

Social Development: - Economy & Planning

The urgency of development has led many to a declaration of war on poverty, ignorance & oppression. Pre-requisite of social development is peace on the world scene. The struggle for survival has been variously described as a struggle between haves and have-nots.

First efforts of United Nations to promote development were along economic lines. As the ultimate purpose of development is to provide increasing opportunities to all people for better life, it is essential to bring about a more equitable distribution of income & wealth for promoting both social justice & efficiency of production. Qualitative & structural changes in society must go hand in hand with rapid economic growth & existing disparities - Regional & Social should be substantially reduced.

Social development refers to the process of planned institutional changes to bring about better correspondence between human needs & social policies and programmes on other side. The social component of development came in clearer focus with the advocacy of 'Balanced Social & Economic Development'. An integrated approach demands that any strategic design for development, whether National or International has to cover the social & economic elements of it is to be effective.

Social development is very intensely related to economic development & planning of resources. Sustainability of development depends upon Population Control, Natural Resource Management, Innovative Technology, Skills, Technological efforts & Institution, Basic Infrastructure & Integration of regions on social basis. Sustainability of Growth & Equal Distribution of Resources among population can lead to the social development of society as a whole.

India is making rapid progress in both social & economic field. We need to create a balance on both fronts so that we can become a developed nation in the coming decade or so. I am hopeful that by sustainable economic and social development we can achieve that status in a short span of time.

In the end, congratulations to all college staff & students on the occasion of silver jubilee celebration.

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