

## **Nature can't be Evaluated in term of Money**

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##### Opening part of the Title Song #####

Brief introduction about the previous episode and linking narration of the present part.

##### Part of the title Song #####

### **Artists:-**

1. Sunil... PIO & a successful businessman in America.
2. Sharma Ji..... Father of Sunil and a retired teacher.
3. Dinesh..... Sharma Ji...neighbour
4. Pradeep..... Dinesh classmate
5. Umakant..... Sharma Ji friend and native of his village.
6. Anchor/Announcer....For Voicing.

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**Scene:-** It is morning time. Sound effects of birds chirping. Some people are talking and laughing loudly.

##### Above Effects #####

**Dinesh:-** Are you listening me? Please open the volume of the TV. Sunil is coming. See ...see....he is there..... Our Sunil.....

##### (Sound of TV is increasing slowly and so the tone of Anchor) #####

**Anchor:-** Viewer here is Sunil....I mean Sunil Sharma, who raised our country's head worldwide. Sunil you are most welcome in our TV show.

**Sunil:-** Thank you very much. I feel proud to be part of this programme and moreover with the viewers of my country.

**Anchor:-** You have been in America since last ten years. Your Hindi is still so fine. Sunil you have been awarded with the Businessman of the year. How are you feeling? How do you take it?

**Sunil:-** I am happy to get this award. This is all due to your support and co-operation. Moreover it is a team effort of my colleagues. Thank you very much.

**Voice:-** Your company is working in IT, mining, real estate etc. almost in all big businesses. Now you are entering in the field of education also. Wonderful!

**Sunil:-** Listen friends! Education is not a business. What is going on in the field of education is not good? I am against all that. This is my dream project. Nobody is going to invest in it, even not my own company.

##### **Volume of TV is going down** #####

**Dinesh:-** Oh my dear Sharma Ji! Sunil has done great job.

**Pradeep:-** You are right Dinesh. In his school days he always topped the class and now he is a successful businessman. He wants to train and teach the same lesson to others so that they can be like him.

**Umakant:-** Well said Pradeep. When he topped the IIT, Sharma Ji had invited us for a grand party. I still remember that day. What a nice party? Do you remember that?

**Dinesh:-** Dear Umakant it is not only you but we still remember that event. Again we are here to celebrate the great achievement of Sunil. Am I right Sharma ji.

(Sharma Ji is thinking something seriously)

**Sharma Ji:-**What....what ? Yes ...yes Dinesh Ji. It will be good to celebrate the event.

**Pradeep:-** Sharma Sahib! But your face is conveying something else. You were a teacher and spent your life in the service of your society. Your son is also in the same field. Are you not happy?

**Sharma Ji:-**Pradeep it is not so. I am very happy on the success of my son. But.... not from my own education.

**Dinesh:-** What do you mean? It is all due to your devotion that Sunil has achieved all this in his life. There are also so many other students on higher posts in our country. It is all due to your efforts and the education that has been given to these students.

**Umakant:-** Well said Dinesh.

**Sharma Ji:-** They are not due to my education but it was due to their hard work. It was their capability that made them successful in their life.

**Pradeep:-** But nobody can deny your contribution. Why are you in doubt?

**Sharma Ji:-**My father was also a school teacher. During those days there was provision of few acres of land with each school. We had learnt and love labour. From there we had learnt..... love for farming and love for Nature.

**Dinesh:-** Yes Sharma Ji, we still remember that.

**Sharma Ji:-**But Dinesh, nothing has been left in villages. Now nobody care for our heritage.

**Pradeep:-** Sharma Ji ! What do you want to say? It is all due to heavy pressure of population on farming.

**Umakant:-** You are right Pradeep. Our farm production is at its climax.

**Sharma Ji...**Our Nature is so generous on us.

**Sharma Ji:-**Umakant, we evaluate Nature in term of money. We created our empires by exploiting our resources.

**Pradeep:-** Sharma Ji! What Nature has got is meant for human consumption.

**Sharma Ji:-**It is enough Pradeep. I failed on this very aspect. Do you mean our Nature is to be evaluated in term of money?

