# **Science Education for Wholistic Development of Teachers**

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Abstract: The paper explores the possible role of Science Education for wholistic development of teachers. It opens up with the intent of Science to have a comprehensive knowledge base, though the approach is atomistic. It presents wholistic approach, wholistic education and wholistic science education. It culminates into wholistic Development of Teachers through an illustration on Tea preparation concluding that, though atomistic, the ultimate aim of Science is to have a comprehensive knowledge base of the entire universe to facilitate healthy, happy, full and meaningful life in resonance with all.

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## Introduction

Science explores and art expresses. Science intends to reveal the whole in an interrelated atomistic way. The drive of Science is to move from dot to globe, from elements to compounds, from disciplinary to interdisciplinary, from point to morphology. Occurrence of any phenomenon, however, big or small is wholistic, such as, flying of birds, constellation and movements of the celestial bodies, evaporation of water and rainfall, viscosity and surface tension, electric discharge between clouds and thunder, chemical reactants, products and equation, osmosis and reverse osmosis, conservation of mass and momentum, and heart and brain entrainment. Science tends to have wholistic understanding of the interrelation, correlation & cause and effect relation of perceptible variables. There is an inherent move from constructivism to connectionism and wholism. We need to learn to appreciate the beauties of Science with universal positivism.

NCERT Focus Group (2005) highlights that Science Education should enable the learner to know the facts and principles of science and its applications, to acquire the skills and understand the methods and processes that lead to generation and validation of scientific knowledge, to develop a historical and developmental

perspective of science and to enable the learner to view science as a social enterprise, to relate to the environment, local, as well as, global, and appreciate the issues at the interface of science, technology and society, to nurture the natural curiosity, aesthetic sense and creativity in science and technology, to imbibe the values of honesty, integrity, co-operation, concern for life and preservation of environment and to cultivate 'scientific temper'-objectivity, critical thinking and freedom from fear and prejudice. Thus, science education is to develop human beings for peaceful coexistence in the world.

Teachers are the very important stakeholder of the society, because teachers can lead community and nation towards better and fruitful life. Teaching is a profession and teacher education is a process of professional preparation of teachers. Teachers are concerned, in an important way, with the total development of human beings – physical, intellectual, emotional, social, moral and spiritual. Teacher quality is a function of several factors: teachers' status, remuneration, conditions of work and their academic and professional education. The teacher education system through its initial and continuing professional development programmes is expected to ensure an adequate supply of professionally competent teachers to run the nation's schools. Initial teacher education especially, has a major part to play in the making of a teacher. It marks the initiation of the novice entrant to the calling and as such has tremendous potential to imbue the would-be teacher with the aspirations, knowledge-base, repertoire of pedagogic capacities and humane attitudes. (NCFTE, 2009)Here the focus is developing humane and professional teacher through wholistic science education.

## Wholistic Education

Huie (2010) outlined the components of Wholistic education, such as, active learning, deep understanding, critical and creative thinking, along with an emphasis on social relationships and realising the fullness of human existence. Wholistic education is a philosophy of education and concerned with the development of every person's intellectual, emotional, social, physical, and spiritual potentials. Report of Kothari commission (1964-66) has recommended cultivating social, moral and spiritual values as one of the important aims of Education. Further, Miller (1999) has been of the view that "Wholistic Education is based on the premise that each person finds identity, meaning and purpose in life through connections to the community, to the natural world, and to spiritual values, such as, compassion and peace." The wholistic education places significance on relationships and primary human values within the learning environment (Martin, 2003).

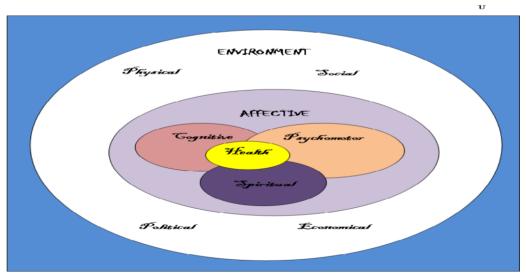
Martin & Forbes (2004) divided wholistic education into two categories: the idea of Ultimacy and Basil Bernstein's notion of Sagacious Competence.

