Development Engineering

Lecture 3

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What is Development?

- Tragedies and their causes and prevention.
- Rapid tragedies vs. slow motion tragedies.
- Natural vs. man-made.

Development as the non-tragic

Development as the desire for and pursuit of a predictable, comfortable and cultural life for an individual and her household.

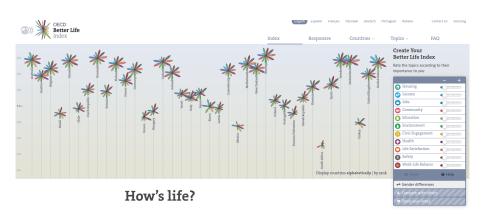
- Basic needs: Food, water, shelter, health, reproduction. Cultural Needs.
- Contrast, say with a mughal king. Social and collective and not individual.
- Liberty, Equality, Fraternity, as a society. Means to an end.
- Modernity: Efficiency, Equity, Sustainability.
- Governmentality. The power of statistics. The ability to prevent and to pay the costs of prevention.

Millennium development goals

- elimination of extreme poverty and hunger,
- achieve universal primary education,
- promote gender equality,
- reduce child mortality and improve maternal health
- to combat diseases such as HIV, malaria,
- to ensure environmental sustain-ability, and finally
- to develop a global partnership for development.

No mention of money, companies or job or cultures. Also, why should education matter?

OECD



OECD Index

Let us look at OECD, which is a group of rich countries, and their indices for countries.

- We see that they have 11 categories,
- housing, income, jobs, community, education, environment,
- civic engagement, health, life satisfaction,
- safety, and work-life balance.

One must also wonder how these are measured!

Human Development Index

3 components, geometric mean.

- Health. Life expectancy at birth.
- Education. Mean years of schooling for people above 25.
 Expected years of schooling.
- Well-being. per-capita GDP.

General rule:

$$I_i = \frac{Obs - Min}{Max - Min}$$
 $I = (I_1I_2I_3)^{1/3}$

Inequality Adjusted Index: Geometric mean/Arithmetic Mean.

Data-sets

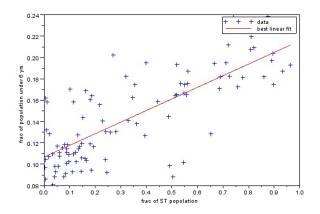
Census.

- All individuals. Grouped at ward, village and then at all above levels.
- Part A. Demographic.
 - Population, age-wise group, SC/ST, literacy, employment.
- Part B. Amenities.
 - Household. Housing, Cooking DW, Electricity, Ownership.
 - Village PHC, school, college, large town, hospital.

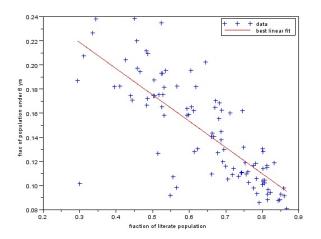
NSSO.

- Sample, roughly 400-600 per district (rural). Careful selection and careful training.
- Specialized surveys.
 - ► Consumption. Amenities. Water. Education. Agriculture.

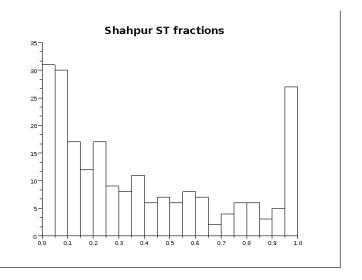
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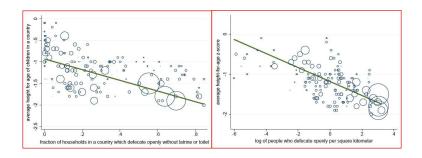
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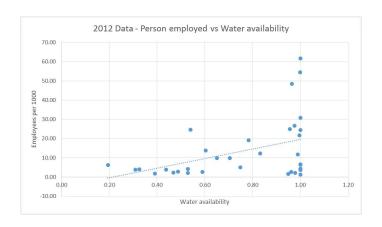
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Open Defecation vs. Stuntedness



Urban Drinking Water and Jobs



Inequality and its determinants

Latrines on premises - Census 2011
Talukas - Urban and Rural Populations
Comparison of General vs. SC
populations.

- Greater geographical and rural-urban divide than social divide.
- Higher development index leads to more parity and equity.
- Tamil Nadu does worse!
- Needs analysis and strategy.
- Communities and regional agencies need support and hand-holding.

