

Tamso Ma Jyothirgamaya (Lead us from Darkness to Light)

For about 3,000 to 4,000 years the Lantern (**Wick Powered**) ruled the roost. The Renewable Powered Wick Lantern was almost forgotten and the **deadly Kerosene replaced** the Renewable Fuel of the Wick Lantern. The Cash / Commercial crop mania effectively put to sleep the Wick Lanterns, as Conventional Fuel for Wick Powered lantern became scarce and expensive and hence unaffordable.

Edison with his invention brought some drastic changes and about **60% of the world's population are better off**. Of course the "Affordable Ones" and "Privileged" lot are enjoying the immense benefit which has come **via the Fossil Route(Coal,Crude)**

What about the remaining **FORTY Percent???**. The Poorest of the Poor are literally and figuratively **"Power" Less, Light Less and in Darkness**

God said let there be Light and we have the Sun and Prakurithi supplied the rest so selflessly by using the Solar Energy to make Trees and Fossil Fuel for mankind. And the Root of all Fossil Fuels is Trees...well Mostly...there may be some organic matter also.. but Trees are the pre cursor to Fossil Fuels.

We have systematically destroyed those trees which give us Clean Air and Fuel. Now we are neither here nor there for our Energy Needs and the Population will **touch 8 Billion by 2020**

How does one meet the aspiration of the 40% and Bring * Light* into their Life? The Solar Lantern is one simple Solution.

India is the Land of Ramanujam, Aryabhatta, M K Gandhi (**Incidentally this note is in memory of that Selfless Social Karma Yogi**) There are Brilliant Innovators. We only need to Open the Tap, to make these people are In Sync with the needs of the society. But they have gone commercial. Only NGOs, Philanthropists & Corporates with Commitment to the Community must bring such innovations to the benefit of the deserving needy public and fulfill the dream of the Father of the Nation, for India:

"An India in which the poorest shall feel that it is their country in whose making they have an effective voice; an India in which there shall be no high class and low class of people; an India in which all communities shall live in perfect harmony, in such an India, there will be no place for the bane of untouchability and drinking. Both men and women shall have equal right. No one will exploit anyone nor will anyone be exploited"—Mahatma Gandhi

One should be able to turn around literally and economically the plight of the poorest of the Poor, by Solar powered LED lamp, with community charging.

With a Cost of Less than Rs 250/-for a Solar powered LED lamp (Less than what the average Politician gives for Liquor at the election Time per head, be it Corporater /MLA/MP) and with a huge savings to the National Treasury, we the Citizens and Corporate India can Change the quality of Life. Over 10,000 deaths can be prevented from the hazards of Kerosene Fires every year and Many Bright Budding Children will have a “De Lighted” future.

Please send e-mail to ecm_hyd@yahoo.co.in giving your feed back and for additional information. Energy Conservation Mission is a Non-Profit body of the Institution of Engineers (India) A.P. State Center and will be more than happy to share knowledge for further propagation of Renewable Sources including Solar Energy
