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Q16

Inequality in the ownership pattern of resources is one of the major causes of poverty. Discuss in the context of 'paradox of poverty'

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · 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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Forest Rights Act, 2006

Recognises individual and community forest rights; weak titling keeps the paradox alive in forest districts.

Multidimensional Poverty Index

NITI-linked MPI shows deprivation clusters that often overlap resource-extraction belts.

Samata (1997)

Restricted transfer of tribal land in Scheduled Areas, a judicial attempt to keep ownership from sliding to non-tribals.

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