



## Phullan Nu Kitaban Vich Na Rakho: Don't Put Flowers In Books

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**Abstract:** The field Of Punjabi drama is very vast in Punjabi literary thought. As the drama has developed, new experiments has been seen in it. Among the dramatists of the modern generation ,the play writer Pali Bhupinder has written the children's drama ' Phullan nu Kitaban vich Na Rakho'. Basically this is a satire on present education system . By presenting the problems society Home work ,Tuition work , burden of school bags ,desires of parents ,child's psychology by presenting the problems,hope to improve the education system.

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Don't put the flowers in books is a famous children's play by Pali Bhupinder. Its theme is related to present day education system in which children have to bear the burdon of heavy school bags and excess home work. In today's education system ,many new courses are introduced by the schools and they want to cover maximum syllabus of each subject well in time. And homework is given to children for each subject. The whole day of the student is spent in school work ,tuition work. Home work. They have no time to play or any other recreational activity ,survives all the time parent's urge to study. no one listens to children's mind.

They know that education is a necessity in present era ,there is no choice without it, but, they also want homework to be reduced so that they can spend some time to play games or watch TV or read comics.

The current education system is making children only bookworms. Parents also want their children to study only. Infact, parents have lots of expectations from children. They want their children to fulfil their dreams. Everyone wants their child to be a Doctor or an engineer.. But all children feel heavy pressure of unrealistic desire, they feel overburden. Their burdons are so heavy that they think they will die under this burdon. Hearing the conversation of of the children, their mental condition is pitiful or sympathetic

“ dr. Ja engineer ta oh ta hi banan ge je oh zinda bachnge”

it is also known they become book worms in this way. It has a bad effect on physical and mental development .For the balanced development of delicate children like flowers, they should be exposed to sports and other creative activities along with studies.

In this play ,the political condition of our country has also been described in an ironic tone.

JD: “ Bai aapan nu koi bahuti bandish nhi, pro –pro, na pro-na pro.... aapna te eko hi formula hai zindgi da. ,baki kam sb baad vich, pehla seht zruri hai.”

“ek din math vale khanna sir aapne pitah sri nu mil gye bazaar vich.....kehnde ,tuhada beta prda nhi...

Daddy kehnde bai sir ji, pareha ta us da peon hi... oh kitthon prehga?

Khanna Sir Kehnde ,Bai je oh pareha nhi ta kruga ki?

Daddy kehnde, AApan us nu Politics vich pa dange.Leader banan vaste tan Anparh bande bahle hi fit hunde ae.

Through this play,It is wanted to tell that parents impose their unfulfil desires on children,but children want to explore the world with an independent mind.Under the burdon of these books ,children feel their lives hanging on a nail.Under these burdons,the height of children is small.They have thick thic glasses on their eyes. In old times

“ Purane sme vich keha janda si ki kitaban de gyan nal banda gdhe di matt ton gyani banda si pr ajoke bacheyan nu lagda hai ki oh basteyan de bhar nal bachche bandeyan tyon gadhe ban gye hn,ek tan pro ate duja ehna da bhar vi dhoiya jave”

In the absence of parents they convened a meeting,and passed a memorendam to beet the school bag.

They want to beat school bags but they also know that if they don't study ,they have to cook, wash utensils or sell potatoes.so they have to study to avoid this kind of trouble.

Nikky becomes Nilpari in her imagination and listen to the cries of the children by setting up a court.In which the children tell about the burdon of school bag ,burdon of books,the restriction on play,overburden of homework ,the punishment of being a murga.

Nilpari calls the minister,Principal, mom, dad, lawyer,in her court and the trial starts.

Teachers say that we have to do other work in schools, so home work is given.If you don't study,you should study tuition.

Bona Jaduger says, “ other work like going on strike ,holding meetings and stitched knits.”

The Principal says that all schools impose more syllabs ,if we impose less, then parents will withdraw their children from our school and we will suffer much loss.

Parents could not study because of their incompetence and now they want their children to fulfil their dreams.They think that if the girl becomes doctor,then the dowry will be saved and if the boy becomes an engineer, then they will get the demanded dowry

All of the above shows that education has become a bargain.Mom and Dad guard the innocent for showing off.

‘Teachers pretend that we get less salaries ,so we do tuitions’

Teachers : “ sanu tankhah ghatt mildi hai is lyi tuition krde han’

Teachers say the reason for the tuition is low salary.

The management gives less salary because they have to maintain the school building’

The management says that because of the expenditure on the building of the school, that's why pay less salary to the staff.

“School di building upper kharch hunda hai is lai tankhah ghatt dinde han”

Parents did not pass their papers, so they put the burden of education on their children to fulfil their dreams.

The minister says that, if the children play then they may get hurt and after study they become nawabs and after playing they will be spoiled. Also they are not going to cast vote. The vote should be given by the parents. Then why should we offend them?

The Minister says “ Jekr bachche khedange tan ohna nu satt lgg skdi hai. ate par likh ke oh nawab banange te khed ke khrab honge , nale bacheyan ne kihra vote deni hai, vote tan ma –bap ne deni hai, ohna nu kyon naraz kriye”

In the last they put the blame on the children who do not want to study.

In terms of the subject matter, this is a successful play, the aim of which is to shed light on the thinking of parents, teachers, principals, education ministers and the burden placed on children by the flawed education system.

It is a successful play in terms of characterization. It deals with the mental stress of the children which is caused by the burden of studies. Nikky is the main character of the play. She is born in middle class family. Vicky was her brother. She is troubled because of the load of studies. She wants to roam freely like a butterfly. She listens the children's pleas by becoming the Neelpari in her thoughts and calls their culprits i.e. parents, teachers, principal, minister etc to her court and wants all together to free the children from this stress and burden.

It is a successful play in terms of theatre. There is no scene or incidence or event in it which cannot be performed on the stage. The purpose of theater is to bring out our personal and social weaknesses. It has to do with the current educational structure in which children are overburdened with more books than necessary. They have no time to play. They have neither time nor permission to play. It depicts the mental stress of the children due to the burden of bags. The thinking of parents, teachers, principal, minister has been satirised. There is no incident seems extra and curiosity and excitement is maintained till end. The play begins with psychological tension and ends with an ironic exposition of its causes. The content of the play is very well received. Its ironic style brings color to the play.

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