

Chapter - 2 Sectors of the Indian Economy

Ques 1) What are the different sectors of Indian economy?

→ Primary sector :

All those activities which involves production of goods by exploiting natural resources come under primary sector. It is also known as agriculture and related sector. It includes agriculture, dairy, fishing, mining etc.

→ Secondary sector :

Activities in which natural products are changed into other forms by ways of manufacturing that we associate with the industrial activity comes under secondary sector. This sector is also known as industrial sector. It includes conversion of cotton into textile.

→ Tertiary sector :

Those activities that help in development of primary and secondary sector. These activities do not produce a good but aid or support for the production process. Eg → Transportation, Banking, wholesale and retail shop, storage, communication etc. This sector is also known as service sector.

Ques 2) What are recent emerging services?

Internet cafe, ATM booths, call centres, software services etc.

ne GDP [Gross Domestic Product]. The value of final goods and services produced in a sector during a particular year provides the production of the sector. Add the sum of production in the three sectors gives gross domestic product. GDP is a measure of how big economy is.

What are the reasons for rising importance of service sector in India?

In developing countries like India the government undertake the responsibility of basic services like health, education, police, court, banks, insurance etc. Development of agriculture and industry has increased the demand for services such as transport, storage etc.

As incomes of people rise they start demanding more services like tourism, shopping, hotels, professional consulting etc.

In the past decades certain new services based on modern technology have become more important and popular.

Service sector in India employs unskilled, semi-skilled, as well as educated workers.

What do you understand by underemployment (or disguised unemployment)?

a situation where people generally apparently works but them are made to work less than the potential.

to create more employment?

Infrastructure development: This includes development of facilities that help in self employment. These facilities include development of dams, canals, better, rural roads etc by government.

Providing loans at lower rate of interest: This help farmers and other small business to provide buy cheap inputs to the farming & and other related businesses.

Encourage and locate industry and services in their semi-urban areas where a large number of people may be employed by opening a cold storage area or honey collection centres.

How has Indian government provided significant work to its citizens?

The central govt of India recently made a law implementing the right to work in 200 districts of India through National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), 2005.

Under NREGA all those who are able to work are assured of work have been guaranteed 100 days of employment in a year by the government.

If the government fails to provide employment it should give unemployment allowances to the people.

Differentiate between organised and unorganised sectors in India.

Organised sector -

Organised sector covers those enterprises or places or work where terms of employment are regular.

are registered by the government and are bound by certain rules such as factories act, minimum wages act etc. Workers of organised sector enjoy security of employment, have fixed hours of work.

Organised sector workers are paid extra for overtime work, work places have facilities like drinking water, working environment etc.

Workers get other benefits such as paid leaves, provident funds, pension etc.

Unorganised sector -

In urban areas unorganised sector comprises of casual workers in construction, traders and transport, street vendors, hand load workers, garment makers, rag pickers.

Unorganised sector is characterised by small and scattered units outside the government controls, no rules and regulations are not allowed.

Wages are low paid and irregular.

There is no provision for overtime, paid leaves etc.

Which section of the society is more vulnerable to exploitation in unorganised sectors?

less agricultural labourers, small and marginal farmers, share croppers and artisans such as weavers, tailors, carpenter etc.

Q. How do we protect workers in unorganised sector?
Farmers in rural areas need to be supported through adequate facility for timely delivery of seed, agriculture inputs, credit, storage facilities and marketing outlets. In urban areas small scale industry need government's help in procuring raw materials and marketing of outputs.

Q. How would you classify sectors in terms of ownership?

Public sector...

It is owned by the government
and it owns most of the assets and provides all services

The activities of public sector are guided by the motive of public welfare

It usually undertakes projects that require heavy spending and are unprofitable to the private sector

Private sector...

The ownership of assets and delivery of services is in the hands of private individuals or companies

The activities of private sector are guided by the motive of making profits

It takes up only those projects that are profitable and economically feasible