

Animation Project on

GENDER DISCRIMINATION

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Gender discrimination refers to the practice of granting or denying rights or privileges to a person based on their gender

INTRODUCTION

- Why only Sita had to give Agni Pariksha and not Lord Rama?
- Why do only the sisters, daughters, mothers and the wives have to do fastings for the good of their fellow men and not the other way round?
- Why does the Dulha walk ahead of Dulhan during marriage phera?
- Why cant boys bring dowry like the girls do?
- Why cant a girl inherit the property of her father?

Patriarchal Society

• An age old Patriarchal Society in India Property rights only for sons on as the status symbol

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"Baap ko kandha dene waala"
"Ladki paraaye ghar ka dhan"
"Ladki ghar ki izzat hoti hai"
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- Sex ratio decline in India
- 78% of labour force in agriculture is women
- Almost 100 % kitchen work, child care and household work is taken care of exclusively by women.
- 274 girls died in Punjab everyday before they were born.

So causes of gender discrimination

- Historical
- Social
- Religious
- Economic

Social Constructs

Male

- Masculine
- Physically Stronger
- Tough Skinned
- Independent
- Competitive
- Experienced
- Self Confident
- Hard
- Rebellious

Female

- Feminine
- Physically Weaker
- Emotional
- Dependent
- Quite
- Sensitive
- Graceful
- Soft
- Accepting

Birth preference

Education

Job

Portrayal of women in movies

Dowry

Eve Teasing

Physical / Sexual harassment

Acid Attack

Rape

Female Child Infanticide

Female infanticide is the deliberate killing of new-born female children. They don't want a girl to be born and are biased towards a boy. This practice is the reason for the death of millions of girl child and is a major cause of the unbalanced ratio of girls to boys. In India there are 921 girls to 1000 boys.

Eve Teasing

Eve Teasing is a problem in almost all the countries. During an eve teasing, a woman is passed unwanted sexual remarks and sometimes advances of a man in a public place. Sometimes it leads to the crime like rapes and murders.

Physical/Sexual Harassment Sexual harassment

is basically a form of bullying, where a person who is stronger, generally men, try to make unwanted sexual advances, request for sexual favours or obscene remarks to a woman, and threatened them not to tell anybody. There are cases of workplaces.

Acid Attack

Acid attack is another type of violence against women. It is a form of violent attack or assault defined as the act of throwing acid into the body of another with the intention of disfiguring the face of a girl. It damages the skin tissue, often exposing and dissolving the bones of the victim.

Rape

It is a sexual assault involving the sexual intercourse by a person or a group of people initiated against the victim without their consent. It is recognized as a crime against humanity.

Trafficking (Illegal trading):

The girls were forced into prostitution or domestic work or child labour.

Dowry

is a payment of cash or gifts or any kind of property to the groom's family during the marriage of a daughter. It is common in India to pay some amount of valuable items like jewellery, cash, furniture, crockery, cash, car, or anything else which is generally required to set up their new home. Sometimes when the bride's family is unable to fulfil their requirements, the groom's family starts abusing and violence against the bride.

Education

Few people think that there is no use of wasting money in teaching their daughter. Because some day their daughter will get married and will go to her husband's family. This is because of the Patriarchy, the women have to leave their parents' home after marriage. Reports have shown that only 26.6% women over the age of 25 have secondary education

Less Job Income

Glass ceiling theory - "there is an invisible barrier that prevents someone from achieving further success." The female of the same position as a male co-worker gets less paid. Due to this they are unable to advance in a business or unable to achieve success.

• Portrayal of women in movies, media and video games

Bechdal Test - A work of fiction should feature at least two women who talk to each other about something other than a man and should have a name."

Games like Mario portrays women as an Object

Some old discrimination systems

- Dudhpiti system:
 A system followed in olden times where a girl child was killed by drowning her in milk.
- Dowry systems:
 Is the money given in the form of shelter to bride at the time of marriage so that she is well maintained by the groom.
 And those who failed to pay dowry, either daughters are ill treated and they finally commit sucide.
- Purdah system:
 Is the practice of requiring woman to cover their bodies so as to cover their skin and conceal their form. Now it is declining tradition in india, practiced mostly by Muslims.
- Widow exploitation:
 Widows are still ill treated. They are condemned to a life of great agony shaving their heads, shunned from the society.