**Dinesh:-** Sharma Ji, we think and take it differently, if we keep present context in our mind. Our survival depend on how carefully are we using our natural resources. Our economy can only survive based on this very principle.

**Umakant:-** You are right Dinesh..... Sharma Ji, we have knowledge and we can use it for conservation and protection of our Nature and its resources.

**Sharma Ji:-**Umakant, it is this narrow ideology. Nature is not for our greed. We are the most intelligent creatures. We can use it as we desire. Our attitude has made it more vulnerable. The level of carbon dioxide has risen up to 410 ppm.

**Dinesh:-** Yes. Sharma ji you are right. The level of carbon di- oxide may rise more then what it was about two hundred million years ago.

**Pradeep:-** Dinesh you mean two crore years. It is very serious problem.

**Sharma Ji:-**Pradeep , I am talking the very same problem since beginning. We are exploiting it since long back. It is all due to our greed. Man desires are limited to financial gain. Beyond money man can't think.

**Umakant:-** Sharma Ji, is there any importance of our Nature ? I mean beyond its resources.

**Pradeep:-** Umakant, I was also asking the very same question from Sharma Ji! When it got petroleum, who is going to use that? It is human being who has to use it. Neither monkey nor any wildlife is going to use that (All are laughing).

**Sharma Ji:-**Pradeep you have raised a very genuine question. Wild lives like bear etc. have some importance or simply they are source of our entertainment. O.K. Let me put one question. Have you ever heard about key stone species?

**Pradeep:-** Key stone species! You mean the stone slabs. No Sharma Ji...we have not heard such thing. We don't know about key species or any stone spices.

**(All are laughing)**

**Umakant:** It is not time to laugh. Be serious. Sharma Ji has raised a very genuine question. Pradeep you have taken so much time. It seems our journalist friend has read some books on environment. It is not so. He is very genuine in his views.( Laughing).

**Dinesh:-** Well said Umakant! Please tell us something about the key stone species.

**Sharma Ji:-**Pradeep in broad sense, key stone species are those species of animals or plants which play an important role in the biological system.

**Pradeep :-** Sharma Ji...what do you mean?

**Dinesh:-** Pradeep, if you have not raised your question ,even then Sharma Ji is going to give some basic examples. Please have some patience. Sharma Ji....please goes ahead....

**Sharma Ji:-**Yes Dinesh. Without key stone species the whole ecosystem will be destroyed.

**Umakant:-** Oh! They are so important.

**Sharma Ji:-**Yes Umakant. In an ecosystem all species are interdependent. Among them there is one key species. If it gets disturbed the whole ecosystem system will be disturbed or even it may be destroyed.

**Pradeep:-** Sharma Ji...please give some examples.

**Dinesh:-** Pradeep is not going to stop here.( Laughing)

**Sharma Ji:-** There are so many examples. In North American Sonoran desert, there are so many cactus plants. The smallest birds of the world...I mean humming birds play an important role in cross pollination in the desert.

**Umakant:-** Surprise....humming bird is so useful. I did not know about it.

**Sharma Ji:** Umakant...Do you know in American desert, the numbers of humming birds are depleting. An invader species known as Baffle grass has occupied the whole ecosystem. This grass has negative effect on local species.

**Pradeep:-** So much losses!

**Sharma Ji:-** Similarly in 1969 an American scientist Professor Robert T.Pen had removed a species of star fish from a portion of the ocean. Later on it was discovered that within a span of 25 years, a species of oyster spread in the whole area. About ten species of invertebrates were disappeared from that area. What a surprise?

**Dinesh:-** What a great damage by Professor Pen.

**Sharma Ji:-** Dinesh...it was Prof.Pen who coined the word, “ Key stone species”. It was he who explained the importance of ecosystem. Before that we were considering our Nature and its resources as a source for materialistic gain. Nature gives us so much that we can't imagine.