# **Wholistic Approach**

Concept of wholistic approach is that the totality of something is much greater than the sum of its component parts and their functioning i.e. the whole cannot be understood by the isolated analysis of its parts, their nature, structure and function rather the whole is integrated functioning of all the parts with interrelation & inter-dependence. The wholistic approach is approach, such as, Naturalistic, Constructivist & Connectionist. Wholistic approach is way of teaching a subject as a whole by considering all aspects of the curriculum tending towards wholistic. It is interdisciplinary disciplinary approach dealing in integration of content within & between subjects. The content caters to cognitive, affective, psychomotor, and spiritual domains in resonance with the environment. The wholistic approach focuses on the integrated development of all the domains, that is, all round development. The wholistic approach enables students to explore their own potential and that of surroundings in an integrated way.

Maheshwari (2010) has defined holistic approach as an essential element to educating students which one seeks to open the mind, awaken the heart and nurture the spirit. Key concepts of such an approach include fostering a passion for learning and nourishing the sense of wonder. Holistic Approach is one where the education is going beyond narrow focus on the intellect, transcending space, time, matter and mind.

#### Wholistic approach can be presented through Venn diagram:



# Wholistic Approach of Science Education

Wholistic approach deals with all the domains, such as, cognitive, affective, psychomotor, health and environment, and spiritual. Science is a discipline where students learn many laws which are related to the universe. In the study of Science students are doing practical and by that they can experience success and failure. The aim of wholistic education is developing student as a whole. While exploring & gaining knowledge through the wholistic approach, the curriculum is such that it takes care of development of all the domains. Through the Science subject, development of affective domain is done because in curriculum there are so many topics related to self, relationship, health and environment. The students are able to learn and feel the environment. All the domains, such as, Health-Intelligence-Emotional- Spiritual- Environmental-Metaphysical can be developed through Science, both, Natural & Social, wholistically.

# **Development of Humane and Professional Teachers** through Wholistic Science Education

Professional and Humane qualities are required in teachers, such as, Research and Knowledge, Interest, Value and Attitude, Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance, Skill-Scale and Speed, Communication, Innovation-Creation-Construction and Connection, Dedication and Identification, Determination and Action, Empathy and Adjustment, Curiosity-Quest and Immersion, Engagement and Passion, Generosity and Authority, Yoga and Control, Motivation and Inspiration, Sensitivity and Search, Deviation and Resilience, Freedom and Control, Courage and Patience, Leadership, Administration, Organization and Management, Openness and Positivity, be-becoming-being and de-becoming, Having and Being, Production and Evolution. Above all a teacher ought to be essentially researcher, innovator, creator, connector, communicator. approachable, open, impartial and judicious intellectual. The Text of a Teacher ought to have its own testimony. Science is our extension-Radio is extension of Voice, Television is extension of Visual, Computer is extension of Brain, Motor Bike is extension of our Feet, whereas, Cloths are extension of our Skin. Science plays tremendous role in human life. Human beings have been able to transcend time and space with the help of Science. Science facilitates life and living. Science tends to know the universe. Science has the attributes of recency, omnipresence and immediacy. Wholistic science education deals with all the aspects of the universe. Ultimate aim of Science Education is development of universal beings.

# Wholistic Development of Teachers – An Illustration on Tea Preparation

## Introduction

Here is a lesson on Tea preparation employing Wholistic Approach of Science Education.

## **Inputs**

For preparation of tea there is a need to gather all the apparatus and ingredients required for the tea preparation, such as, Pan, Milk, Water, Gas stove/Kerosene stove/ Electric coil/ Induction gas, Lighter, Mach box, Pair of tongs/ Cloths used for handling hot pan, Tea leaves container/Tea bags container, Sugar container/Sugar Free Tablets Container, Basil, Eliachi (Cardamom), Ginger, Black Pepper, Sieve, Tea pot, Cup and Saucer/ Tea Mug. Edible materials used in preparation of tea are, such as, Water, Dry Tea Leaves, Ginger, Cardamom, Black Pepper, Basil, Pudina, Green Tea Leaves, Sugar.

## **Process**

After collecting all the ingredients and apparatus for preparation of tea, there is need to exercise choice for pan. After that drinking water is collected. Then the gas is burnt with the help of lighter/match box. There is need to regulate the desired volume of the flame. After boiling water, it's time to add dry tea leaves, basil, grated ginger, black pepper, green tea leaves, Pudina and cardamom. After extraction of these things there is need to add sugar and milk. Boil for some time and pour it in tea pot, serve it in cups and enjoy Tea. This is the simple recipe for Tea.