RESEARCH

Gender equality starts here



Female Infanticide

- Infanticide is the unlawful killing of very young children.
- Female infanticide is the deliberate killing of girl babies. It is also described as gender-selective killing or "gendercide".
- Female infanticide is more common than male infanticide, and in some countries, particularly India and China, is likely to have serious consequences on the balance of the sexes in the population.
- The reasons behind it are almost always cultural, rather than directly religious. The Causes:

Family economics: Some parents (particularly poor ones) who can't afford to support a large family, will kill female babies. Girls are considered a drain on family resources during their childhood without bringing economic benefits later on.

Earning power: Men are usually the main income-earners, either because they are more employable or earn higher wages for the same work.

Potential pensions: In many societies, parents depend on their children to look after them in old age. But in many of these cultures a girl leaves her parental family and joins her husband's family when she marries.

Dowry: Some girl babies are killed so that the family doesn't have to pay a dowry when they get married.

Government policy: Chinese Government introduced a One Child per Family Policy there was a surge in female infanticide. Families needed to have a son because of their higher earning potential, so a girl baby was an economic disaster for them.

Female Infanticide





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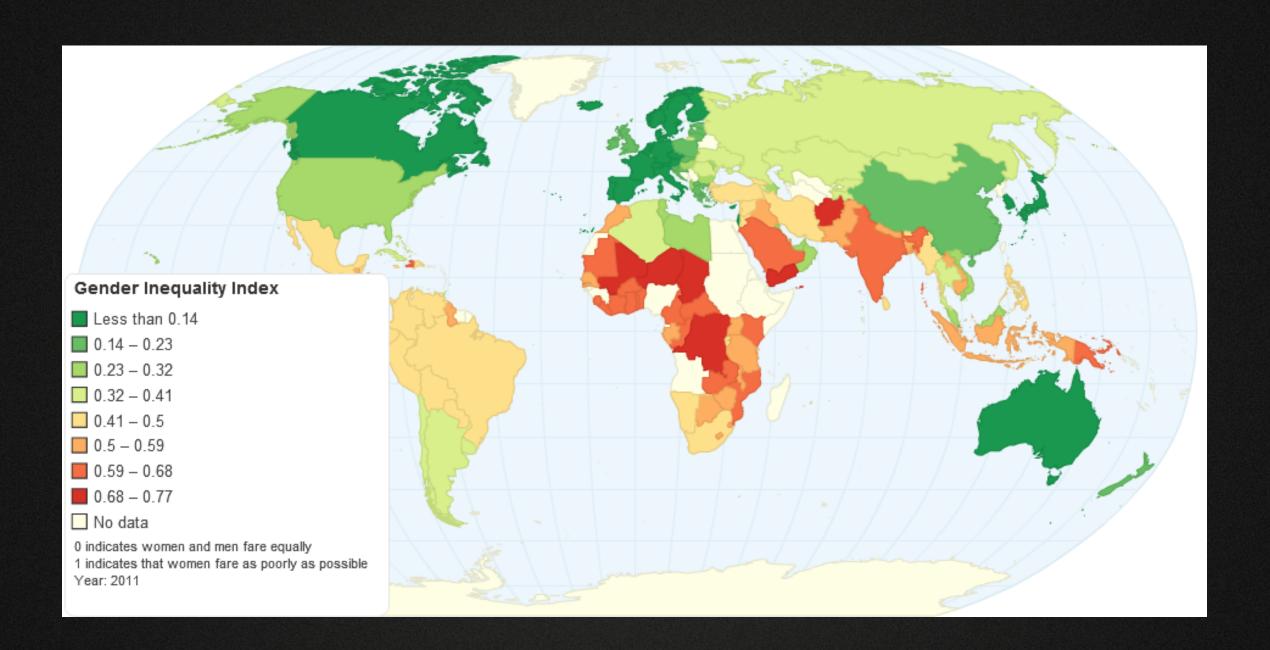
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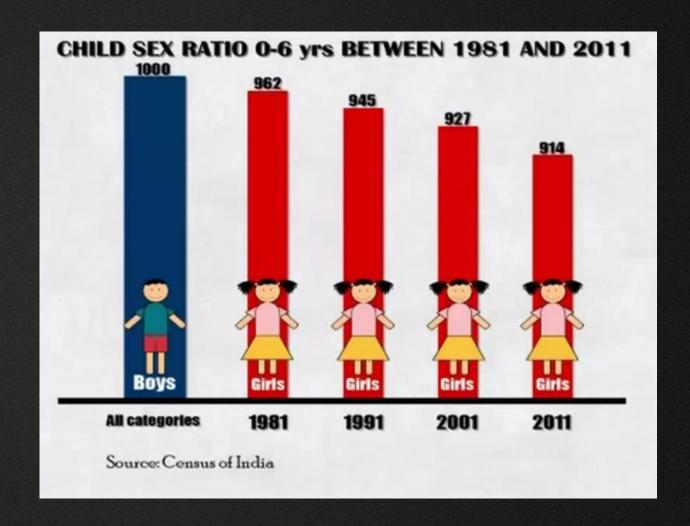
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- 1029 women per 1000 men in North America
- 1076 women per 1000 men in Europe
- 914 women per 1000 men in India.
- 90 lac women per 1 crore men
- 86,000 women are killed in every 10 years
- 200 million girls are missing in the world today because of "gendercide".



