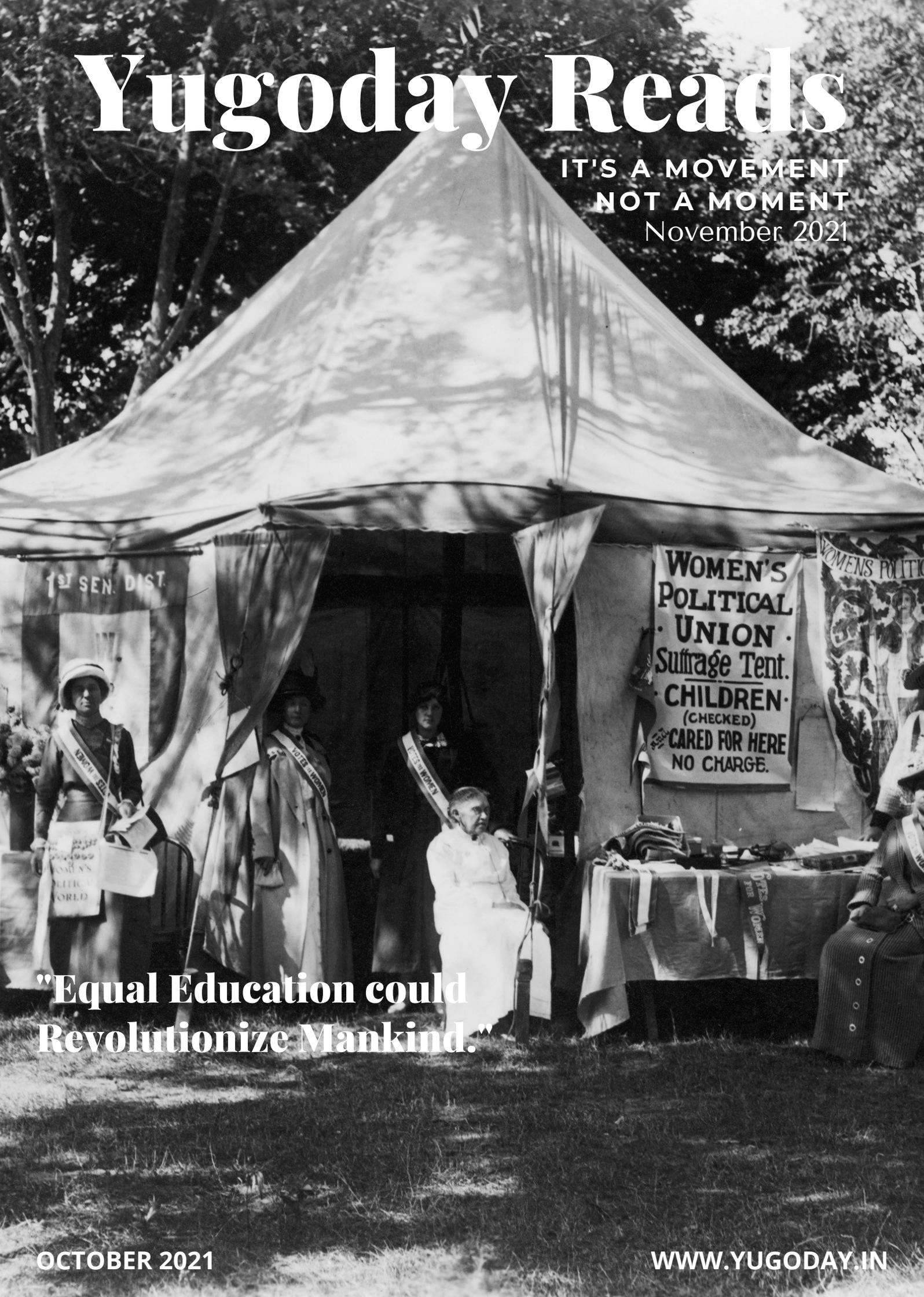


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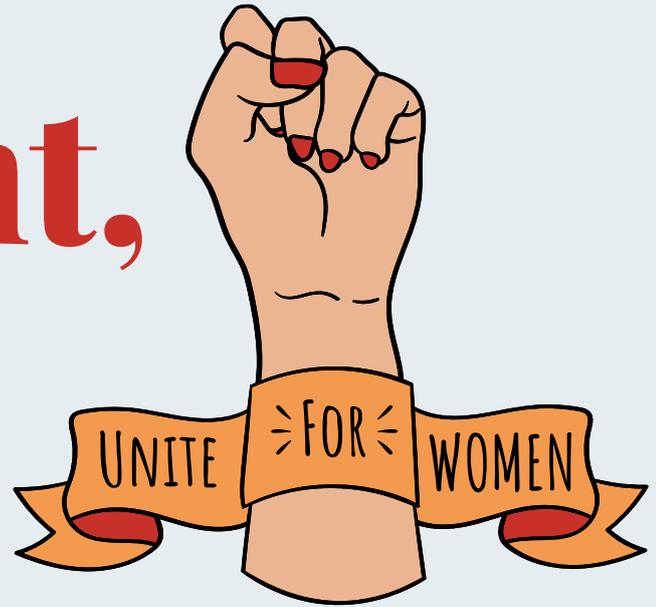
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# It's a Movement, not a Moment!



by Jayanthi Shailendra

As differentiating as it may seem, it isn't really. Feminism, widely known as the advocacy of women's rights on the grounds of equality of the sexes, has now long been misunderstood as something against Men! But in fact, to the farthest extent it holds nothing against MEN!

