

Q.2. Write a précis of the following passage and suggest a suitable title.

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One of the most ominous and discreditable symptoms of the want of candour in present-day sociology is the deliberate neglect of the population question. It is, or should be, transparently clear that, if the state is resolved, on humanitarian grounds, to inhibit the operation of natural selection, some rational regulation of population, both as regards quality and quantity, is imperatively necessary. There is no self-acting adjustment, apart from starvation, of numbers to the means of subsistence. If all natural checks are removed, a population in advance of the optimum number will be produced and maintained at the cost of a reduction in the standard of living. When this pressure begins to be felt, that section of the population which is capable of reflection and which has a standard of living which may be lost will voluntarily restrict its numbers, even to the point of failing to replace death by an equivalent number of new births; while the underworld, which always exists in every civilized society _____ The failure and misfits and derelicts, moral and physical _____ will exercise no restraint and will be a constantly increasing drain upon the national resources. The population will thus be recruited in a very undue proportion by those strata of society which do not possess the qualities of useful citizens.

The importance of the problem would seem to be sufficiently obvious. But politicians know that the subject is unpopular. The urban have no votes. Employers are like a surplus of labour, which can be drawn upon when trade is good. Militarists want as much food for powder as they can get. Revolutionists instinctively oppose any real remedy for social evils; they know that every unwanted child is a potential insurgent. All three can appeal to a Quasi-Religious prejudice, resting apparently on the ancient theory of natural rights which were supposed to include the right of unlimited procreation. This objection is now chiefly urged by celibate or childless priests; but it is held with such fanatical vehemence that the fear of losing the votes which they control is a welcome excuse for the baser sort of politicians to shelve the subject as inopportune. The socialist calculation is probably erroneous; for experience has shown that it is aspiration, not desperation, that makes revolutions.

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Rewrite the sentence.
Title :- Overpopulation: A neglected threat

Precis :-

~~The~~ ~~causation~~ is caused due to neglect of over-population.

Some rational regulations of population is used to resolve the

state. ~~The~~ overpopulation is caused if checks are removed which lead to low standard life. Some classes of society will control population even they have to equal the birth and death rate. Whereas

underworld ^{pays} no attention to overpopulation ^{until} until they face drain in natural resources. ~~Overpopulation~~

Overpopulation will lead to minimum useful citizens. ~~The~~ ^{Politicians do not consider overpopulation a problem.} ~~politicians~~ ^{consider} overpopulation, ~~no~~ ^{no} problem as urban

has no vote. ~~The~~ employees, militarist and revolutionist have their own objectives.

and they appeal for quasi-religious prejudice. This is urged by priest but

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politicians will secure their vote.

Structure needs improvement.

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