## **Emerging Questions**

- 1. What ought to be the characteristics of the Pan used for tea preparation?
- 2. What is the chemical composition of all the ingredients used in preparation of tea?
- 3. Why water for extraction of ingredients?
- 4. What is the chemical composition of the various materials?
- 5. What are the contents of the prepared tea?
- 6. What is TEA as a whole & what for?

## Properties of materials and ingredients

## a) Properties of Metals

- 1. Metals, in their pure state, have a shining surface. This property is called metallic lustre.
- 2. Metals are generally hard. The hardness varies from metal to metal. They are solids at room temperature, except mercury which is a liquid.
- 3. Some metals can be beaten into thin sheets. This property is called malleability. Gold and silver are the most malleable metals
- 4. The ability of metals to be drawn into thin wires is called ductility. Gold is the most ductile metal.
- 5. Because of their malleability and ductility metals can be given different shapes according to our needs.
- 6. Metals are good conductors of heat and have high melting points. The best conductors of heat are silver and copper. Lead and mercury are comparatively poor conductors of heat.
- 7. Metals can form positive ions by losing electrons to non-metals.
- 8. Metals combine with oxygen to form basic oxides. Aluminium oxide and zinc oxide show the properties of both basic as well as acidic oxides. These oxides are known as amphoteric oxides.
- 9. The pan should be optimum in size. Handle of Material of Pan should be made from non-conducting, this is insulating material. Most of the pan handles are made from asbestos.
- 10. Pan metal should be such which cannot easily peel, crack, vaporize, dissolve or harbor bacteria. It should be a good conductor of heat in order to cook food uniformly, and it should be easy to clean thoroughly. Alloy can be used for best result because it has good quality of more than one metal.

## b) Water

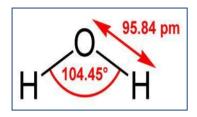
Water is the most abundant compound on Earth's surface, covering about 70 percent of the planet. In nature, water exists in liquid, solid, and gaseous states.

Density: 1,000.00 kg/m<sup>3</sup> Molar mass: 18.01528 g/mol Boiling point: 99.98 °C

Formula: H<sub>2</sub>O

Melting point: 0.0 °C

IUPAC NAME: Dihydrogen oxide





Water is a tasteless, odorless liquid. At ambient temperature and pressure, it appears colourless in small quantities, although it has its own intrinsic very light blue hue. Water has pH 7.

#### c) Milk

The constituents of milk are water, lipids, carbohydrates, proteins, vitamins and minerals.

#### • Water:

This constitutes about 85-87% of milk. This is the main medium for the suspension of all other components.

#### • Lipids:

Milk is an emulsion and the lipids are found in a globular form. The main lipids present in milk are triglycerides, phospholipids and cho-lesterol. The triglycerides are formed of a number of fatty acids, such as, palmitic acid, stearic acid, lauric acid, and linolic acid. Lecithin, Cholin and many cerebrosides are other forms of fats present in milk. The percentage of fats in milk varies in different breeds; it may vary from 3.5-5%.

The fatty substances in milk can be separated in a solid form by applying centrifugal force after it is allowed to get curdled. Butter, the concentrated fat of milk is an important food ingredient in human diet. Ghee is another product obtained by melting the butter.

#### Carbohydrates:

The most important carbohydrate present in milk is lactose. It is commonly called milk sugar. Lactose is a disaccharide formed of two monomers of monosaccharides-glucose and galactose.

#### • Protein:

Among the proteins, casine commonly called the milk protein is the most important constituent. In milk, casine combines with calcium forming calcium

caseinate. For growing children casine is a very essential protein. Other proteins of milk include lacto albumins and lactoglobulins.

#### Vitamins and minerals:

Milk contains a number of essential mineral elements such as sodium, potassium, calcium, magnesium, iron, copper, iodine etc. Among the vitamins, milk has B complex and vitamin C and A. Even vitamin D and E are present in milk.

#### How milk is wholesome diet

Milk contains calcium, vitamin A, vitamin B12, iodine, riboflavin, potassium, magnesium, zinc, phosphorus, carbohydrate and high quality protein. These components make Milk a wholesome diet.

