

AS-1 (Social Issues)

1) Despite their crucial role in the rural economy, rural women's contribution was often unpaid, unaccounted or underpaid. Critically analyse the statement and suggest measures to overcome the situation (250 words).

Women plays a key role in rural Economy. In rural India, most of the labourers are women. But, they are often under-represented with meagre wages.

Women's Contribution:

* Agriculture is the back bone of Rural India.

* In rural, the no. of women in the agricultural field is significantly high.

* After MGNERS, the representation of women in rural work is increased.

* Besides Agriculture, they play a vital role in secondary sector.

* After Agriculture, the cotton industries play a significant role in Indian Economy.

* In cotton Industries, the role of women is more than 50%.

* Apart from that, they are working as a construction labourers, sweepers, coolies in rural.

Under paid :-

* They are facing the payment partition issue in rural.

* Often they are under paid.

* The construction men labourers salary is quite higher than women despite the equal work.

* They often get wages much later after the work.

* They are facing problems in personal maternal issues during work.

Measures :-

* Construct a women Welfare Board in every rural villages.

* The Board shall comprise of

Village headman, teachers of the respective villagers & some women leaders.

* The payment system for women need to be over-sighted by the local

* Construct a formula for pricing system for women with respect to minimal wage of the state.

* Provide maternal leave for women in rural with 50% of wages.

* It ensures social security & health of women.