

Case Studies:

1. A group of children were playing near two railway tracks, one still in use while the other disused. Only one child played on the disused track, the train came, and you will just beside the track in charge. You could make the train change its course to the disused track and saved most of the kids. However that would also mean the lone child playing by the disused track would be sacrificed. Or would you rather let the train go its way.

Q. Read the story and explain what decision you would take in same situation?

2. An old blind man was sitting on a busy street corner in the rush hour begging for money. On a Cardboard sign, next to an empty tin cup, he had written.

„Blind-Please help“. No one was giving him any money.

A young advertiser walked past and saw the blind man with his sign and empty cup, and also saw the many problems passing by completely unmoved, let alone stopping to give money. The advertiser took a thick marking pen and turned the cardboard sheet back-to-front and re-wrote the sign and went away.

Immediately people began putting money in tin cup. After a while, when the cup was overflowing, the blind man asked a stranger to tell him what the sign now said. “It says, said the stranger,

“It’s a beautiful day. You can see, I cannot”.

Q. What do you understand from the above story? How is it helpful in communication?

3. A boy wished to take an early morning train and accordingly set his watch ahead one half hour before going to bed so that he would be sure to arise in plenty of time. His father, knowing his son’s desire do take the early train, went to his sons bed room and turned the watch up one half hour, believing this would give the boy extra time to get up and dressed. His mother also did the same thing. As a result the boy arose one and one half hour early instead of one half hour losing an hour of needed sleep.

Q. Read the above story and state the importance of coordination.

4. Corruption in the country is on the decline. The latest report of National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) want us to believe that over 10 lakh state government officials in India, only 4,000 officials are involved in corrupt practices. The number of corrupt government servants arrested by state vigilance or anti-corruption bureaus has, in fact, dropped by 15 percent in 2011 from the previous year.

Q. What do you think about the necessity of a strong Lokpal and Lokayukta structure in the country as proposed by Team Anna in present scenario?

5. Arjuna got mentally depressed in the battle field when he saw his relatives with whom he has to fight. On the eve of battle, Arjuna is filled with deep misgivings, he feels, to kill his relatives and friends would be a great sin. Lord Krishna says, "O Arjuna how could this delusion come upon a great person such as you, obstructing the path to heaven". Arise and fight (Gita 2.2 & 3). Arjuna said that I am confused about my duty and have lost all composure because of measure of miserly weakness. In this condition I am asking you to tell me for certain what is best for me (Gita 2.7). Lord Krishna says that you speak like a wise person but grieving over something, the wise do not grieve for (Gita 2.11). To motivate him, the Bhagvad Gita is preached in the battle field Kurukshetra by Lord Krishna to Arjun as counseling to do his duty while multitudes of men stood by waiting Gita teaches honesty, sincerity and truthfulness etc.

Q. By reading above story, what do you analyze? Discuss the importance of motivation.