust = to be assured (आश्वस्त होना)
 - = to have the clarity that the other wants to make me happy & prosperous
 - = दूसरा मेरे सुख, समृद्धि के अर्थ में है, ऐसा स्पष्ट होना

Now, let us explore this feeling of trust between two individuals

- You are the first individual
- Think of the other as someone in your family... close friends

And let us ask some simple questions...



Evaluating Trust – Between 2 Individuals

About your Natural Acceptance

1a. I want to make myself happy

2a. I want to make the other happy $^{\sqrt{}}$

3a. The other wants to make herself/himself happy

4a. The other wants to make me happy

About your Ability

1b. I am able to make myself always happy

2b. I am able to make the other always happy

3b. The other is able to make herself/himself always happy?

4b. The other is able to make me always happy • ...

<u>Intention – Natural Acceptance</u>

What is Naturally Acceptable to You

Competence

What You Are (∑ D, T, E)



Doubt on Intention: Mistrust

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About the Other

About Myself

The other broke a glass

The glass broke by accident

If the other makes a mistake even once...

Even if I make the same mistake 100 times...

I doubt his intention

- I never doubt my intention

He makes mistakes intentionally

- I make mistakes by accident
- I have a feeling of opposition, get irritated, angry...
- I have a feeling "I am special"

- I reinforce "The other is bad", can not improve
- I reinforce "I am good". I do not make effort to improve my own competence



Doubt on intention is a major reason for problems in relationships



Common Mistake in Relationship

I evaluate myself on the basis of my intention

I evaluate the other on the basis of their competence

I doubt their intention. I assume their lack of competence to be their lack of intention → I feel opposed to the other, I get irritated, angry...

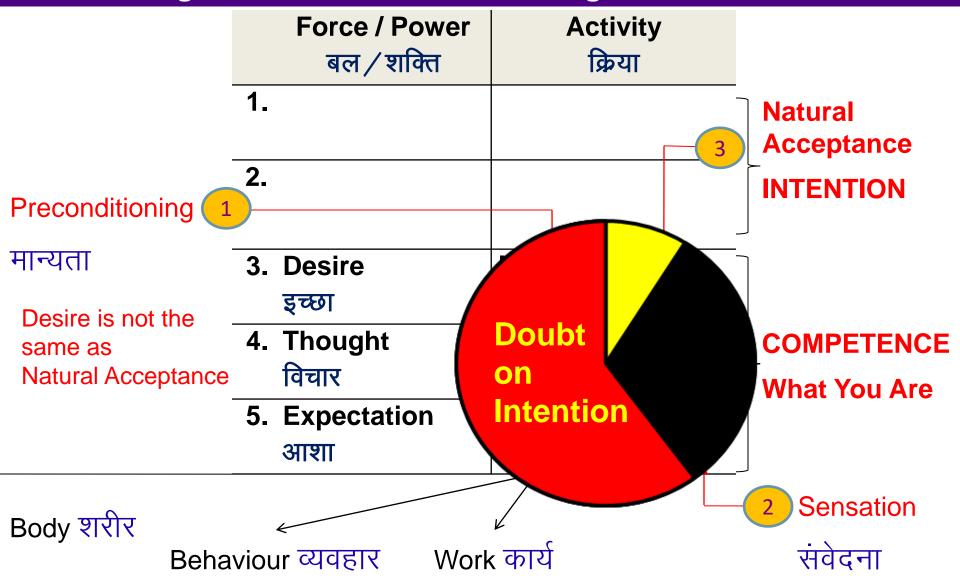
I may not speak to the other for days... or even breakup the relationship... One may have lost many good friends like this...



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State of Imagination – Random and Disorganised





Self Reflection

If you have unconditional, continuous trust on intention (natural acceptance) of the other and if the other is lacking competence, what will you do:

- a) Try to improve his competence (and also improve your competence)
 Trust on Intention → Response
- b) Get irritated
- c) Get angry

d) Have a feeling of opposition.

Doubt on Intention → Reaction

How many persons, in your family and friends, do you have trust on intention (natural acceptance) — unconditional, continuou

This is fundamental. Trust on intention is the foundation of relationship

You can get an idea of the state of your understanding about relationship from this exploration...



