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## **B.R.AMBEDKAR AND NASIK SATYAGRAHA**

Twentieth century witnessed a number of protest satyagrahas . The year 1930 was a year of action and reaction in the history of India. It was the age of Satyagraha. It was in this year that Mahatma Gandhi inaugurated his great movement for the liberation of the country on 12<sup>th</sup> March 1930 and transformed the whole country into a theater of passive resistance. In the same year ten days before the Dandi March of Gandhiji, Ambedkar, the wounded healer of the untouchables, launched his temple entry movement at Nasik.<sup>1</sup>

### **Philosophy of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar**

The life of Bhima Rao Ambedkar was marked by struggles but he proved that every hurdle in life can be surmounted with talent and firm determination. The biggest barrier in his life was the caste system adopted by the Hindu society according to which the family he was born in determined one as untouchable. An untouchable himself, Ambedkar championed the cause of the broken men as he terms the Indian untouchables and fought relentlessly throughout his life to ensure equality, social justice, self respect and freedom for them. The three words of Rousseau ie, Equality, Liberty and Fraternity had revolutionized France in 1789. B.R. Ambedkar was very much influenced by Rousseau's three words and he decided to bring justice based on equality'.<sup>2</sup>

That is why, perhaps Gandhi described him as "fierce and fearless" and Nehru acclaimed him as a symbol of revolt against all the oppressive features of Hindu society'.<sup>3</sup> He became convinced that Hinduism and caste systems were mutually inter-dependent. Abolishing the caste system amounted to demolishing the very foundation of Hinduism which could not be acceptable to any Hindu. Thus the eradication of the caste system necessitated the renunciation of Hinduism itself which was a menace to basic human