Pandit Ramabai : Widowhood

Summary of Widowhood

"Widowhood" of Ramabai is based on the reality faced by Ramabai after the death of her husband just within two years of marriage. Though it was one of the most painful yet transformative experiences of her life.

In 19th century India, widowhood was a harsh curse to the female suffering with this title.

Ramabai, a brahmin lady who married a man from a lower caste challenging the rigid cruel caste system of 19th century Indian society. Unfortunately, her married life was very short as her husband Bipin died of cholera, leaving a newly born baby girl out of that marriage.

Ramabai's widowhood exposed the harsh realities and social cruelty faced by widows in India. Widows were treated as a burden on society, denied respect, education and ~~education~~ independence being forced to live lives of extreme austerity and social isolation. Ramabai was also couldn't secure her life from the torture of societial cruel norms; though she tried her best to dare to speak and write against this injustice as she began speaking and writing very boldly against Child marriage, the unjust treatment of widows, and the denial of education to women.

Thus, Ramabai's widowhood became a turning point in her life as it shaped her into a powerful social reformer and a strong voice for women's right, making her one of the most influential figures in the history of women's empowerment in India.