## **Properties of Milk (Colloidal Solution)**

- 1. Milk is a colloidal solution. A colloid is a heterogeneous mixture.
- 2. The particles of a colloid are uniformly spread throughout the solution. Due to the relatively smaller size of particles the mixture appears to be homogeneous.
- 3. But actually, a colloidal solution is a heterogeneous mixture. Because of the small size of colloidal particles, we cannot see them with naked eyes. But, these particles can easily scatter a beam of visible light. This scattering of a beam of light is called the Tyndall effect.
- 4. They do not settle down when left undisturbed, that is, a colloid is quite stable.

#### d) Sugar

Sugar is also known as sucrose. Natural source of sucrose are beetroot and sugarcane. Sucrose is a disaccharide constituent of glucose and fructose. During the process of digestion by sucrose enzyme sucrose split into monosaccharide namely, glucose and fructose. Sugar (sucrose) found in two form i.e. powder and crystalline.

Molecular Formula of sucrose: C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>22</sub>O<sub>11</sub>

#### Structural Formula:

## Sugar Free Powder/ Tablet

Sugar Free is a substitute of sugar for diet. Sugar free is used as artificial sweetening agents which are stevia, aspartame, sucralose, neotame, acesulfame potassium, and saccharin. Sugar Free found in different forms i.e. tablet, powder and liquid. Sugar Free is very much useful for diabetic patient and calorie conscious people.

## e) Tea leaves

Compounds presents in tea leaves are polyphenols, amino acids, enzymes, pigments, carbohydrates, methylxanthines, minerals and many volatile flavor and aromatic compounds which give aroma, flavor, and taste to tea.

- 1. Polyphenols: Polyphenols are largely responsible for astringency. There are an estimated 30,000 polyphenolic compounds in tea, flavonoids are arguably the most important group of polyphenols in tea and are the source of the many health claims surrounding tea, and specifically tea antioxidants. A strong cup of tea contains around 180-240 mg of polyphenol compounds.
- 2. Flvanols: Flavanols are also referred to as tannins, and during oxidation are converted to the aflavins and the arubigins—the compounds responsible for the dark colour and robust flavours notably present in black tea. The major flavanols in tea are: catechin (C), epicatechin (EC), epicatechingallate (ECG), gallocatechin (GC), epigallocatechin (EGC), and epigallocatechingallate (EGCG). EGCG is the most active of these catechins and is often the subject of studies regarding tea antioxidants. Tea flavanols are sometimes collectively referred to as catechins. Besides flavanols, tea flavonoids also include flavonols, flavones, isoflavones, and anthocyanins; all of which contribute to the colour of a tea's infusion and its taste.

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3. Amino Acids: Tea leaves contain many amino acids, the most abundant of which is theanine. Theanine, more specifically L-Theanine is responsible for promoting

- alpha brain wave activity which promotes relaxation. L-Theanine in concert with caffeine can induce a state of "mindful alterness" in the tea drinker.
- 4. Enymes: Polyphenol oxidase and peroxidase are the most important enzymes in tea leaves. They are responsible for the enzymatic browning of tea leaves that takes place when the cell walls in the leaves are broken and the polyphenols are exposed to oxygen otherwise known as oxidation.
- 5. *Methylxanthines:* Methylxanthines in tea include the stimulant caffeine and two similar compounds: theobromine and theophylline. Methylxanthines also contribute to a bitter taste.

## Composition of a black tea beverage

Substance	% dry weight
Epi-galloctechingallate	4.6
Epi-galloctechin	1.1
Epi-atechingallate	3.9
Epi-atechin	1.2
Flavonolglycoides	trace
Bisflavanols	trace
Theaflavins	2.6
Theaflavic acid	trace
Thearbigins	35.9
Caffeine	7.6
Theobromine	0.7
Theophyllne	0.3
Galle acid	1.2
Chlorogenic acid	0.2
Oxalic acid	1.5
Malonie acid	0.02
Succinieaeid	0.1
Malie acid	0.3
Acniticaeid	0.01
Citrie acid	0.8
Lipids	4.8
Monosacchardes	6.9
Peetin	0.2
Polysacchardes	4.2
Peptides	6.0
Theanine	3.6
Other amino acids	3.0
Potassium	4.8
Other minerals	4.7
Volatiles	0.01

Adapted from Graham (1984)

## Effect of Milk on Polyphenols present in Tea

The compounds in Tea derived from catechins can have antioxidant effects on the body, these could have beneficial effects on cardio vascular health. Casein proteins in milk could bind to polyphenols and as a result prevent their antioxidant effects.

