

9 Discuss the methodology of the Global Hunger Index & its shortcomings. (200 W)

Recently the European NGO Concern Worldwide & World Hungerlife released Global Hunger Index-2021. India has ranked ~~around~~ 101 in 116 countries, with "serious" hunger category nation.

Methodology of calculating GHI

The index is calculated on 4 parameters as follows

- Percent of undernourished ^(PoU) population
- Percent children under five who are suffering from stunting & low height for age
- Percent of child wasting (low ~~weight~~ for age height) under five
- child mortality under five.

Some Shortcoming in methodology

- ① The assessment of Burden indicators is based on opinion poll conducted by

Gallup.

- ② But, it is revealed that, the percentage of undernourished population data are taken from the UN-Food & Agriculture organization
- ③ The FAO define POU as daily food intake by the people which insufficient to fulfill healthy needs of body.
- ④ Also, it depends on many factors like availability of food, consumption pattern, income level & distribution, population etc.
- ⑤ The data related to consumption mostly absent from nation data, which taken by modelling exercise.
- ⑥ This reveals that there are some error in methodology ~~for~~ of calculating GHI, as ~~claimed~~ by India.
It is cause of worry, ~~by~~ ~~see~~ of India rank in hunger index, but it is essential the methodology ~~that~~ should be proper to measure the hunger level.