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Exercise

- 3) Describe poverty trends in India since 1973.
- As per the data, there has been a substantial decline in poverty ratios in India from 45% in 1993-94 to 37.2% in 2004-05.
- There was a further decline in ~~poverty ratios~~ to 22% in 2011-12.
- Although the no. of poor people declined from 1973 to 1993, there was a significant reduction in the no. of the poor (407 million) in 2004-05 & a further 270 million in 2011-12 with an avg. annual decline of 2.2%. It may also be noted that poverty ratios remained higher in rural areas as compared to urban areas.
- If the present trend continues, the people below the poverty line may come down to less than 20% in the next few years.

b) Give an account of inter-state disparities of poverty in India.

Ans → Poverty level shows wide variations in diff. states of India.

→ Poverty is still a serious problem in Bihar, Odisha, Assam, Tripura & Uttar Pradesh.

→ There has been a significant decline in poverty in Kerala, Jammu & Kashmir, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, & Gujarat & West Bengal.

→ Punjab & Haryana have reduced poverty by agricultural growth rates.

→ In Tamil Nadu & Andhra Pradesh have reduced poverty by Public Distribution System.

→ In West Bengal the decline in poverty is associated by the land reforms.

→ Training & development of human resources & good quality of education has reduced poverty in Kerala.