**Pradeep:-** Yes...as our bear ...(laughing)

**Sharma Ji:-** Pradeep it is not good to take all these so lightly. Bhalu...I mean bear is very important key stone species. The Grizzly bear that has been found in North America is very important link in ecosystem and food chain. This bear eat and survive on salmon fishes. The berry seeds have been dispersed by the bear in the whole forest area.

**Pradeep:-** Oh ! This means...if this Grizzly bear gets extinct....the whole forest system will be destroyed.

**Dinesh:-** Yes Pradeep. It is not only forest but the whole ecosystem system will be destroyed.

**Umakant:-** Sharma Ji...what else are the importance of this Nature.

**Sharma Ji:-**Yes...yes...the biggest gift of our Nature is oxygen. Can you evaluate its importance in terms of money? All these plants, trees, herbs and shrubs generate oxygen for our planet Earth and the living organisms that found on it. This is more than enough...

**Pradeep:-** Oxygen was given to my father through oxygen cylinder. My father was suffering from lung diseases.

**Dinesh:-** Pradeep it is right. But we need electricity to run machines and we need money to purchase a machine. Our Nature is doing all these jobs without taking a single penny.

**Umakant:-** If we calculate the value of Oxygen concentrator and the power that has been consumed, it is impossible to return the debt. It will take many generations to repay that debt.

**Dinesh:-** Nature is giving so much to us and charge nothing. All these fruits, vegetables, grains etc. have been generated by our Nature in its own labs without charging a single penny from us. Human race is progressing at fast pace, still it is impossible for us to create so much bio-diversity. On the other hand we are destroying all these.

**Pradeep:-** (In very slow voice): Do you know? Scientists are working to produces artificial meat in the labs.

**Umakant:-** Dear Pradeep...your burger will cost more than one crore...Who is going to eat? If it became cheap and affordable, who know the quality and the side effects that may be caused by it? Many generations will pass away till the final result is out.

#####(Laughing)#####

**Sharma ji:-** Well said Umakant. But have a thought on it. Where do you want to go from the rush of urban life? What would you like? Concrete jungles or beautiful scene of Nature. You have nothing to cost for Nature beauty and the cold wind. Nature charges nothing from any one.

**Dinesh:-** These days some person are charging for all these Natural beauty. There is commercialisation of nature too.

##### Laughing#####

**Sharma Ji:-** We feel proud by having the latest technology. But where is knowledge? Nothing has been done and yet not succeeded in building a layer of Ozone. Progress....where is progress? Does our Nature charge for its oxygen cycle? Yes....yes.....Where as we have to pay to lift our garbage in cities.

**Pradeep:-** We can't compensate our Nature in term of money. Sharma Ji...you are right. But we can't go back to jungle to leave life. Development is also a part of Nature and it works on the principle of development.

**Sharma Ji:-**Pradeep well said. Development is a continuous process. But we should understand the meaning of development and destruction. Wars are going on in the whole world.....some may be direct and some may be indirect. To whom can you blame?

**Dinesh:-** There are so many reasons. But financial greed is the main cause.

**Sharma Ji:-**Right Dinesh....materialistic gain and we are saying that human civilization is progressing. Is it development? ....More than fifty percent population is living below poverty. Facing so much disparity. Some have in plenty while others are living in scarcities.

**Umakant:-** This means development is for few people. One finding says that 80% resources of the world are in the hands of one percent population.

**Sharma Ji:-**There is great lesson that we can learn from our Nature. Our Nature is generous and it always gives us. On the other hand we the human beings are exploiters. This is the root cause of this problem. The same question I ask to my young generation. What are they doing to protect our Nature?

**Pradeep:-** Sharma Ji...there is deep meaning in your message. We can't give back to mother Earth, what she is giving to us. Air, water, soil etc. are basic requirement for life. They are gifted to us by our Nature. Knowingly or unknowingly, we are simply exploiting our natural resources.



**Umakant:-** Well said Pradeep! Sharma Ji we can learn lots from our Nature. A great lesson we can have from our Nature.

