

## Dialogue with an Argumentative Indian

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Dhananjaya > Due to economic recession many engineers are returning to India. Do you like this reverse brain drain?

Parthosarthi > Well... That's cycle of life, my friend. Wouldn't you like to see Kalpana Chawala, Sabeer Bhatia, Shiv Khera, Shashi Tharoor to work for India?

Dhananjaya > Why should we be proud of Sunita Williams? What did they do for us?

Parthosarthi > They Inspired Sleeping Cows. It is because of them, many Indian school girls were invited to NASA and now they have similar dream too.

Dhananjaya > But they were wearing American Flag, They were not Indians!

Parthosarthi> Sunita Williams took a Idol of Ganesha, copy of Bhagwat Geeta and some samosas with her in space. Why are they less Indian than you?

Dhananjaya > They live outside India, How can they be considered Indians?

Parthosarthi> She wouldn't have become Kalpana Chawla that she is today, had she decided to stay in India. If Living in India makes you Indian then living in Garage makes you a car and living in McDonald makes you a burger.

Dhananjaya > What did they do for India? They are not our national heroes or leaders but Individual heroes or Achievers of their fields.

Parthosarthi> So are Tendulkar and Amitabh! If social work is the criteria, what they do in dollars is more than what these people do in rupees. Right?

Dhananjaya > I meant Individual Efforts, Kalpana Chawla's achievement did nothing for India. She chased her personal dream and achieved it! She abandoned India!

Parthosarthi> Chanakya taught us, If country does not have resources, infrastructure to support your mission, change your country. My friend, many great things today can only be done at international level and not national level.

Dhananjaya > Why should we be proud of someone for who died for some other country?

Parthosarthi > Buddy, What do you think of Mother Teresa? She was Albanian by birth but worked in India. She herself said," By blood and origin I am Albanian. My citizenship is Indian. I am a Catholic Nun. As to my calling, I belong to the whole world. As to my heart, I belong entirely to the heart of Jesus."

Dhananjaya > Oh Well... I don't mind people with that kind of mindset coming back!

Parthosarthi > Gandhi, father of your motherland could've stayed and settled in England to practice law but he chose to come back and serve the country. He gave birth to your mother land. And what did you Indians do to him? You shot him dead!

Parthosarthi > In fact, If he was alive today, You Indians would've treated him just like the way they treat their old parents at home.

Dhananjaya > My point is that at the end of the day, it matters where you make the difference. Is it your own mother land or some other country?

Parthosarthi > Lord Shri Krishna says, mother who raises the child is not any less than the biological mother. Aren't you lucky if you get love of two mothers?

Dhananjaya > Story of NRIs is like story of Trishanku told by Valmiki in Ramayana

Parthosarthi > Smile. Approach to make borders irrelevant, world is a global village is not new; Indians were the first who called Vasudev Kutumbhukam.

Dhananjaya > But we spread universal values and west spreads cultural imperialism!

Parthosarthi > Let me play the bad guy and say, Indians who go to other countries and spread/promote Indian spiritual cultural heritage and legacy are also like Talibanis?

Dhananjaya > Nonsense! We don't need anyone from outside to teach us!

Parthosarthi > Yes dear, I know Kalpana's other Haryanavi sister Mallika Sherawat is also making waves on the international circuit!

Dhananjaya > I say, NRIs are Not Required/Reliable Indians!

Parthosarthi > Brother, I am concerned about Resident Non Indians! I wonder how many Indians know what word Bharat means? You call it India now, Not Bharat!

Dhananjaya > I know what it means, but I want to know your answer!

Parthosarthi > Bharat means Seeker of Truth! Truth is eternal. It does not belong to any person or country.

The Argument Continues....  
Thank you for reading!