

Subject- S.S.T      Class- 9      Topic- People as Resource  
Learn and Write

Q5 :

What part does health play in the individual's working life?

Answer :

The health of an individual helps him to realise his potential and also gives him the ability to fight illness. An unhealthy individual is a liability to his place of work. The health of a person is directly related to his efficiency. As compared to an unhealthy individual, a healthy person can work more efficiently and with greater productivity.

Q6 :

What are the various activities undertaken in the primary sector, secondary sector and tertiary sector?

**Answer :**

**Primary sector** comprises activities related to the extraction and production of natural resources. Agriculture, forestry, animal husbandry, fishing, poultry farming, mining and quarrying are the activities undertaken in this sector.

**Secondary sector** comprises activities related to the processing of natural resources. Manufacturing is included in this sector.

**Tertiary sector** comprises activities that provide support to the primary and secondary sectors through various services. Trade, transport, communication, banking, education, health, tourism, insurance, etc., are examples of tertiary activities.

**Q7 :**

**What is the difference between economic activities and non-economic activities?**

**Answer :**

Activities that add value to the national income are called economic activities. These have two parts - market activities (production for pay or profit) and non-market activities (production for self consumption).

Non-economic activities are the ones that do not add to the national income; for example, an individual performing domestic chores.

**Q8 :**

**Why are women employed in low paid work?**

**Answer :**

Education and skill are the major determinants of the earning of any individual in the market. Due to gender discrimination, women are generally denied the education and the necessary skills to become worthy contributors to the national income. As a result, a majority of women have meagre education and low skill formation. This is one of the reasons why they get paid less than men. Also, the perpetuation of gender prejudices such as "a woman cannot do as much physical work as a man" put women at a disadvantage.