## f) Medicinal uses of different herbs used in preparation of tea

### 1. Name: Ginger

Scientific Name: Zingiberofficinale

It is used in preparation of tea to prevent morning sickness, motion sickness, and nausea that accompanies gastroenteritis.

#### 2. Name: Cardamom

Scientific Name: Elettariacardamomum

It is used in preparation of tea to prevent infections in teeth and gums, to prevent and treat throat troubles, congestion of the lungs as well as Flavouring agent.

#### 3. Name: Basil

Scientific Name: Ocimumtenuiflorum

It is used in preparation of tea as Healing Power, Fever & Common Cold, Coughs, Sore Throat, Respiratory Disorder, Mouth Infections, and Headaches.

## 4. Name: Black Pepper

Scientific Name: Piper Nigrum

It is used in preparation of tea to improve digestion, stimulate appetite, and treat gastrointestinal problems, including diarrhoea, dyspepsia and flatulence. It is also used to treat colds, coughs and sore throats.

#### 5. Name: Pudina

Scientific Name: MenthaArvensis

It is used in preparation of tea for treatment of vomiting and nausea. It is also useful for stomach disorders and as antiseptic.

## g) Chemical Composition of various ingredients used in TEA preparation

## 1. TEA (TRIETHANOLAMINE)

## 2. MILK

Milk contains mainly Lactose, Casein and Water

(β-D-galactopyranosyl-(1 $\rightarrow$ 4)- $\alpha$ -D-glucopyranose

## **CASEIN**

## 3. BASIL

Basil (*Ocimumbasilicum*), also known as Saint Joseph's Wort, is a herb belonging to the mint family *Lamiaceae* often used as a seasoning in cooking. Basil is native to India and other tropical areas of Asia.

This MNT Knowledge Center feature is part of a collection of articles about the health benefits of popular foods. It highlights the potential health benefits of consuming basil and provides a nutritional profile for the herb.

The herb is well known for its use in Italian cuisine – it is a major ingredient in pesto sauce. Basil is also commonly used Indonesian, Thai, and Vietnamese cuisine.

According to the *International journal of Agronomy and Plant Production*, the word Basil derives from the Greek word "basileus", which means "king". The Oxford English Dictionary says that basil may have been used as "some royal unguent, bath, or medicine".

In fact, there are quite a number of different beliefs associated with the herb. The French often refer to the herb as *l'herberoyale* (the royal herb), and in Jewish folklore basil is thought to give strength while fasting.

Basil is used in traditional Tamil medicine and in ayurvedic medicine, which is a form of alternative traditional medicine in the Indian subcontinent.

There are different types of basil, which differ in taste and smell. Sweet basil (the most commercially available basil used in Italian food) has a strong clove scent because of its high concentration of the chemical agent eugenol. Whereas lime and lemon basil have a strong citrus scent due to their high concentration of limonene.

## **Health Benefits of Basil**

Research indicates that there are several health benefits associated with basil.

A study by researchers at Purdue University revealed that basil "contains a wide range of essential oils rich in phenolic compounds and a wide array of other natural products including polyphenols such as flavonoids and anthocyanins."

The herb contains high quantities of (E)-beta-caryophyllene (BCP), which may be useful in treating arthritis and inflammatory bowel diseases, according to research conducted at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology.



**Reduce inflammation and swelling -** a study presented at the Royal Pharmaceutical Society's annual event, revealed that "extracts of O. tenuiflorm (Holy basil) were shown to reduce swelling by up to 73%, 24 hours after treatment".

**Anti-aging properties -** according to research presented at the British Pharmaceutical Conference (BPC) in Manchester, basil has properties that can help prevent the harmful

effects of aging. Holy basil extract was effective at killing off harmful molecules and preventing damage caused by some free radicals in the liver, brain and heart.

**Rich in antioxidants** – results of a study published in the *Journal of Advanced Pharmacy Education & Research* showed that ethanol extract *Ocimumbasilicum* had more antioxidant activity than standard antioxidants.

## **Nutritional Profile for Basil**

Basil is rich in vitamin A, vitamin K, vitamin C, magnesium, iron, potassium, and calcium.