Need of Making a Movie

- To spread an awareness among the people
- To demotivate Gendercide/Abortion
- Awareness about the term feminism





CONCEPT

Concept of Strings

• Social Constructs as a String, which controls the women and don't let them achieve success

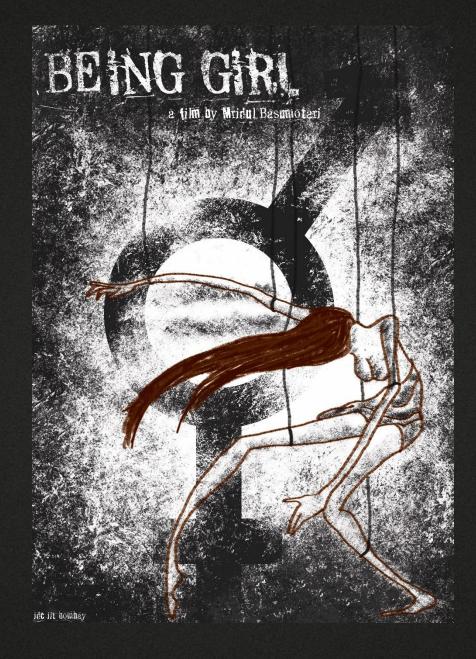




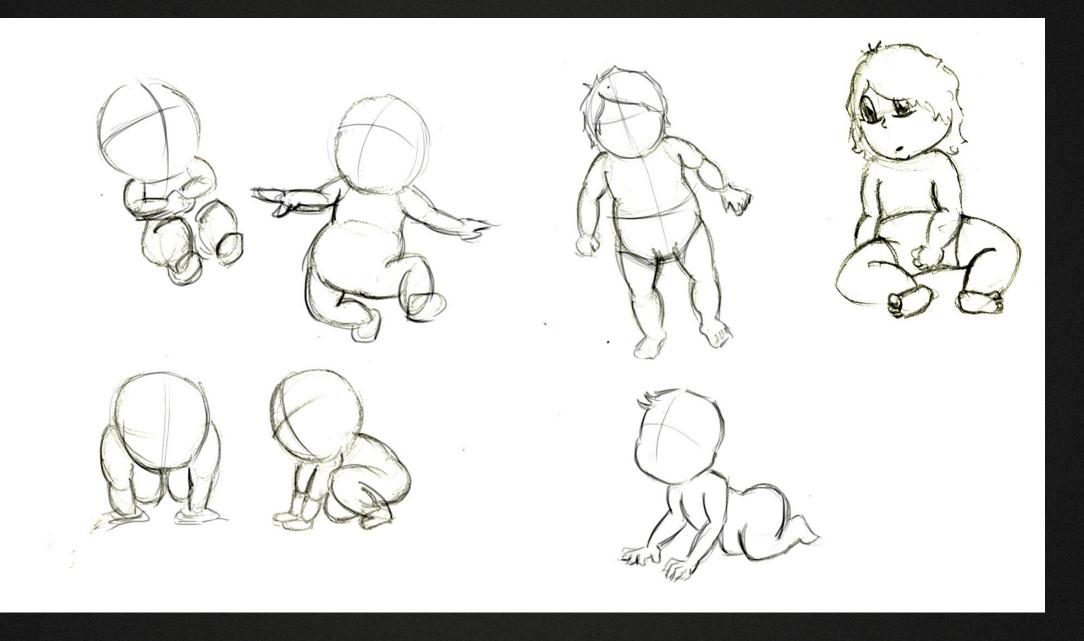




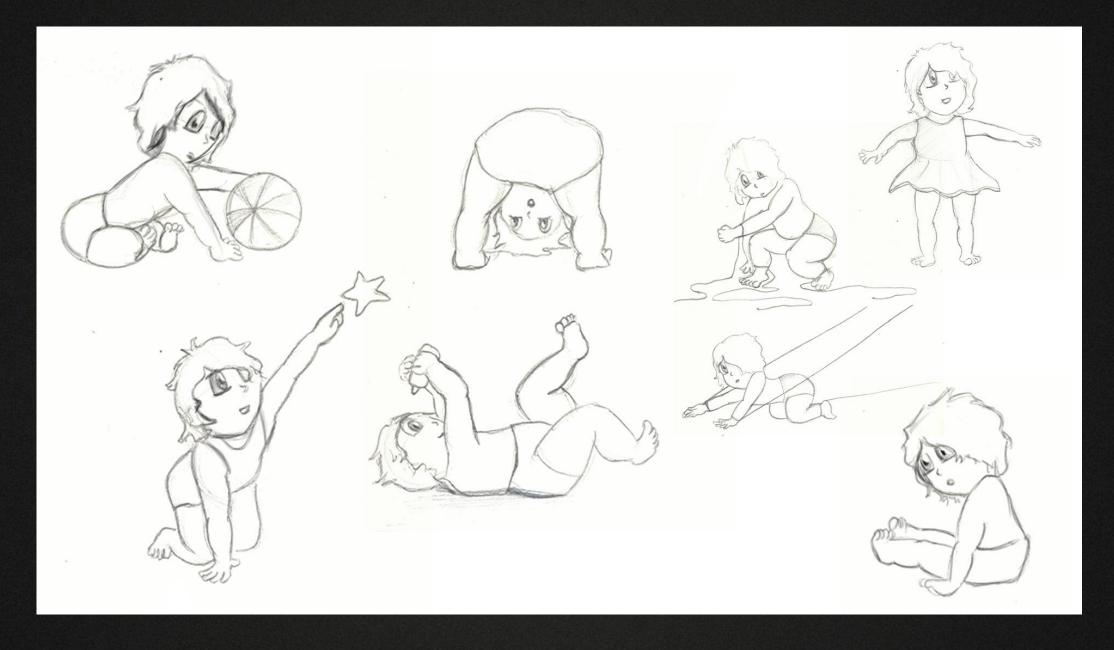
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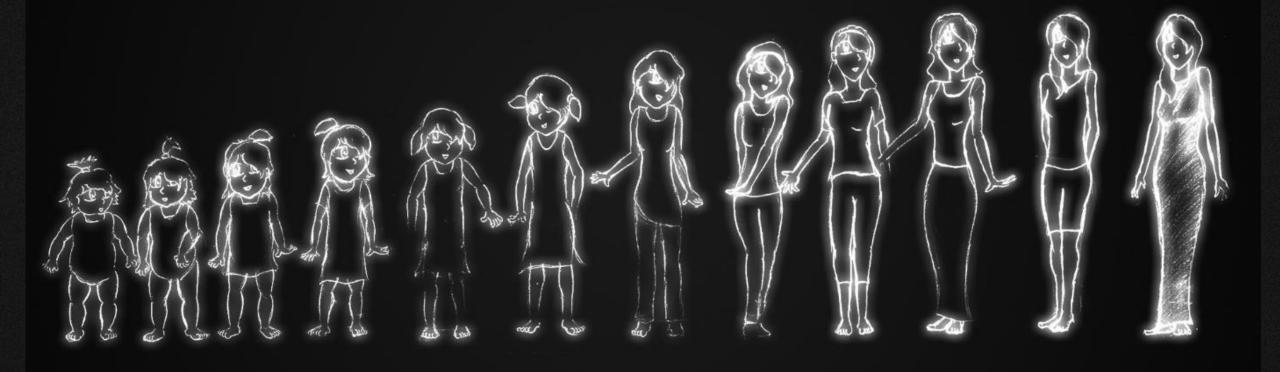
