NEED FOR NIRMAN:

BURNING SOCIAL, DEVELOPMENTAL & SCIENTIFIC PROBLEMS

Community Level:

- Abject Poverty
- Starvation
- Malnutrition
- Infant Mortality
- Water Scarcity
- Fuel, Fodder and Energy Scarcity
- Shelter Scarcity
- Extremely Unhygienic and Thickly Populated Habitats
- Air, Water and Soil Pollution
- Infectious Diseases
- Poor Access to Sanitation and Primary Healthcare Facilities
- Poor Access to Veterinary Facilities
- Illiteracy
- Poor Access to Quality Education and Vocational Education
- Poor Access to Actionable Knowledge Resources and Expertise
- Lack of Priority for Research on the Problems of Communities
- Lack of Priority for Development of Appropriate Technologies
- Disconnect of Scientists and Technologists with Communities
- Poor Access to Means of Communication and Transportation
- Poor Access to Financial Credits and Markets
- Landlessness or Unviably Small Land Holdings
- Declining Farm Productivity, Profitability and Sustainability
- Lack of Livelihood Opportunities Complementary to Agriculture
- Famines, Floods, Mega-Projects, SEZs, ...
- Displacements and Forced Migration
- Unemployment / Un-employability

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• Inequality of Opportunities
• Extreme Uncertainties
• Intellectual Loneliness in Villages
• Frustration among the Rural Youth
• Suicides of Farmers
• Addiction
• Exploitation of Women and Children
• Disharmony, Social Divide
• Religious / Communal Unrest, Riots and Violence in Communities
• Insecurity

• Lack of Participative Democracy
• Lack of Good Governance / Self-Governance
• Widespread Corruption
• Slow, Costly and Complicated Judicial Processes

• Lack of Visionary and Trustworthy Leadership
• Lack of Change Makers for Social Transformation
• Lack of Unity for Community Development
• Lack of Drive for Collective Action against Injustice

• Shrinking Coverage in Media
• Marginal Coverage in Art – Literature, Theatre, Film, ...
• Lack of Freedom and Social Environment for Creative Pursuits, New Enterprises and Innovations
• Threat to Self-esteem

**Global Level:**

• Extreme Disparities in HDI and Attainment of MDGs
• Population Explosion
• Extreme Competition and Contention for Resources

• Erosion and Devastation of Natural Capital
• Declining Biodiversity
• Declining Life in Oceans
• Spread of Deserts

• Extreme Consumerism and Market Dominance
• Widespread Migrations
• Environmentally unsustainable Life-style of the Developed World
• Extreme Dependence on and Demand of Fossil Fuel
• Global Warming and Irreversible Climate Change

• Declining Tolerance and Growing Violence
• Fundamentalism, Extremism and Terrorism
• Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Weapons of Mass Destruction