## Nutritional value of basil per 100 g (3.5 oz)

Energy - 94 kJ (22 kcal)	Carbohydrates - 2.65 g	
Dietary fiber - 1.6 g	Fat - 0.64 g	
Protein - 3.15 g	Water - 92.06 g	
Vitamin A - 264 μg	Thiamine - 0.034 µg	
Riboflavin - 0.076 mg	Niacin - 0.902 mg	
Vitamin B <sub>6</sub> - 0.155 μg	Folate - 68 μg	
Choline - 11.4 mg	Vitamin C - 18.0 mg	
Vitamin E - 0.80 mg	Vitamin K - 414.8 μg	
Calcium - 177 mg	Iron - 3.17 mg	
Magnesium - 64 mg	Manganese - 1.148 mg	
Phosphorus - 56 mg	Potassium - 295 mg	
Sodium - 4 mg	Zinc - 0.81 mg	

Source: USDA Nutrient Database

## **BLACK PEPPER**



1-[5-(1,3-Benzodioxol-5-yl)-1-oxo-2,4-pentadienyl] piperidine

The health benefits of black pepper include relief from respiratory disorders, coughs, the common cold, constipation, indigestion, anemia, impotency, muscular strains, dental disease, pyorrhea, diarrhea, and heart disease.

Black Pepper is the fruit of the black pepper plant from the *Piperaceae* family and is used as both a spice and a medicine. The chemical piperine, which is present in black pepper, causes the spiciness. It is native to Kerala, the southern state of India. Since ancient times, black pepper is one of the most widely traded spices in the world. It is not considered a seasonal plant and is therefore available throughout the year. When dried, this plant-derived spice is referred to as a peppercorn, and is then ground into a powder to be put on food to add flavour and spice.

Because of its antibacterial properties, pepper is also used to preserve food. It is a rich source of manganese, iron, potassium, vitamin-C, vitamin K, and dietary fiber. Black pepper is also a very good anti-inflammatory agent.

# **Health Benefits of Black Pepper**

The health benefits of black pepper include the following:

#### **Good for the Stomach**

Pepper increases the hydrochloric acid secretion in the stomach, thereby facilitating digestion. Proper digestion is essential to avoid diarrhea, constipation and colic. Pepper also helps to prevent the formation of intestinal gas, and when added to a person's diet, it can promote sweating and urination, which remove toxins from the body. Sweating removes toxins and cleans out the pores of any foreign bodies that may have lodged there, and it can also remove excess water or accumulation, also known as edema. In terms of urination, you can remove uric acid, urea, excess water, and fat, since 4% of urine is made of fat. For digestion, inducing digestion can help you lose weight and increase the overall functioning of your body and prevent various gastrointestinal conditions and colorectal cancer. Its ability to expel gas is because black pepper is a carminative, which forces gas out of the body in a healthy, downward motion, rather than pressing upwards in a dangerous way and straining the upper chest cavity and vital organs. It also inhibits more gas from forming in the body.

#### Weight Loss

The outer layer of peppercorn assists in the breakdown of fat cells. Therefore, peppery foods are a good way to help you shed weight naturally. When fat cells are broken down into their component parts, they are easily processed by the body and applied to other, more healthy processes and enzymatic reactions, rather than simply sitting on your body and making you look overweight.

#### Skin Health

Pepper helps to cure Vitiligo, which is a skin disease that causes some areas of skin to lose its normal pigmentation and turn white. According to researchers in London, the piperine content of pepper can stimulate the skin to produce pigment. Topical treatment of piperine combined with ultra violet light therapy is much better than the other harsher, more chemically-based treatments for vitiligo. It also reduces the chances of skin cancer due to excessive ultraviolet radiation.

## **Respiratory Relief**

In Ayurvedic practices, pepper is added to tonics for colds and coughs. Pepper also provides relief from sinusitis and nasal congestion. It has an expectorant property that helps to break up the mucus and phlegm depositions in the respiratory tract, and its natural irritant quality helps you to expel these loosened material through the act of sneezing or coughing, which eliminates the material from the body and helps you to heal from whatever infection or illness caused the deposition in the first place.

#### **Antibacterial Quality**

The antibacterial property of black pepper helps to fight against infections and insect bites. Pepper added to the diet helps to keep your arteries clean by acting in a similar way to fiber and scraping excess cholesterol from the walls, thereby helping to reduce atherosclerosis, the condition highly responsible for heart attacks and strokes.

