

Poverty is the worst form of violence

OUTLINE :-

1) Introduction

Thesis Statement:

Poverty is indeed the greatest burden for mankind. It is the evil from which all other kinds of social, political, economic, racial-ethnic and gender disparities emerge thus leading to chaos and violence within the mankind. This ultimately prevents people from leading good lives and attaining the full potential.

2) Poverty lies at the heart of every clash and conflict.

3) Poverty urges man to become a rebel.

Reference :- Merton's Theory of Strain

4) Poverty creates social discontent

Reference :- Theory of Marx

5) Poverty creates political strife

a) Generates a class of political "Haves" and "Haves not"

- b) Poverty-stricken mass do not stand to gain much from democracy
 - c) Poor masses fall prey to autocratic regimes
 - d) The nexus of the rich and the powerful **exploit the poor**
- 6) Poverty and the economic violence
- a) Poverty is built into the world system

Reference :- Wallerstein's World System Theory

- b) Explorations of Capitalist System **by**
- 7) Poverty exacerbates racial-ethnic violence

- a) Racial-ethnic minorities have limited access to social, economic and legal facilities

Case in Point :- Plight of Ethnic minorities after Hurricane Katrina

- 8) Poverty reinforces gender discrimination

Reference :- Dependency Theory

- 9) Ways to reduce poverty:

- a) Equitable resource distribution
- b) Uplifting the poor via progressive taxation
- c) Welfare of racial-ethnic minorities
- d) Gender inclusive policies

10) Conclusion

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