

THE LIGHT ELEMENTS

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Always India

**Saffron, white and green,
What does it, to you, mean?
You must be proud,
Shout out aloud,
Ye Indians arise,
Let's reach for the skies
All you gals and guys!**

*There will always be an India,
While there are village lanes,
Wherever there are grazing deer
Or noisy, jam-packed trains!*

*There will always be an India,
While there's a crowded street;
Wherever there's a saint and seer
Or dirt and dust and heat!*

*We shall, ere long, have an India,
Where all can read and write;
Let's vow to lead them, now and here,
From darkness into light!*

*Let's look forward to an India,
Where drunkenness is past;
Gulp down your fruit-juice, not your beer
To break your morning fast!*

*Very soon, we'll have an India,
Where the people are well fed;
Bidding goodbye to yesteryear:
With none hungry to bed!*

*There will, one day, be an India,
Where disease is abolished, and,
right from the womb to the bier,
its nationals well nourished!*

*One day, we shall have an India,
Which is aglow with health,
Where no one has any idea
Of an untimely death!*

*There will always be an India,
Her people well clad and shod;
In all their doings, most sincere
Protect them all, dear God!*

*There will always be an India,
Where oppression is dead;
Where the people laugh, from ear to ear,
With a roof above their head!*

*Before long, we'll have an India,
Where unemployment's gone;
With factories working in top gear,
And fields bursting with corn!*

*We'll, very soon have an India,
Where discipline pervades;
There's something in the atmosphere,
So that lawlessness fades!*

*There will, one day, be an India,
Where lawbreaking's outlawed;
No doubt, it does sound very queer,
So, help us all, oh Lord!*

*There will always be an India,
Democratic to the core;
Of tolerance the pioneer
And for all, an open door!*

*At all times, we'll have an India,
Secular in each pore,
Outshouting the communal jeer
With an almighty roar!*

*There will always be an India,
And India shall succeed;
With people, hailing from front and rear,
Of every caste and creed!*

*There will always be an India,
United we'll remain;
All communities will cohere
To seek their common gain!*

*There will always be an India,
And harmony subsist;
No one can, at all, engineer
A conflict in its midst!*

*There will always be an India,
Where amity shall reign;
Whether you are a mountaineer
Or living in the plain!*

*There will always be, in India,
A pluralist structure,
From Kanyakumari to Kashmir
A well-blended culture!*

*There will always be, in India,
Different ethnic groups composed,
Ever ready to Volunteer
To Share Each other's woes!*

*There will always be an India,
Cosmopolitan in mould;
But, all throughout, you'll overhear:
"We're one in the national goal!"*

*There will always be an India,
Non-violent we shall stay;
A quality we will revere
Along life's crowded way!*

*May there, one day, be an India,
With poverty banished,
Where life has ceased, to be severe,
And destitution vanished!*

*There will always be an India,
And India shall progress,
If we resolve, this very year,
To ban all strife and stress!*

*There will always be an India,
And India shall flourish;
With peace and plenty, far and near,
As much as you can wish!*

*We shall shortly have an India,
Sweet-smelling as a rose;
That scene will, very often, appear,
Where milk and honey flows!*

*There will, one day, be an India,
Where hard work is the norm;
We'll show the whole world that we are
A people that can perform!*

*There will always be an India,
Where good faith counts a lot;
In work, you can't be insincere
But give it all you've got!*

*There shall, ere long, be an India,
With waste down to zero;
Where he, who leads the life austere,
Is the nation's real hero!*

*There will one day, be an India,
Where dues are paid on time;
No sum remaining in arrear
Right to the smallest dime!*

*Ere long, we shall have an India,
Where corruption's absent,
Where payments made are not 2-tier
And everything upfront!*

*There will always be an India,
Where charters we have signed
That, to principles, we shall adhere
To benefit mankind!*

*There will always be an India,
Where truth shall hold its sway,
A land where you'll constantly hear:
"Satyam eve jayate"!*

*There will always be an India,
With honesty at heart,
And nothing causing it to veer
From the straight and narrow path!*

*There will always be an India,
Its integrity unstained;
Our honour we shall ne'er besmear,
But keep it well sustained!*

*There will always be an India,
Its people, so simple and kind;
No sophisticated veneer
And with no axe to grind!*

*There will always be an India,
Hospitably inclined;
E'en the poorest keen to feed ya
Though they themselves haven't dined!*

*There will always be, in India,
People generous to a fault,
Who, like Santa Claus's reindeer,
Give gifts at every halt!*

*There will always be an India,
With goodwill everywhere;
No mud, another's face to smear
Just genuine, heartfelt care!*

*There will always be an India,
Where joyousness you'll find;
Where misery is just a mere
Invention of the mind!*

*There will always be an India,
Where merriment abounds;
Where the people couldn't be happier
And smiles outnumber frowns!*

*There will always be an India,
Where human rights rank high,
Where none may treat them with a sneer:
All must, with them, comply!*

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