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Exercise Q. - 1 & 2

1) Describe how the poverty line is estimated in India?

ans The poverty line is estimated based on consumption levels in India. A person has basic needs which ~~with~~ include minimum level of food, clothing, medical needs etc. These minimum consumptions are then calculated in rupees and total become the minimum income required to fulfil basic needs.

2) Do you think that present methodology of poverty estimation is appropriate?

ans The present methodology is not appropriate. It calculates

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the minimum subsistence level of living. It does not take into calculation whether the person has a reasonable or decent life with access to education, home etc.

The cost of basic needs also varies among places so a common poverty line cannot be appropriate.