

Q NO: 01

Is this poverty the real cause of over population or it is the population pressure that is responsible for increasing poverty? Substantiate your argument by quoting relevant facts and figures.

Thesis statement: Poverty and population explosion are the same side of same coin. Both have far-reaching implication on the status quo of society, posing a significant threats for the sustainability of existing world order.

(1)

Introduction: Shading view on the concept of poverty and population pressure:

In the contemporary era, rise in population

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and poverty has sparked a debate whether the poverty is responsible for the unsustainable growth of population or it is population that elevates poverty. To explore this emerging debate it is significant to understand that both concepts are interwinded, potentially both are responsible for increasing social, cultural and political inequalities in modern world societies. Ultimately, the anthropologists have voiced concerns that rise in poverty and population explosion posing a significant threat for existing world order. The words of **Nelson Mandela** affirm here perfectly,

**"Social inequality is
a significant threat
for democracy and peace."**

Hence, an anthropologist approach is required to lessen the gap of poverty and lessen the number of people in the world.

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(2)

Analyzing the core fundamentals
whether both poverty and
population pressure are
interwinded?

Indeed, both concepts are interwinded,
and posing a systematic threat for the
world stability.

(a)

Understanding the key
idea that how poverty
results in population
pressure?

In the contemporary era, there are certain
portion of the world where indigenous
tribes believe that poverty can be
tackled by having more family members.

Example: Pakistan

Some geographic areas in Pakistan, especially
Balochistan, Sindh, and KPK; People believe

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that they can defeat poverty via population. This mentality has not only risen the population of Pakistan, but also risen poverty gap among these areas. As per the World Bank report 2024,

"34%^{people} in Pakistan are living under poverty line".

Another report published by UNICEF (2023),

"62% Women in Balochistan didn't acquire basic facilities, while giving birth to child".

Similarly, another report published by World Bank suggests that.

"23 Million children are out of school in Pakistan".

These reports suggest that the greed of more income lead to population pressure.

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As a result, the poverty becomes further challenge and those who already exists in the society didnot enjoy the basic necessities of life.

(b)

Understanding the nuts
and bolts that how
population pressure results
in poverty.

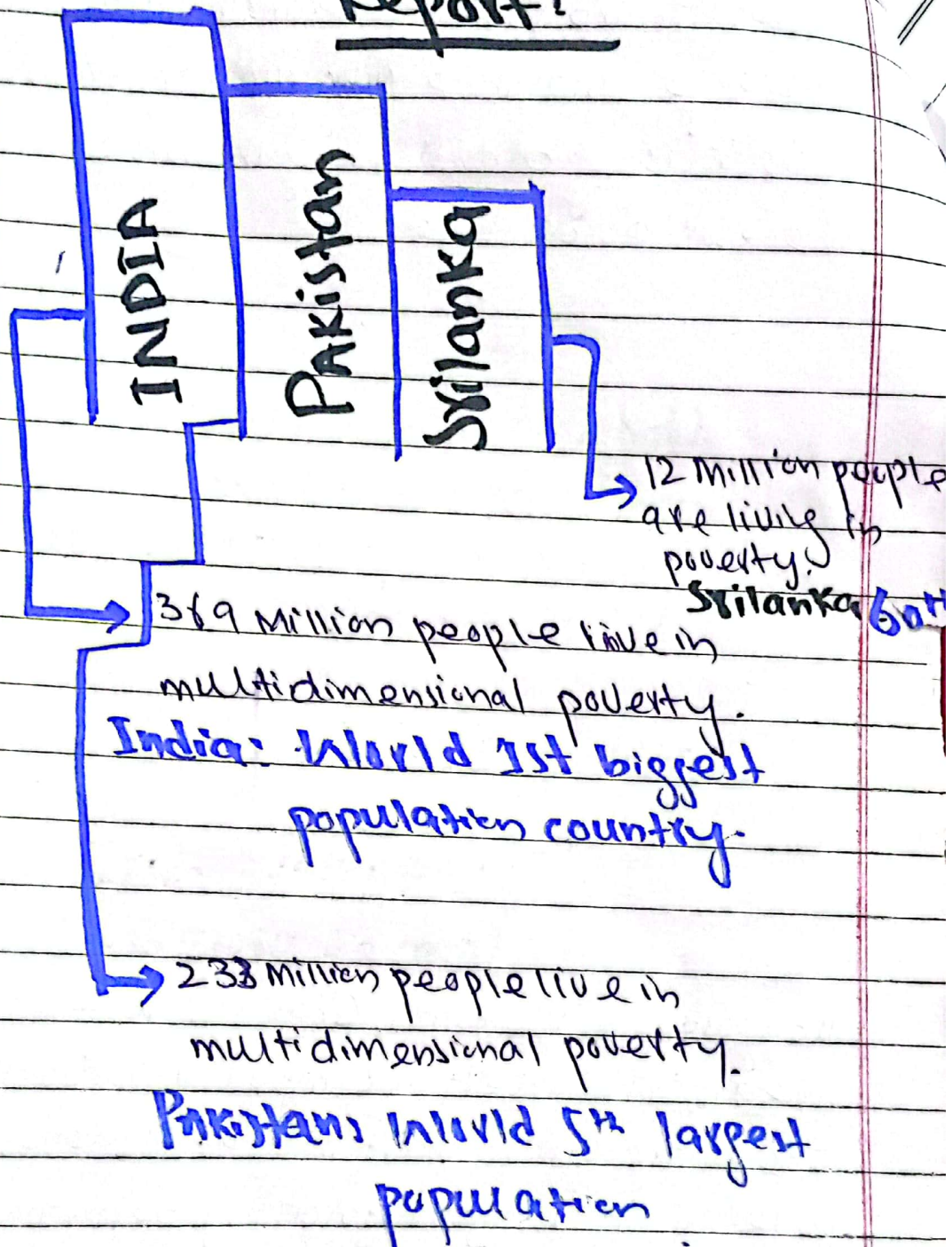
Mahatma Gandhi said,

"Poverty is the worst
form of violence"