Feminism is a fight against Sexism. It's a fact that men and women are not and can never be equal, but this isn't about the physical or the mental equation. This is about equality in terms of Opportunities. Now, many might still laugh out at this, and many would say "well, yet another 'FEMINIST' article here", but the truth is each and everyone of us is a feminist. We all seek opportunities just the same as others. Sometimes for ourselves, and sometimes for the women/girls around us. If you are a man reading this, then understand what I am trying to say. Understand the depth of the Movement I am trying to display.

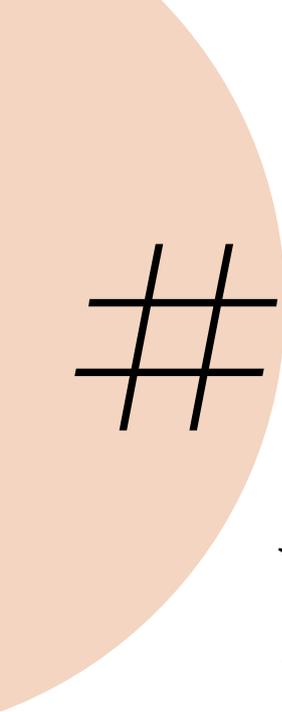
Here's a simple question, does it infuriate you to see your mother being denied to voice out her thoughts in a family discussion? If yes, then it's right in front of you. The moment you stand up and quiet out everyone around just so that they hear out your mom, you are right there advocating for her right to speak and participate in something as small as a family discussion. If this isn't feminism (advocating for women's rights) then what is?

We are all feminists, maybe not for the world, but for someone dear to us, we are. Feminism is a word that people hate because they are not well educated about its meaning yet. Anybody who thinks feminism has anything to do with men is living in utter darkness of its true facts. I agree that a lot of women themselves have used this movement for very wrong reasons, but I do believe that if we first educate ourselves, and then the people around us for what feminism really stands for, then we could all together help build a better future. Nobody wants the Feminism movement to go long. In Fact we want it to end right away, but only after it's done what it was started to do.

So talk about feminism, debate about it, but at the end, take the right meaning with you back home... because if we keep on messing this up, then it'll end up being a moment of elevation in every girl's/ women's life and would not have done justice to them as a human being.

Let's all Advocate for women's rights together and accept proudly that doing so, does make us feminists.

**“A feminist is anyone who recognizes the equality and full humanity of women and men.”**  
– Gloria Steinem



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# MeToo

## Was it really a Feminist Movement?

by Anushka Gupta

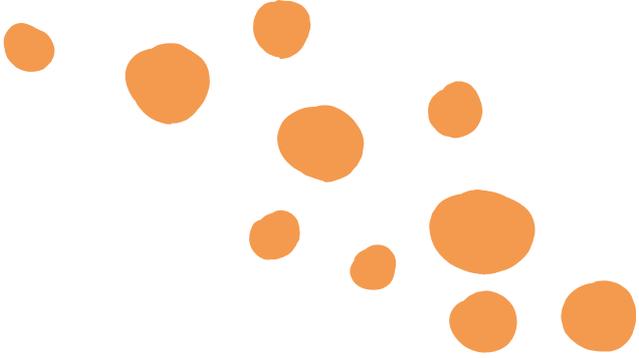
### **#MeToo; a movement against Sexual Assault/ Harassment.**

Started by **Tarana Burke** in 2006, #MeToo was for anybody to come out and speak up about their experiences with sexual assault or harassment. Tarana initially started this movement to empower women to raise their voices against sexual violence along with raising awareness for the same concern. But, it wasn't restricted just to women, #MeToo was for everyone, it didn't matter what your gender was, all one had to do was voice out their experiences of sexual assault, if any.

But here's what happened, since a majority of victims who spoke out were women, #MeToo was naturally assumed to be a feminist movement. Another reason for it to be taken so were the wrong accusations made by some "FEMINAZIS" who for very wrong and personal reasons took the opportunity open for real victims and used it for their own personal greed.

It's a pity, a pity for those who happened to become victims of being made an assaulter for a false sexual assault case. Although it's a real pity for those women who in life have fallen to such levels that they'd become opportunists for something that could've truly turned out to be one of the greatest & righteous movements in global history.

Their one false accusation ruined the careers & lives of all those innocent men out there, and turned everyone against believing the voices of the real victims of sexual assault.



#MeToo could've been revolutionary because it was for everyone. Women, Men, anyone from the LGBTQ+ Community. Yet again, as great as our society could be, any man who came out with their story was discouraged by being labelled as “non-masculine”, I mean, is that even a word? Does that even make any sense?

So, here's another thing to pity; Pity those who think that speaking up for yourself, or about something that you have experienced, which not many from your crowd might've, makes you someone not from that space. Pity those who think that every gender has a particular personality trait and a set of experiences & opportunities restricted to only them. Pity anybody who thinks Feminism is against something, and not just a word for a movement advocating for the very basic fundamental rights of women that they've been deprived of because of the long prevailing patriarchy!

The world needs to understand the difference between feminism and the #MeToo movement. Feminism is about advocating equal opportunities between all genders, whereas the #MeToo movement was an opportunity for ALL to open up about their experiences with sexual harassment in order to make the society aware of the degree it exists in & to possibly bring justice to those having had experience something as evil as harassment.



**“Black Lives Matter is not a black people's movement - MeToo is not a women's movement - Pride is not a gay people's movement - it's all humanity's movement - a movement for being accepted as humans by the humans.”**

— Abhijit Naskar



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