Attracting More Attention

To Women Rights Issue Both China And America

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Abstract

With the development of civilization process, people become more and more conscious of pursuing human rights such as freedom, equality and so on. Woman rights is always considered as an essential part of human rights. Although there are many countries fighting for female around the world, the situation for women still remains hardship when it comes to gender inequality and sexism. Moreover, scientists and other specialists have done series of specific researches in order to prove female’s capability. And sexual discrimination has seriously affected women lives especially college girls nowadays. For the sake of taking a breakthrough and making a better resolution to solve this problem progressively, it needs efforts from different aspects including government, mass media and female themselves. Yet woman rights is a hot issue needing concerning and discussing.

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Introduction

Woman rights have been considered as one of fundamental component of human rights. Dating back to the history, women had sexualized by certain elements of press in politics, economy, education and workplace for centuries. Along with historical process, women have perceived both sexual discrimination and gender inequality.

The United States, which is one of the most supportive countries for feminist movements over the world, has struggled against sexual discrimination for centuries. American feminism originated by the Enlightenment and social politics of revolution in 18 century. Radical Feminists criticized that democracy was monopolized by man, which was the first formation of American Feminism. Subsequently, liberal feminism was in rational and relatively objective way to bring about a new situation for woman rights; it tended to advocate that all human educated would think logically and pursue to be given the equal quantity of education and opportunity, in order to give full scope to the talent. Besides, the Cultural Feminism had draw lessons from certain experience of theory of relativity, emphasizing gender difference, sexual characteristics and believing authority should belong to the women. Moreover, scientists had done a large number of scientific investigations to prove that the female are in the equivalent level of intelligence. It could be indicated that women have abilities to deal with jobs which are limited.

Women have been a tough predicament in ancient China as well, they were put in
a quite low status in feudal society during that time. It was merely in education but even in health, people thought that ignorance was a woman’s virtue, They should not acquire vital survival skills. There was a kind of ridiculous and clammy appreciation among the women prevailing in Yuan Dynasty. They were compelled to bind their feet, longing for three-cun lily feet. Therefore, women suffered serious persecution during that period.

The phenomenon of sexism has not faded away over time, it comes to college girls as other means at the present. College girls are an significant group of women, who had been sexualized of specific role since they were young. They more likely suggested they were not to be involved in science, math and physical works on account of gender difference at school. This in return also brings employment difficulty to female graduates when they are setting about to find a job. All sorts of sexual discrimination and prejudice emerges in different ways for college girls. This is not the only formidable circumstance they have to face, and the expectation of social role leads college girls to be unconscious to pursue their rights and dream as well. Though there are several laws of ensuring women right in workplace, it still is not defined clearly nowadays. Apparently, Chinese college girls are in such a severe situation in future.

All this suggests that, the present situation, sexual discrimination is a problem remaining to be solved yet. America has taken great breakthrough to improve it, galvanizing Chinese awareness especially women making governments pay attention to gender inequality. Besides, college girls are a part of gynaeic group who should be
accurate about their self-orientation. They should believe that gender differences would not influence capability and deserve the same quantity rights in diverse areas of society.

A.Sexism

1. Sexual discrimination has impacted on different ways of women lives in China

2. a. It is very common influenced in education, family and workplace. What is delimited as prejudice of gender difference is sexism which is general in education. Taking a broad view of ancient China, women were rarely went to school in the feudal system. People believed that mediocrity is the virtue of women, so they just made embroidery at home. What people expected for women that female should have qualified characters like being virtuous, submissive, tender. Nowadays, it seems to be in a good condition, women have more opportunities to be educated even to acquire further study. A large quantity of women benefit from the education, whereas they still don’t enjoy equivalent treatment as the same class of male. For instance, the school authorities constitute a series of regulations especially for girls on account of gender differences when both boys and girls are going to apply for an university. The enrollment cut-off point will be set in double standard. Usually, Women are required to get higher scores than men who are as good as them. One of the most well-known art university-Communication University of once limited quantity of female in some majors like performance and broadcast. And other universities such as Beihang University make a restriction on aviation subject. Comparatively speaking, women have more difficulties on getting into school whichever they want.
b. Discrimination is often seen in workplace, a job interview in which women will face questions with obvious overtone like the age of marriage, or not being allowed to fall in love in first several years if they want to get access to work in the company. It doesn’t mean that they are put in a coffer by accepting these irrational requests. Though in the period of pregnancy, it seems to sail with wind, they can get the pay without work and prepare for delivery at home during the maternity leave. They can not recognize conjuncture seriously to be close to them until they come back to work. They could be reassigned to nominal position such as front desk for reception. Another concern is about salary. Women receive lower salaries for doing the same work as men do. Also promotion for female is few. They are not given sufficient space for tapping their potentialities and achieving the development of themselves. Thus women have more difficulties moving forward in workplace.

c. Family is a main place which reflect gender equality as well. With the development of patriarchy society, women and men are assumed disparate social roles. Men are always regarded as vital symbol of confidence, ration, capable. On the contrary, women are considered frail, sensitive and perceptive. Because of the traditional concept, women are supposed to take more responsibilities of family and children education. Women can only be attached to men who are the main breadwinners to support the whole family when female lose an opportunity to work. And they seldom get one more chances to long for what they want. The education investment of a family will give preferences over boys and it’s common if there are more than one child in the family, boys always have priority of education or
girls sacrifice themselves for boys’ education by dropping out of school when the family is overloaded.

