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## Précis (CSS-1983)

### Rural Development: Need of The Time

A meaningful development

Strategy requires rural development in order to involve majority of people in developmental projects. Rural population accounts for more than half of total population, but their per-capita income is much lesser than urban. To achieve their dreams, rural people migrated to cities, but ended up adding to urban squalor. In the past, only agricultural programmes were initiated, but now the problems from water supply to electricity and from education to healthcare need to be addressed. These facilities should be provided to enhance productivity and self-help while preserving the rich cultural heritage of rural society.