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Marginalization

Question 1

You are participating in a debate where you have to provide reasons to support the following statement: 'Muslims are a marginalized community'. Using the data provided in this chapter, list two reasons that you would give.

Solution:

The literacy rate of the Muslim population in India is the lowest. It is only 59%.

43.2% of Hindus have access to electricity while only 30% of Muslims have access to electricity. The above statistics support the statement that Muslims are a marginalised community in India.

Muslims are less educated. They have very little share in government jobs.

Question 2

Imagine that you are watching the Republic Day parade on TV with a friend and she remarks, "Look at these tribals. They look so exotic. And they seem to be dancing all the time". List three things that you would tell her about the lives of Adivasis in India.

Solution:

Adivasis had a deep knowledge of the forests. They were traditionally hunter-gatherers and nomads and lived by shifting agriculture and

also cultivating in one place. This knowledge of forests made the Adivasis indispensable to the Rulers of the various Empires in India during the pre-colonial days.

Adivasis have their own languages which may be as old as Sanskrit. The Adivasi language has influenced the formation of Indian languages, like Bengali.

Question 3

Would you agree with the statement that economic and social marginalisation are interlinked? Why?

Solution:

Yes, economic and social marginalization is interlinked.

1. Dalits and tribals were considered a lower class of society.
 - They are living in separate areas of villages. Tribals are living in remote areas.
 - They were not getting a proper education, so not good jobs.
2. When they do not get opportunities they remain economically weak and do not get an education and this circle continues.

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