

CLASS:--11TH, POLITICAL SCIENCE, CHAPTER:- 10

Question 1.

What are the alternative concepts of development?

Answer:

- Unequal distribution of costs and benefits of development on the huge costs of human and environment.
- The 'top-down' strategy adopted by countries decide the development projects and implementation of development by the higher level of political leadership and bureaucracy.
- The peoples who are normally affected by the development projects are hardly consulted.
- Even people's experience and knowledge are also not taken into account along with their interests.

Question 2.

What are the characteristics of development?

Answer:

- Development is a dynamic concept involving ever changing and ever evolving nature to be needed with some improvement.
- Development is a multidimensional concept not only limited to economic spheres, but to political and social spheres also.
- Development implies growth where all societies keep growing in the process of ever change and ever evolution.
- Development is closely related to technology to make society and a nation more advanced.
- Development provides a rational and reason bound society in place of traditionally or religiously bound society.
- Development refers a sustainable growth to grow a country in peaceful and harmonious way.

Question 3.

'The process of development also have an affect on life style of people'. Justify.

Answer:

- Development should not be considered in reference of materialistic approach only but in terms happiness, harmony and satisfaction of essential requirements also.
- Efforts should be made to conserve natural resources to use renewable sources of energy up to possible extent.

Question 4.

Discuss some of the social and ecological costs of the kind of development

which has been pursued in most countries.

Answer 1.

Social costs of development:

- Displacement resulted in the loss of livelihood and increased impoverishment.
- Many peoples have been displaced from their homes and localities due to urbanization and industrialization, etc.
- If rural agricultural communities are displaced to end up at the margins of society.
- It results in a loss of culture due to loss of community life because traditional skills acquired over a long period, are also lost.
- Displacement has led to struggles in many countries like India is Narmada Bachao Andolan against Sardar Sarovar Dam on the river Narmada.
- The supporters of this dam claimed to generate electricity, irrigate large areas of land and to provide drinking water to the desert areas of Kutch and Saurashtra whereas the opponents of the dam claim to lose the land through construction by almost one million people.

Ecological costs of development:

- Environmental degradation took place, i.e. Tsunami created damage to a greater extent on South and South East Asia coasts in 2005.
- Global warming is also taking place due to emissions of greenhouse gases into the environment, i.e. ice-melting in Arctic and Antarctic regions has the potential to cause floods and submerge low lying areas like Bangladesh and Maldives.
- The ecological crisis will adversely affect us, i.e. air pollution.
- Deforestation also affect the forest resources, i.e. medical herbs, firewood or timber, etc.

Question 5.

What are some of the new claims for rights which the process of development has generated?

Answer.

- In reality, the benefits of development have been concerned by powerful and costs of development have been borne by the poorest and vulnerable section due to ecological degradation, displacement and lost of livelihood.
- Another claim is to have a right to be consulted in decision directly which affect the lives of the people.
- The people can claim if an activity or law sanctioned by the government threatens the lives of the people.
- The claim can be used to have a right to use natural resources by various communities and tribes, etc.

- **The claim to belong to natural resources, i.e. local community or common resource of whole humanity.**
- **Democracies focus to achieve a balance between the claims of present and future.**