Sharing & Questions regarding your Self Reflection

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Trust: To have the clarity that the other intends to make me happy

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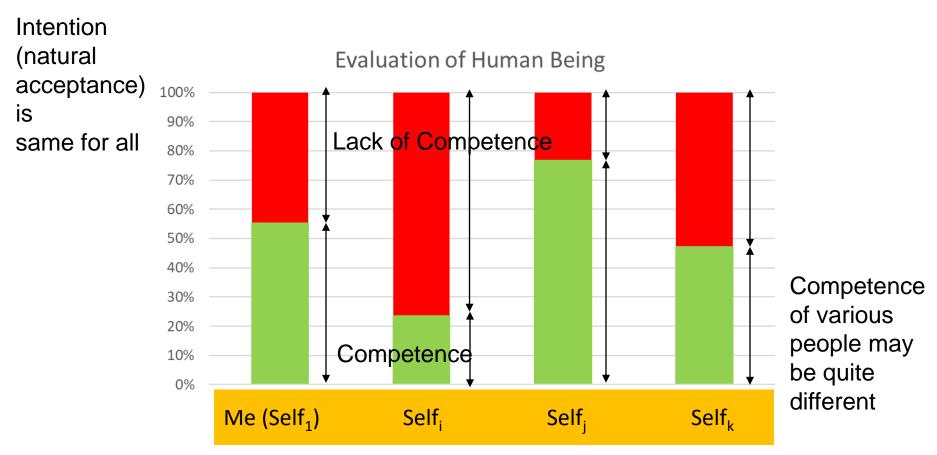
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Trust



Take-away:

Trust on Intention (Natural Acceptance)

I am able to see that
the other has a natural acceptance (intention) to make me happy
s(he) may or may not have the competence to do so



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When I make a mistake even once...

I am clear about his intention

- I am clear about my intention

 I know the mistake is due to lack of competence, not a lack of intention I know the mistake is due to lack of competence, not a lack of intention

 I make effort to help improve his competence with a feeling of affection

 I make effort to improve my own competence (I am willing to learn)

I know that "he may have difficulty understanding... and also, I may have difficulty in explaining..."



Trust on intention is the starting point for mutual development



Trust: The Foundation of Relationship

With trust on intention, I feel related to the other

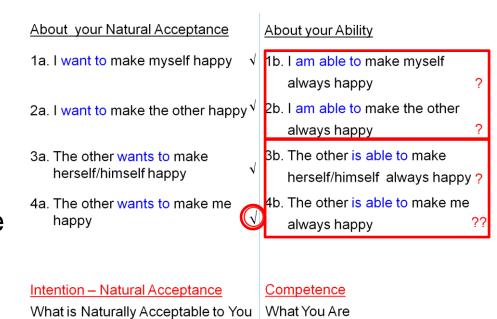
When I make a program with the other

- I evaluate his competence as well as my competence and
- I make the program in accordance with our current mutual competence

I am consistently making effort to learn, to improve my competence

If the other is lacking in competence, I am committed to help the other to improve his competence, without becoming irritated...





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Assignment for Today

List the members in your family. Now ask the eight questions regarding trust for each person and evaluate. Get into dialogue if required.

- 1a. Do I want to make myself happy?
- 2a. Do I want to make the other happy?
- 3a. Does the other want to make himself/herself happy?
- 4a. Does the other want to make me happy?
- 1b. Am I able to make myself always happy?
- 2b. Am I able to make the other always happy?
- 3b. Is the other able to make himself/herself always happy?
- 4b. Is the other able to make me always happy?

Now evaluate your

intention (natural acceptance) and level of competence



Sum Up

Trust is to have the clarity that the other wants to make me happy & prosperous. It is the foundation of relationship

If I have trust on intention, I feel related to the other. I make a program with the other based on right evaluation of our mutual competence

- In case the other is lacking in competence
 - I make effort to assure the other
 - I make effort to improve his competence once he is assured in relationship (and not before that)
- If I lack competence, I become ready to take help from the other to improve my competence

If I have doubt on intention

- I evaluate the other on the basis of his competence and assume the lack of competence to be the lack of intention; and thus feel opposed to him (while I evaluate myself on intention)
- The feeling of opposition shows up as irritation or anger (and it may further lead to fighting, struggle and war)









Self Reflection