exclusively through socially, morally, spiritually culturally, and economically including the parents. The active participation in the above arena is the need of the day. In order to upgrade and maintain the status of women, economic independence through property rights is of paramount importance which is realized by the legislators’ long back. The property rights of a woman are an index of the civilization of the society. But it is necessary for a truly equitable society which treats men and women on an equal footing. When the equitable society achieves its dream ‘Gender Equality’ that day may be the real day of total independence.

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