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Colonization : A Psychological Perspective

The psychological angle of colonization is comparatively less studied and explored by post-colonial scholars. Imperial hierarchies were inculcated in the minds of both colonizers and colonized through psychological architecture of domination. colonial powers used to justify their rule through narratives that showed oppressed people as beneficiaries of government. These narratives hindered the resistance from people. The colonized were indecisive about the structure that subjugate them. As, the colonial era of Africa is remembered not only as an era of oppression but also times of administrative and educational reforms. According to former colonizer, decolonization was the loss of moral purpose along with territory. Hence, the post-colonial scholars remains confused. Each decodes the history through different lenses of ideology and emotions.

Question 1

Why did Bashiran's family continue collecting charity even after becoming financially stable?

Answer

Bashiran's family continued collecting charity even after becoming financially stable because they did not reveal that they are no longer in need. Even after owning plots and running business, they kept on collecting charity, as it was giving them money. For them money was important not the means.

Question 2

What can we infer about the effectiveness of charity distribution in Karachi?

Answer:

The effectiveness of charity distribution in Karachi can be analysed from the example of Bashiran's family. The system of charity distribution has certain flaws such as verification of recipient is needed. System should re-verify the financial conditions of recipients after certain time interval to make charity distribution system more effective.

Question 3

What message is the writer trying to convey through the phrase "No business is bad, and no religion is greater than business"?

Answer:

The message, writer is trying to convey through the phrase "No business is bad, and no religion is greater than business" is that when there is to decide between religion and business, mostly chooses business. As in Islam, Zakat and charity is only for needy people to make them financially stable. But many ^{well off} families are collecting Zakat ~~at~~ by depicting themselves needy.

Question 4:

Why might people like Bashiran's family hesitate to stop collecting charity?

Answer:

People like Bashiran's family hesitate to stop collecting charity because it will reduce their income, they are relying in terms of Zakat and donations from wealthy people by showing themselves needy. For them business and money is important, dignity and religion come second.

Question 5:

What does the passage suggest about the long-term impact of unchecked practices on society?

Answer :-

The passage suggests that the ~~long term~~ unchecked charity practices curb the ability of people to become self-sufficient. People do not prefer to build their own capacity and they rely on Zakat, charity and donations from wealthy people. When donors do not verify the recipients, it not only enhances the financial gap between rich and poor class but also undermines the true objective of Zakat and Charity.

Translation

Ramanogen was a British-Indian mathematician, his work is still being used in space and technology. In During his childhood, he was unable to get admission in college due to unfavourable financial conditions and lack of interest in other subject except maths. At last, a British Professor Hardy, took ~~brought~~ him to Cambridge where he completed his B.A. Number 2520 was his discovery. The speciality of this digit is that it is ~~a~~ divisible to every number from 1 to 9. Ramanogen was a genius. Due to the dietary issues in England, this genius died at the age of 32, in 1920. A feature film has been made about him in India.
