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Q. Hunger and malnourishment are two different things. Discuss this in the context of Global Hunger Index 2022. Also, suggest measures to deal with malnourishment in India.

↳ Hunger and Malnourishment

↳ Hunger is associated with food scarcity and starvation.

↳ malnourishment is lack of Proper Nutrition.

↳ Global Hunger Index 2022

1) ↳ Recently GHI released, India ranked 107 out of 121 countries. In response - the Indian Government has raised methodological concerns.

2) ↳ But there is no denying that in India, Nutrition particularly child Nutrition continues to be problem.

3) ↳ National Family Health Survey (NFHS) does a good job of providing comparative state level data, including the main pointers that determine health and nutrition.

↳ Measures to deal with Malnourishment.

1) ↳ Sanitation and hygiene require much more work.

2) ↳ Body mass Index (BMI) test is the



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Best way of identifying both thin and overweight kids and the ongoing poshan Abhiyan there is a need to declutter the current approaches to undernutrition.

3) Advise against a disproportionate focus on anthropometry (Body measurement) instead direct engagement with actual diet and food

4) NHTS says 42% of infants are breastfed it is not enough, infant is denied the benefit of activating antibodies against infection.

5) Diversity in Diet is important

↳ Food distribution Programme to kids like attending anganwadis, schools, adolescent and pregnant & lactating mothers

↳ Conclusion

State should re-examine NHTS finding to steer a new course to improve the poshan practices for the youngest and most vulnerable section of the society