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Q17

'Poverty Alleviation Programmes in India remain mere show pieces until and unless they are backed by political will'. Discuss with reference to the performance of the major poverty alleviation programmes in India. (250 words).

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2017 · GS II · 15 marks · Poverty and Hunger

Issues relating to poverty and hunger.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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MGNREGA, 2005

Legal right to rural wage work; performance varies sharply by State on wage delay, works and social audit.

National Food Security Act, 2013

Legal entitlement to subsidised grain for eligible households; delivery depends on State PDS reform.

DAY-NRLM

Livelihood mission through SHGs; success needs federations and markets, not only revolving funds on paper.

PMGSY

Rural roads programme with relatively ring-fenced finance and measurable assets.

IRDP / SGSY

Older self-employment subsidy lines criticised for leakage and poor-quality assets.

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