**##### Suddenly Dinesh is shouting #####**

**Dinesh:-** Oh...are you listening.....Sunil has resigned from his company.

**Sharma Ji:-**Dinesh ..... What are you saying?

**Dinesh:-** Hello! There is something in the TV news. See....that ...breaking news. Pradeep please increase the volume of the TV.

**##### Voice of the TV Anchor#####**

**Announcer/Anchor:-**From some reliable sources we have been informed that eminent Indian Origin Businessman Mr.Sunil Sharma has resigned from his post. This year he was awarded Businessman of the Year Award by the American Government.

**Sharma Ji:-** What Sunil has done? Oh! Raju...please get my phone.

**##### Phone Bell is ringing#####**

**Raju:-** Sir, Sunil Bhaia is on the line.

**Sharma Ji:-**Yes ...yes....I am getting you. What I am listening? Is it true? O.K. Your mother is also coming. O.K. ....fine.....be happy.

**##### Sound effect of phone #####**

**Dinesh:-** Sharma is ...What is the matter? Sunil was saying something.

**Sharma Ji:-**Nothing...He is saying that he is returning back to India on next Sunday. Now he will stay in India along with his family.

**Pradeep:-** What are you saying? Nobody can leave such a lucrative job.

**Sharma Ji:-**What can you say about new generation? O.K. leaves it as they are coming in next three days.

**##### Scene Change#####**

**##### Sound effect of bell#####**

**Dinesh:-** Oh ! Raju...Sunil has arrived.

**Raju:-** Yes Sir...they have arrived just now. Only some hard words from Babu Ji. Please come inside.

**(Sharma Ji ....shouting in loud voice)**

**Sharma Ji:-**I have sacrificed everything for your sake. Big dreams I had seen for you. But you have resigned from one of the biggest company of the world.

**Sunil:-** Namaste uncle!

Sharma Ji:- (In anger) Oh my son! You must have given some thought. Have you discussed with your mother. In her entire life she prayed for your wellbeing. She took so much pain for you in her life and you left your lucrative job without giving any ear to her.

**Dinesh:-** Sharma Ji, please cool down. Let's him have some rest. Sit down Sunil...please come here.

**Sunil:-** Uncle it is fine. Let's papa continue. He has full right to say something to me. Papa I have left my luxurious life....but for whom?

**Sharma Ji:-**For whom...just to fulfil your ego.( in anger)

**Mother:-** Please first give some ear to him.

**Sunil:-** Yes Papa! Ego for my children. Ego for my papa, ego for my mother and for my family and moreover for my motherland.

**Pradeep:-** What do you want to say my son?

**Sunil:-** I am right uncle. Pradeep uncle, I have earned lots of money but there is no peace of mind. I exploited my mother Earth and excavated oil, minerals, coal etc. Cut trees and sold air purifiers just to fulfil my lust for money.

**Sharma Ji:** What are you saying my son( in depression)

**Sunil:-** Yes Papa. Our Earth has given us everything to live a happy life. But it is impossible for her to fulfil our greed. Our Earth has gifted us with so many resources but we always measured them in term of

earthly gain. Our mother Earth is crying not for herself but for our own survival.

**Umakant:-** Sunil ! We are proud of you.

**Sunil:-** Yes Umakant uncle. If we continue to exploit our natural resources, the day is not far away, when this mother Earth will take its own steps. The day is not far away to recreate a new cycle of life. But in that cycle we shall not be there. Life will be there but in different forms.

**Sharma Ji:-**I am proud of you my dear son. I was so selfish and ignorant and forget the truth. What I had taught you in my life, you are following that in true sense.

**Pradeep:-** Yes Sunil. You opened our eyes. Sharma Ji ...you have well said, “This Nature should not be weigh in term of.....”

**(In one voice)..... money**

**##### Effect of loud laughter #####**

**### Instrumental music of ST with closing announcement ###**

**Science Quiz:-**

1. What is level of carbon di-oxide in our atmosphere?

Answer:-- 410 PPM

2. 80% resources of the Nature are in the hands of what percent of the world population?

Answer:- One percent population of the world.

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