#### **Antioxidant Potential**

An antioxidant like pepper can prevent or repair the damage caused by the free radicals and thus help to prevent cancer, cardiovascular diseases and liver problems. Free radicals are the byproducts of cellular metabolism that attack healthy cells and cause their DNA to mutate into cancerous cells. Antioxidants like black pepper neutralize these harmful compounds and protect your system from many conditions, even premature aging symptoms like wrinkles, age spots, macular degeneration, and memory loss.

#### **Enhances Bioavailability**

Black pepper helps in transporting the benefits of other herbs to different parts of body, maximizing the efficiency of the other health foods that we consume. That is why adding it to foods not only makes them taste delicious, but also helps make those nutrients more available and accessible to our system.

#### **Cognitive Impairment and Neurological Health**

Piperine, one of the key components of black pepper, has been shown in numerous studies to reduce memory impairment and cognitive malfunction. Chemical pathways in the brain appear to be stimulated by this organic compound, so early research demonstrates the possibility for pepper to benefit Alzheimer's patients and those that are

suffering from dementia and other age-related or free radical-related malfunctions in cognition.

#### **Peptic Ulcers**

A number of studies have shown that black pepper may have beneficial effects on gastric mucosal damage and peptic ulcers, due to its antioxidant and anti-inflammatory properties. More research is still being done on this aspect of black pepper health effects.

# **Wholistic Development**

## Cognitive Domain

#### **→** Material Science

o Lever

Types of Lever	Fulcrum	Work	Force	Example
First	Middle	One side	Other side	Scissor, Pairs of tong
Second	One side	Middle	Other side	Screw driver,
Third	One side	Other side	Middle	Forceps

- o Lighter: According to Newton's first law in absence of external force body should maintain its motion with constant velocity. But instead of velocity remaining constant it reduces gradually and after travelling some distance body comes to halt. This force which opposes motion of the body is called as force of friction. When a body moves on a surface, keeping contact with the surface, force exerted by the surface on moving body, which opposes motion of the body is called frictional force. A lighter works on the principle of friction.
- Structure of Tea Mug: Upper portion of tea mug is broader than lower portion. Broader portion helps to make tea cold faster because more of surface area is in contact with environment and lower narrow portion keeps the tea hot due to small surface area in contact with environment.
- Structure of double layer Tea Mug: Outer layer of mug is not in contact
  with hot tea so its temperature is normal as environmental temperature,
  inner layer is not directly in contact with environment so it keeps the tea
  hot.
- o *Stove:* Combustion converts fluid energy into heat which helps to prepare food.

- o Shape and Size of Pan: Has utility for utilizing thermal energy and capacity for holding material used for tea preparation. Metal & structure of the Pan matter a lot.
- o Reaction time also depends upon the surface area of sugar crystals.

## Psychomotor Domain

- **⊃** Handling of different materials and apparatus used tea preparation.
- **⊃** Handling of Gas stove, lighter, and match sticks.
- **Pouring tea from pan to pot.**
- **⊃** Cleanliness of platform before, during and after preparation of tea.
- → Handling of hot pan with cloth or pan having Insulated handle, wooden handle.

#### ■ Health and Environment

- **⊃** Utility of tea for human beings.
- **⊃** Utility of used tea leaves for plants.
- **⇒** Milk is a wholesome meal.
- Over extraction of tea is harmful for health.

#### Affective Domain

- **⊃** Tea preparation as a whole requires the wholistic faculty of a person and results into the wholistic development of persons.
- **⊃** A sip of tea relieves the persons of fatigue and tension, howsoever, momentary.
- **⊃** Tea symbolises togetherness of the unique characteristics of various ingredients.
- → Tea symbolizes interrelation and cooperation of various agents, namely, tea gardener and workers, tea factory labourers, fuel sources and resources, and various Tea ingredients.

## Spiritual Domain

⇒ Prepared tea is an integrated whole of many a ingredients, contributing their substance, flavour and essence with full immersion, where ingredients, their substance, essence, flavour, and fragrance all together become one.

# **Concluding Remark**

Science as a discipline can significantly contribute towards the development of universal beings. Though atomistic, the ultimate aim of science education is to have a comprehensive knowledge base of the entire universe so as to facilitate healthy, happy, full and meaningful life in resonance with all. We need to explore the genesis and constitution of every phenomenon scientifically. Teaching of Science, rather than being fragmented, ought to be wholistic for the casting of balanced personality.

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