

The Worst Disease in the World today is Corruption

Outline:

A: Introduction:

- a) Corruption is a cancer that consumes our world.
- b) The internal conscience and external affairs of the world are governed by corruption.
- c) Thesis statement: the plague of corruption is the worst disease in the world today because it has inculcated itself in all spheres and every affair of life. From dawn to dusk, corruption is the order of the day. Indeed, corruption is the worst contagious disease that is contaminating the world.

B: Corruption is the Worst Disease of the World today:

1. Every sector of life is polluted by the poison of corruption.
 - a) The implicit passions of the world are influenced by corruption.
 - b) The explicit dealings of the world are dominated by corruption.
2. The sacred institutions of life are contaminated by corruption.

a) Religion is tangled in the complicated maze of corruption.

b) Sacred relations of life are poisoned by the deceipts of corruption. (High divorce rates.)

3. The noble profession of education is marred by corruption.

a) Education is no more a welfare, it has become a business.

b) The education institutes favors corruption. (Educational hierarchy, elitism etc.)

4. The service of health is ruled by the unbridled giant of corruption.

a) Corruption has aggravated the decline of health services in the world.

b) The disparity among the people of World has grown rapidly due to corruption. (America vs. South Africa health index).

5. The government has lost its credibility due to various forms of corruption.

a) The democratic process and electoral procedures are devoid of transparency.

b) Governance is incapable to deliver due to high rates of corruption.

(Corrupt governments are poor in performance.)

6. The enthusiasm of the World is diminished by corruption.

- a) Sports are dominated by corruption (Paris Olympics 2024.)
- b) Liveliness is replaced by idleness. (Corruption brings ease.)

C: Uprooting Corruption from the World:

a) The worst disease of corruption that has polluted the whole world. However, the worst situation can be rectified by;

- 1) Upholding the notions of honesty and integrity.
- 2) Granting equal rights to all.
- 3) Improving governance.
- 4) Punishing the corrupt.
- 5) Following the international standards of development. (UNO SGDs).

D: Conclusion:

Essay:

Abraham Lincoln, the 14th American President and renowned scholar, has rightly predicted that **a house divided against itself cannot stand**. The world today is suffering from plethora of diseases but corruption is the worst disease

that has overtaken the world. The plague of cancer has divided the world and its peace is shattered. All spheres and affairs of life are plagued by corruption and no field is immune to the hazards of corruption. Regrettably, the transparency of internal emotions and external dealings is lost due to the overwhelming influence of corruption. The symptoms of corruption are evident in governance, health, education, and even in the sports and entertainment industry. However, the worst disease of corruption can be cured by taking right measures and executing them immediately.

Certainly, corruption has broken the machinery of the world by adversely affecting the implicit emotions of the people. Today, people are devoid of emotional and intellectual transparency. **T.S. Eliot has declared the modern man as hollow and fragmented.** He has said so because the headpiece of man is **filled with straw**, which implies that man is governed by corrupt passions of lust, envy, flattery, pride and vanity. The depiction of honest behavior is a rare event because the disease of corruption has plagued the emotions of the people of the world.

Moreover, the disease of corruption has polluted the external dealings of the man in the world. The everyday dealings, trade, exchange of goods, transport, and business are governed solely by corruption. **The porous Durand line reflects trade**

and transport supported by corrupt officials in order to gain their benefit. Similarly, the smuggling, trafficking, open drug trade and exchange of weapons are an explicit evidences of the rule of corruption in the world. It reflects that elite criminals do corruption to prosper in their illegal means and their corrupt practices not only diminish the progress but also spread the forms of corruption in every corner of the world.

Unfortunately, corruption has made its way to the religious institutions. The sacred entity of religion is poisoned by corruption as clergy itself is involved in sins of gluttony, pride, greed, lust and sloth. Corruption is aggravated when strong gets more stronger, so is the case in religious sectors where high ranks are untouchable despite of their corrupt practices against religion and humanity. **Pope, the highest priest of Christianity, explicitly exhibited corruption by misusing his religious powers under his papacy.** Thus, the religion is also affected by the worst disease of corruption.

Furthermore, the bliss of life has vanished altogether from the world because the disease of corruption has targeted the sacred relations. Today, the more corrupt ones are favoured by the society and the essence of pure mutual existence is

lost. The institution of marriage starts from the corrupt practices of flattery, false appearances, fake ownership and pseudo status. These corrupt beginnings result in disastrous endings as divorce rates are surging with the rise in corruption. Thus, corruption has affected the sacred relations of life and the disease of corruption has removed bliss from the world.

