

Increasing Use of Drugs in Modern Age

Outline

1. Introduction

a) Hook

b) General statements

c) Thesis Statement: The sharp rise in drug use is caused by underlying social and economic issues and lack of awareness, demanding urgent actions across societal and economic levels, with strict regulatory policies.

2. Factors contributing to increased drug Usage

2.1. Social Factors

2.1.1. Poor social cohesion

2.1.2. Peer pressure

2.1.3. Social acceptance of drugs

2.2. Economic Factors

2.2.1. Unemployment breeding frustration

2.2.2. Cheap availability of drugs

2.3. Lack of awareness and Education

2.3.1. Ignorance of the effects of drugs.

2.3.2. Role of media and exposure to drug related content.

2.4. Systemic Factors

2.4.1. Lack of implementation of pharmaceutical drug regulation.

2.4.2. Absence of strict drug penalties for educational institutions.

2.4.3. Cost of rehabilitation centers.

3. Approaches to mitigate the drug problem

3.1. Initiatives at societal level

3.1.1. Strengthening family support

3.1.2. Early interventions

3.1.3. Awareness campaigns

3.2. Introducing economic reforms

3.2.1. Job creations and youth empowerment

3.2.2. Restricting the accessibility of cheap drugs

3.3. Strict regulatory mechanisms

3.3.1. Drug monitoring mechanisms

3.3.2. Strict penalties for unprescribed use of drugs

3.3.3. Zero tolerance policies in educational institutions

4. Conclusion

The Essay

"A nation is not lost because of the destruction of its infrastructure, but because of the destruction of its Youth." - Hazrat Ali (R.A). History is witness that it was never wars alone that destroyed nations, but the decline of its Youth. The world has seen disastrous wars that wiped out entire civilizations, yet those crippled nations rose and became great again. Nevertheless, there are more pressing issues today that are paralysing national development and especially targetting the youth. The increase usage of drugs appears to be one of the prime. The World Drug Report estimates that 316 million people used drugs in 2023. Drugs include substances that has serious negative impacts on both physical and mental wellbeing of individuals. The young populations, majority of the

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developing nations - considered as the future of a nation, are more vulnerable to this risk. The sharp rise in drug use is caused by underlying social and economic issues and lack of awareness, demanding urgent actions across societal and economic levels, with strict regulatory policies.

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