3. In the Male-center and traditional cultural background, sexism remains to be eliminated little by little which is reflected in many aspects of social relationship. Women has suffered a lot from gender discrimination and lost opportunities to have initiative to reveal their talent for different fields.

B. Basic reasons of gender distinction

1. There are two dominant reasons of gender distinction

2. a. The expectation of social role is a main reason which has impacted on gender distinction. Men and women should not born to be arranged by gender difference. They are compartmentalized by social cultural backgrounds and gender distinction of widespread cognizance and this viewpoint consolidates through religion education and laws step by step. To be a wife, a mother, an employed woman is all the characters that females should play in a balance they are expected to.

   b. Along with process of civilization, women are used to accepting to the traditional idea gradually. It weakens the competitive consciousness and desires of pursuing their careers. If things go on in this case, they will be easily satisfied with present situation. The main values of marriage in China is that hard-working is inferior to the successful marriage. All hope of rest of their lives seem to only rely on whom they will marry. The biased values make females make wrong self-evaluation, thus they are usually in the disadvantaged position.

3. Both the expectation of social role and self-evaluation are two important
factors of women status at present. To make an insinuation that women admit their talent less than men. And these fixed concept make the same level between men and women with different expectation.

C. The uncertain connection between gender differences and personal capabilities.

1. A great number of researches suggest that there is not an inevitable connection between gender difference and personal capability.

2. a. For decades, a great number of scientific studies and investigations have been done by scientists, stating clearly connections between gender difference and personal capability. All these results reveal that women average intelligent level is same as men even higher than men in some way. Some scientists insisted that men have more potentials. Nevertheless, other scholar refuted this point with a great quantity of accurate specific research immediately and figure out that the former views are not very objective. After constant debate for years, women are testified as much potential as men eventually.

b. Mathematics is considered as a kind of important subject. There is a popular saying in China, if you study well in math and you will not fear to walk around the world. With the innate concept, people consider math as a necessary skill of life to learn. An article was published in science section Boston Globe on December 26th 1983, the tile was Is Math Ability Affected by Hormones? The key point is that sexual differences of Hormones lead to differences in their brains of structures and functions, which affect cognitive abilities. It seems to be a sensible reason that women
given suggestions to circumvent scientific works. They just know how much money do they have, girls are not natural-born to study math. These evidences are based on a ration way to show women has potential in science study.

c. Creativity, is thought to be another vital quality is tied very close with intelligence. Even if the relationship between physiological difference and intelligence has been argued persistently, creativity is not always relevant to sexual diversity. Hillary Clinton, the former female secretary of the state has been the most persuasive woman in American political circles, announcing that she will stand for the next election in 2016. She had made great contributions to fighting for woman rights for the country when she was in the position. She tried to prove that it is possible to make world different with female participation. Another influential female representative, Oprah Winfrey is quite known as a hostess of talk show in America, who has show her huge talent of mass media. Her achievements are multifarious both in her television career and social service.

3. Even though physical differences of both sexes are obvious, women are not as good as men in constitution and strength. Through these scientific surveys, the results attest that women do have the personal capabilities and potentials to show their creativity and embody self-value.

E. the values and attitudes of pursuing woman right towards Chinese college girls

1. Positively facing the reality of woman rights

According to nation conditions, there still being a awkward situation of feminism, it needs joint effort from all sectors of society. College girls, a leading group of
female, have realized the significance of fight for gender equality and independence. They are trying to gain the initiative and display their great talent by their own ways. In a variety of collegiate competitions, there is no lack of girls joining. Not only showing their ability to prove themselves, but also making a clear plan for their future. They are reluctant to be indifferent and have courage to make a sound for themselves, preferring to further study to enhance self-value and accept actively.

2. Passively facing the reality of woman rights

Being in different family backgrounds, some college girls are used to be conventional in social circumstance, suffering from disregard and discrimination during growth. Somehow, the attitudes of them toward woman rights issue are negative and indifferent. However, the fixed concept has been rooted in their mind, making them give in to the social reality both material and spirit world. All the hope of their future are placed on whom they will finally marry. They are passionless with achieving self-value and it seems that they are born to long for a destination.

F. Suggestion for facing reality of gender inequality and pursuing woman rights

Since the country has been reformed and opened up, ideology of people has changed a lot, people begin to yearn for freedom, independence in many aspects, let alone woman rights. It still remains to be a resolution to take a breakthrough at present. First of all, the mass media should pay great attention to its procedure of dissemination of introducing the issues on woman rights and take more responsibility for gender. The government has authority of society should work with medium to
establish a fair and reasonable social order to help female make a better situation. Furthermore, they should relevant laws should be formulated, which delimit discrimination and correspondent punishment. Secondly, as far as education is concerned, colleges and universities should make college girls proper self-oriented, offering them the same opportunities to improve their capability and encourage them to boost their potential if possible, avoiding exerting a negative influence on their attitudes towards life and values. Thirdly, college girls, the most definitive elements of pursuing woman rights, should promote the concept to be independent, offer them overall understanding of themselves to show abilities better in various territories. Also, having a strong belief of personal capabilities and talents is significant, it is possible to make world different with woman participation.
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