The symptoms of the disease of corruption have reached every sector of life including education. Corruption has marred the value of education as highlighted by Nelson Mandela in these words that, "education is the only weapon that can change the world." But, the world is blinded by the cancer of corruption and the value of education is marred. Today, despite of advanced technologies and high profile infrastructure, more than 250 million children are devoid of their right to education. Thus, corruption has promoted rise of elite children and fall of the poor and the slogan of 'education for all' has rendered no good to the world.

The educational institutes favours corruption as they give weightage to those who benefit them monetarily. The academic essence of the educational institutes is lost and corruption rules there. In doing so, the real talent is neglected and incapable and idle minds are promoted. It is said that, **corruption breeds corruption**, and

students of corrupt educational systems also do the same. In addition to this, the ^{corrupt} practice of "might is right" is prevailing in the educational institutes of the world where individual expressions are ignored and the repute of the institution is valued. Therefore, the disease of corruption is the worst issue of the world today because it has made education a business which was previously a welfare entity.

Similarly, the world today is tangled in multiple intricate diseases because the standard of health is deteriorating instead of doing progress. It is mainly because of the corruption of high officials who turn a deaf ear to the ^{problems of} areas which have lack health facilities. Currently, the refugees are the most hard-hit targets of contagious ailments but world organizations and concerned authorities are ~~being~~ busy in eating the funds of hard-hit people. Thus, the corrupt nature and criminal business of the high authorities has pushed the world in the ditch of serious ailments.

Corruption is responsible for aggravating the global economic disparity. It is evident that the western world is progressing by leaps ^{and} bounds while the South-African and South-Asian nations are standing on the verge of destruction. The primary reason behind the huge disparity is corruption which is promoted by capitalism.

the top 'sacred cows' owns everything while the others hardly have a square meal. Corruption is making the powerful more powerful. **The corrupt society is terrible for humans but ideal for business.** Thus, the worst disease of corruption has supported the business of the powerful and destroyed the dignity of the others.

It is said that "the good governance is the one that renders greater good to all instead of benefiting the few." Unfortunately, corruption has diminished the governance by polluting it in various ways. Today, the government offices do not operate on meritocracy rather they are governed by bribery, nepotism, cronyism, flattery, kickbacks and red-tapism. These practices have marred the governance and the authenticity of the higher offices is lost. Corruption has proved that, "a good reputation once lost is never regained." Thus, the disease of corruption has brought great disrespect to the governance all over the world.

The enthusiasm of the world is replaced by the idleness bred by corruption. Regrettably, corruption brings ease and with ease breeds all forms of corruption. It implies that corruption and ease go hand in hand. This

pair has affected the sports and liveliness of the world is lost. People prefer to stay under the cover of idleness promoted by corruption instead of living an honest life based on liveliness. The idleness is the serious enemy of the world that has stimulated man to do more corruption instead of upholding the principles of honesty. Therefore, the disease of corruption breeds idleness and in this way it becomes the worst issue the world is facing today.

Furthermore, sports are dominated by the corrupt practices where players of strong nations are favoured over the players from war zones or relatively weaker countries. The moral corruption of Olympic Committee was evident in Paris Olympics as their officials warmly welcomed the athletes of Israel. The rules of participation were altogether ignored in order to support Israel. Thus, corruption is evident in the sports arenas. Furthermore, the games are no more merely games rather they are a source of building capital through corrupt practices. Therefore, corruption is present in the sports grounds and its presence proves that it is the worst disease the world is facing today.

It is evident that corruption is the worst disease that the world is facing today as it is present in all affairs of life^{being} conducted in all corners of the world. However, it can be controlled by doing right legislation, taking strict executive actions, upholding prompt and just justice and ensuring transparency in all sectors of life. Corruption is a social evil and there is no denial to the fact that society itself can eradicate this evil through joint action.

It is concluded that corruption is the worst disease that the world is facing today. It is said so because corruption is the cancer that consumes the world through its illegal practices and fraudulent ways. Every sector of life including education, politics, health, governance, sports, economy, and ^{even} morality is affected by corruption. Corruption has plagued the very essence of the society and in doing so, it has further aggravated the economic disparity and maximized the differences in human development indexes of different regions. Furthermore, corruption has settled itself in the roots of governance and the graph of good governance has suffered a decline due to the illness caused by it. However, the disease of corruption has not plagued the whole fabric of the world ~~rather~~ because as Shakespeare puts it, all is not lost and all is well that

ends well. Therefore, the world needs to come together to eradicate the evil of corruption and find a cure to this disease as it is said that "the art of living is always to make a good thing out of a bad thing." Thus, the world needs to make a ^{good and effective} cure to the worst disease of corruption.
