

Social infrastructure are defined as the construction and maintenance of infrastructure that helps in social service such as Health, Education, Civic amenities & Housing and transportation etc.

Impact of ~~poor~~ social infrastructure:

1. As per ASER report, only 30% of children got study materials ~~or~~ because of lack of social infrastructure.
2. Only 38% of households in rural India has pipd water which actually reduce time for children as they also made to look for water.
3. As per NSSO survey 40% of household still use firewood for cooking reducing study time and impacting health of children and women.
4. In this time pandemic the lack of digital connectivity also reduced the access for children in rural areas.

Schemes and tackling the challenges:

1. 'Har Ghar Jal' under 'National Jal Jeevan Mission' aims to provide piped water to all household by 2024.

2. Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana - increased coverage by 94 % for LPG cylinder and supports refill through subsidy.
3. Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - aims to provide rural road connectivity addressing equity.
4. Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat - aims to develop Primary health care facilities in rural India helping cover health.
5. PM Wani - creating wifi facilities for accessing internet in rural India.

Addressing short comings in social infrastructure are vital for SDG goals and better Human development goals of the country.