

English Precise - 2012

Q2. Precis

The Neglected Population Crisis

Avoiding the population question reflects objection to honesty in modern-day sociology. Managing the quality and quantity of population is essential for society's welfare. Population does not self-regulate itself. Without checks the desired number would exceed as the quality of life will decline. The educated fraction may voluntarily limit births to protect their quality of life, but the less advantaged will continue to grow. This would place a burden on resources and degrade societal quality. Politicians avoid addressing this unpopular issue due to self-interest. The employers favour surplus labour, militarists seek large force, and religious opposition hinders family

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planning. Shelving the population problem is preferred by politicians reliant on votes, but the need for regulation to sustain social well-being remains urgent.

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