

Poverty as a challenge

Q4. Discuss the major reasons for poverty in India.

→ Major reasons for poverty in India:

- * Fast population growth among the poor: The rapid growth of population, particularly among the poor, is considered one of the ~~poor~~ major causes behind Indian poverty. Poor people are ~~illiterate~~ illiterate & have traditional outlook.
- * Low rate of economic development: The actual rate of growth in India has always been below the required level. It has been around 4 per cent since 1951. This has resulted in less job in less job opportunities. This was accompanied by a high growth rate of population.
- * Unemployment: Another important factor that can be held ~~responsible~~ responsible for the incidence of high-poverty in India is the high degree of unemployment.

Q5. Identify the social and economic groups which are most vulnerable to poverty.

→ Social groups vulnerable to poverty:

(i) Scheduled caste households

(ii) Scheduled tribe households.

Economic groups vulnerable to poverty:

(i) Rural agricultural labour households.

(ii) Urban ~~caste~~ casual labour households.

Q7. Describe global poverty trends.

→ The proportion of people in developing countries living in people poverty has declined, from 28 percent in 1990 to 21 per cent in 2001. Although there has been a substantial reduction in global poverty, there are great regional differences visible. Poverty has substantially fallen in china & south-east Asian countries.

Q8. Describe the current government strategy of poverty alleviation.

→ The current government strategy towards poverty ~~alter~~ alleviation has broadly been two-dimensional:

* Promotion of economic growth

* Anti-poverty programmes.

1) Economic growth: To fight against poverty our government laid ~~emp~~ emphasis on promotion of economic growth. This strategy is based on the belief that the benefits of ~~econ~~ economic growth would automatically 'trickle down down' to the poor people in form of more employment & more income.

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Q9. Answer the following questions briefly

i) what do you understand by human poverty?

→ human poverty is a wider concept than poverty. It refers to the lack of human

development

10) Who are the poorest of the poor?

→ people from poor families like old people, women and female infants.