

BAL BHARATI PUBLIC SCHOOL, PITAMPURA, DELHI - 110034

SUBJECT-ECONOMICS

Dear students

Please read the given content carefully and answer the questions that follow. Write the answers in your Economics notebook.

Read pg. 11, 14, 15 and 16 of NCERT textbook.

Refer to the link:

http://ncert.nic.in/textbook/textbook.htm?jess2=1-5

CHAPTER-1: DEVELOPMENT

We have reached the last segment of the chapter. In this lesson we will discuss about two concepts:

- 1. Public Facilities
- 2. Sustainable Development

PUBLIC FACILITIES

These are those facilities which are meant for collective use by the society.

These facilities can be provided by anyone- the government or the private individuals, but once these facilities are provided, they give a collective benefit to the society.

Examples of public facilities are-Schools, Hospitals, Museums, Roads etc.

Remember: Money in your pocket cannot buy you everything that you need to live well.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

It means developing in such a way that you use the resources today and at the same time, you save them for the future.

In other words, we can say that sustainable development is that development that happens without harming the resources and nature.

Activity 1: Read the example of 'Groundwater in India' given in the yellow box on Page 14

Activity 2: Read the example of 'Exhaustion of Natural Resources' given in the box on Page 15

The purpose of studying about public facilities here is that public facilities also promote sustainable development.

Since the facilities are collectively used, therefore they help in saving the resources.

Example: The facilities of one classroom are used by 45-50 students at a time. If we had tried to make individual provisions, i.e. giving a separate classroom to all, the amount of resources spent would have been much more. This would have led to wasteful utilization of resources.

Therefore, for many of the important things in life, the best way and also the cheapest way is to provide these goods and services collectively.

ASSIGNMENT

- Q1 Suggest any 5 ways to achieve sustainable development.
- Q2 How have human activities posed a threat to resources and nature in your opinion? List any 5 points.
- Q3 Why is the issue of sustainability important for development?