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Do husbands impact the success of their wives?

It is well said that if you are determined to move the mountain then even nature can't stop you from doing that. But the pertinent question is to ask is that is this same for married women? People may have a divergent view point on this.

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When former CEO of Pepsico, Indira Nooyi said that 'women can't have it all' everyone was aghast as to how an empowered, successful women can come up with this kind of regressive thought. But seeing realities and ignoring it is the one thing; accepting and speaking about is completely different thing and that sense of reality can differ from one person to the other.

But there is no shying away from this fact that carrier of many women's comes to a screeching halt because of their family and husband but if they are successful it is not mandatory that the husband must have played a very pivotal role in it.

We all know that societies across the world are not evolved enough that can accept women's at the high echelons of administration. And thus women's should undauntingly put up with it and develop their own coping mechanism.

The coping mechanism as mentioned by Nooyi throws light on very important point that whatsoever is the scenario you have to take your passion forward and take the challenge head on.

That also alluded to the fact that anyone in your life does not play a very crucial role in your professional success. And if someone is then it is good but if not then you have to come up with your own coping mechanism.

Many researches and reports time and again showed that many women have left their job after marriage, some after having kids and some to bring up their kids but one underlying thing that no one notices is the societal role in pushing the women to quit the job.

In majority of the cases, it is only due to the reason because husband wants her to stay home and fulfill her 'first and foremost' duty. And this particular scenario husbands have acted as an obstacle in their path to success.

It would also not be wiser to paint all the men with the same brush. But what is the role of husband in the success of their wife is one of the most frequent questions asked by the people. Since, it is highly debatable question and the answer may remain different for different people.

The real truth and an answer to this question is an unequivocal no. But the society especially in India which is not very conducive towards women's upward mobility women should be independent and should pave their own way. But their success will transcend boundaries and will be exponential if their life partner understand their situation and lend that helping hand to them.

Simply the women's biological and career clock runs in opposite direction to each other, so it requires some amount of cooperation from other family members to climb the ladder of success. But even if you would turn to any entrepreneur and a successful lady and pose this question to her the answer would be, the husbands have not played a key role rather they have made the path little smooth but ultimately the journey towards their goal has to be covered by a lonely warrior.

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