

## WHOLESOME STYLE OF LEADERSHIP SKILL: SYNERGY

"I no longer listen to what people say, I just watch what they do. Behavior never lies." Winston Churchill

"The positive thinker sees the invisible, feels the intangible, and achieves the impossible." Winston Churchill

## **DEFINITION:**

Synergy is the coming together of mutual efforts, senses and ideas to create a result far greater than the sum of its parts for the benefit of all.

Most of us have experienced this far more often than we realize when we sense the magic and mystery of being a participant in something far bigger than ourselves.

Martin Luther King Jr. has referred to it as a sense of 'cosmic companionship,' which often arises out of great complexity and chaos.

When facing complexity and chaos, we tend to exert control. The more complex things are, the more control we exert, because we feel the need to establish security. Sometimes, however, the more we exert control towards security, the less secure we actually are.

Complex situations are complex because they create division and duality. When division and duality are present, people act out of a great urge to speak and an even greater resistance to hear and attune to the underlying thread, the synergy.

Synergy is the felt-sense that results from being, rather than thinking; from the spontaneous simplification that carves the essential from many layers of information; from intense observation, interconnectedness and absorption until a resolution jumps out.

## **BENEFITS:**

- 1. Promotes unity, harmony, peace and interconnectedness.
- 2. Provides shared vision, mission and values.
- 3. Offers opportunity for acceptance, neutrality, cooperation and understanding.
- 4. Recognizes the big picture, the underlying thread.
- 5. Enhances communion and communication.
- 6. Promotes holistic-thinking approaches.
- 7. Develops sustainability, endurance and longevity.