The words of Mahatma Gandhi do not mean that poverty compel an individual to declare war against state. However, poverty ~~rigorously~~ rigorously perpetuates to the cycle of dependency, resulting in a violence of marginalization.

To understand this concept, it is important to understand how population explosion results in poverty and results in violence.

Date: Human Development Index
Report!



(c)
Conclusion drawn by
the above data:

The above data suggests that population

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can also create pressure, resulting in poverty.

(d)

Comparative Analysis of Global North and Global South in terms of Population and Poverty.

It is clear that developing nations have been facing the problem of both increasing poverty and population. Now, if we discuss about the status of Global North, it becomes clear that less population results in less poverty.

**For Example
Norway, Sweden**

These countries provide all basic facilities within low cost, resulting in economic, cultural, social growth.

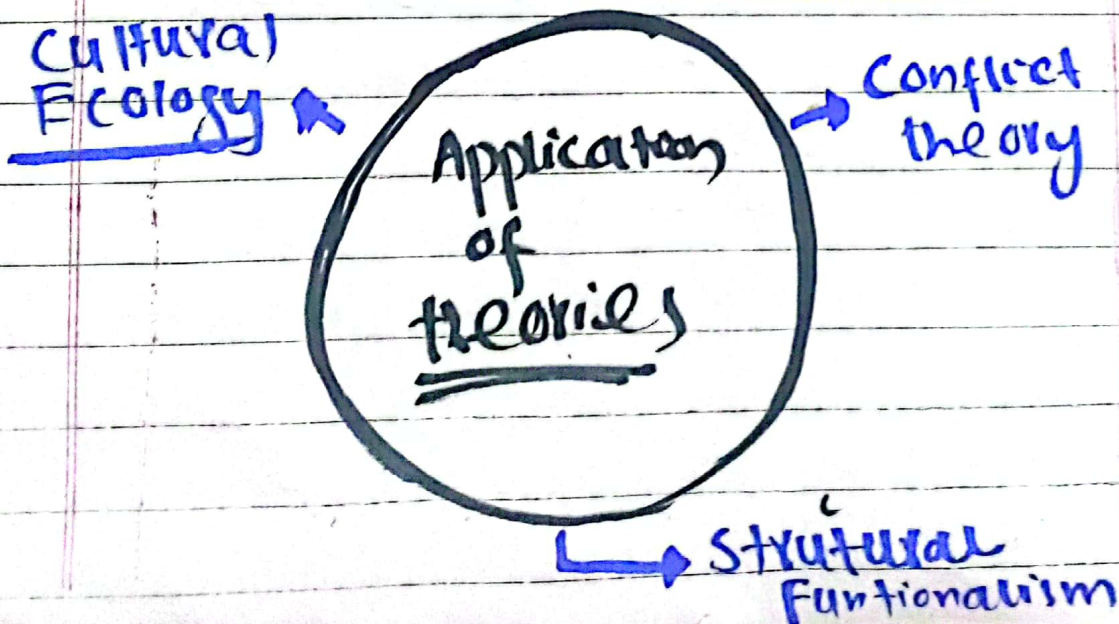
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Case Study

"As per the report of Dawn news 2025, Pakistan's education system is required 75 years to reach the existing status of Japan's education system."

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Applying the Anthropological theories on poverty and population:



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(i)
Cultural Ecology by
Juin Steward:

This theory suggests that environmental inequalities results in poverty.

Example:

Tharparkar city of Pakistan is marginalized as compared to the rich, affluent areas of Punjab.

(ii)
Conflict theory by Karl Marx,

Social class always results in the social difference. For instance, proletariat and Bourgeoisie.

Report of World Bank:

2024 report of World Bank suggests that 99% of the world wealth is in the hands of 1% elite.

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(iii)

Structural functionalism by Emil Durkheim:

This theory suggests that existing order is the source of stability. If the world tries to change, it, it could lead to destruction.

(4)

What Anthropologists suggest that how poverty and population explosion can be controlled.

(a)

Empowering Local Communities

Empower local communities for sustainable economic growth.

Case Study:
Bangladesh Micro finance Scheme.

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(b)
Enrolling local communities in decision making:

Engollement of local community in decision making can encourage them to do proper population planning.

Case in point:

Pakistan has introduced population planning scheme, however, ^{has} failed due to lack of local participation in population control.

(c)
Making policies which are aurgn with the cultural values of the community:

Make such policies which respect the culture of particular tribe or

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group. Ultimately it can result in good outcomes.

(5) Conclusion

Poverty and population pressure go side by side. Hence, a robust and an effective mechanism is required to grapple with these persistent challenges. The words of **Nelson Mandela** highlights the importance of equality in following words:

• "A just society begins with equal opportunity."