

Q) Describe the features of Stalin's Collectivisation Programme?

Ans) → Stalin who headed the party after the death of Lenin, introduced firm energy measures. He believed that rich peasants & traders in the countryside were holding stocks in the hope of higher prices.

→ In 1928, Party members toured the grain-producing areas, supervising enforced grain collections & raiding kulaks.

→ Stalin introduced the collectivisation programme where the bulk of land & implements were transferred to the ownership of collective farms.

→ Peasants worked on the land & Kolkhoz profit was shared.

→ If any one opposed to the collectivisation then he/she was severely punished, many were deported & exiled.

→ In spite of collectivisation, production didn't increase immediately. In fact

due to the bad harvest there was a shortage of food, which led to one devastating famine where over 4 million people died.

→ Hence this collectivisation programme of Stalin was a <sup>2</sup> failure.