

Daily Editorial Analysis From Newspaper 23 March 2021

Title: Rising poverty: On pandemic induced disparity

The article at hand takes into account the results of a new study by Pew research center that highlights the growing economic disparity in India and China.

As per the study, it is clear that the COVID-19 pandemic has had a severe impact on the living standards in India and China, with many people being pushed beyond the poverty line. Although the numbers in China are not that huge, the situation is grave in India.

And while the study points out various assumptions it took in carrying out the analysis, it doesn't mask the gravity of the situation. The assessment makes it clear that it is the lower-income population groups that have bore the brunt of the pandemic.

In this regard, policies to redress the issue have not been effective enough. As the number of COVID cases rises yet again, economic growth looks more of a far-fetched prospect.

Words to look out for

Cohort:

- **Synonyms:** group, army, gang
- **Antonyms:** entity, unit, division
- **Word usage:** The cohort of travelers from India was banned in Nepal due to COVID.

Deleterious:

- **Synonyms:** harmful, negative, detrimental
- **Antonyms:** beneficial, advantageous, useful
- **Word usage:** Cutting trees is deleterious to our environment.

Stymie:

- **Synonyms:** thwart, hinder, block
- **Antonyms:** assist, help, aid
- **Word usage:** His growth trajectory was stymied because he fractured his leg.

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