

# My vision for 2030

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5 years. A lot can happen in 5 years, like a batch of students graduating, powerful empires being torn apart or the complete destruction of the Earth—among many events. Obviously, it's not easy to envision the future, no matter the period being 1 or 50 years. Barely anyone living in 2019 could've predicted the struggle of COVID-19, including me! Still, I have some things in mind, along with hopes I hold for 2030.

I'd like to bring attention to something already happening—the shift in global power. With the second Trump administration in power, Americans are witnessing a steady fall of their beloved nation, the loss of the very things the USA holds dear—freedom and democracy, as they fall into totalitarianism. The many crises the European nations are going through is a different cup of tea entirely. This makes me foretell that in 2030, the West will have lost much of their power, as it will fall towards the Asian and African countries. India will hold considerable influence in the global dynamic—and I also hope our country will slowly become the social hub for people of all ethnicities, nationalities and faiths. One of my dreams has been to live in a country where barriers like caste, class, gender or ethnicity don't exist, and I can mingle with people of all kinds. One of India's core qualities is unity in diversity, so my dream can likely become true! Currently, I see China becoming the new superpower, but if Indian leaders stop dilly-dallying in useless political power-play and focus on bringing our potential to reality, we will soar above the rest.

A big possibility I see is advancements in solar technology. Soon enough, electric cars will become the norm. However, to produce electricity a large amount of coal has to be burnt, which will hinder our aspiration of a sustainable future. Hence solar energy will become a subject of heavy research and prospects. The sun holds near infinite energy, and unlocking its power will mean an astronomical increase in the energy stores of the world. Solar power will help tremendously cut down on pollution—allowing us to reach our goal of cleaner air and zero emissions.

On the topic of technology, Artificial Intelligence will be embedded into our lives. AI will be regulated heavily, making our lives easier but will negatively affect us if not handled properly. The rise of smart cities will be a common phenomenon, as the implementation of technology will shape our cities to become well-adjusted for every individual.

I see the environment of the world getting cleaner, as the newer generations like mine start to run the world—the same generations rigorously educated on environmental awareness. We will witness a large-scale movement on masculinity—since the definition of what it means to be a man is as old as the stone ages presently, while the definition of what it means to be a woman has evolved and progressed. Men and boys will grow as people, as they will learn to appreciate and value themselves and other people without having to put others down. We will be closer to gender equality and acceptance towards LGBTQIA+ individuals than we've ever been and will begin abandoning the concept of gender roles.

Of course, terrible things might happen. I can't predict that, but one truth about life which I've often been told is that when problems escalate, people often go back to the way things used to be. This causes events to happen in a circle. After all, life is about creation and evolution, making everything go round and round, in an eternal circle.

We can't realise our ideal world if we don't work towards creating it, so it's best that we all work together, and work hard to bring forth the world which we want to live in. Remember, you have the ultimate power, even if it seems otherwise—and the world is our canvas. How we use our power will forge the world we live in.

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