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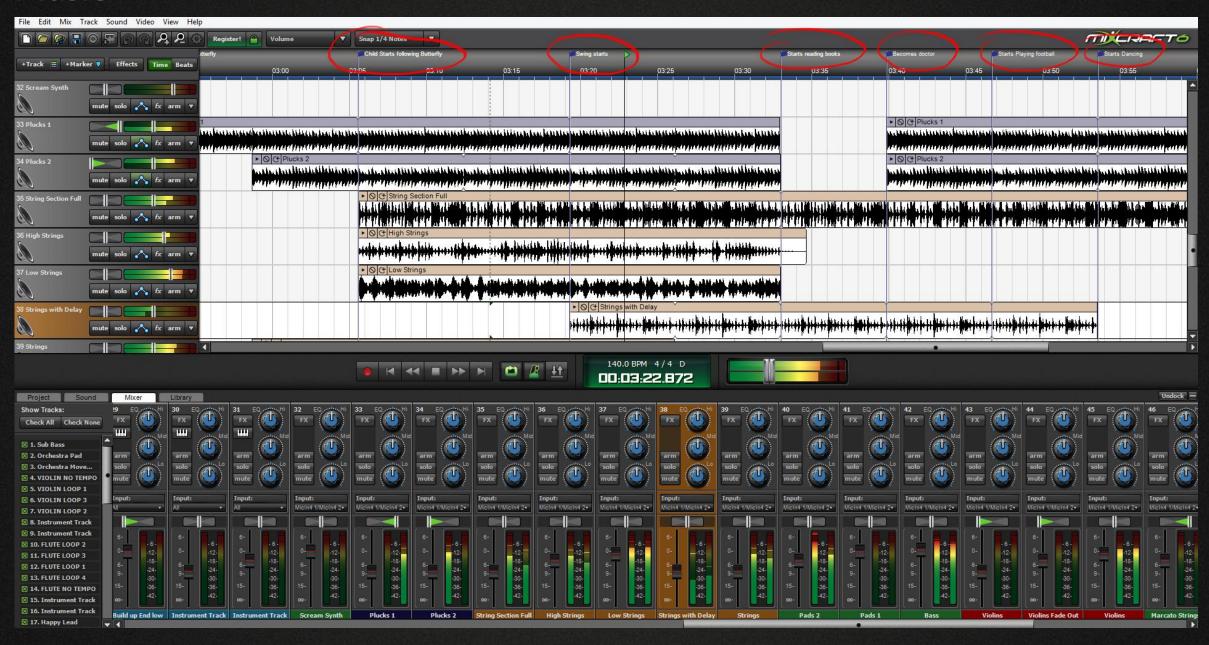
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STORYBOARD

MUSIC

Music



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