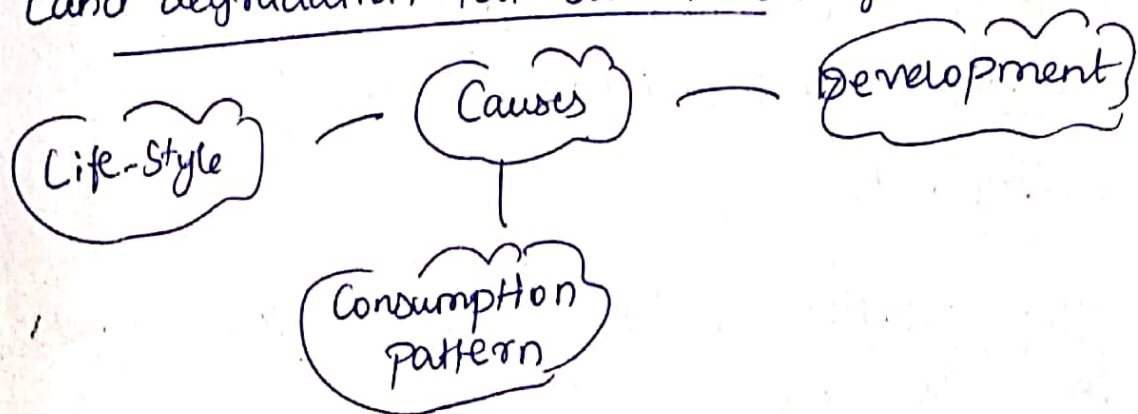


The 14th CoP to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, hosted by India, adopted that land degradation is largely responsible for climate change. Examine.

School children, civil society & even the entire world has accepted that climate change is the biggest war that human is/will going to face. The same has been acknowledged in New Delhi declaration as well.

Land degradation led climate change



- Life Style change & Consumption Pattern has changed so much so that the earth is not sustainable for beings anymore or at least in another 100 years
- In the name of development, we have constructed roads, dams, thermal plants etc by cutting down trees & clearing forest
- Food security of the world has been given by this very land by overexploiting with mono/di agri products.

Effect

- Recent report from 'National Centre for Scientific Research' & 'Atomic Energy Commission' said that global temperature will rise by 6-7°C by 2100.
- IPCC report: This will lead to ocean acidification, affecting climate pattern (El Nino, La Nina effect) which in-turn causes floods & droughts frequently.
- It does not stop there, also causes food security → lead to loss of lives → lead to loss of economy → unstab'ility in the world

way forward:

- Stop mindless & danger construction projects in danger zone
- Use the fund of Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) launched in 13th COP, UNCCD for restoration & rehabilitation of land.
- Changing our consumption pattern to not affect the economy as well as overburden the land.

Civil Society like 'Extinction Rebellion' is fighting this climate change in a Gandhian way to show the world from the dream and telling us we need to act & act now. After all This earth is the living place we have.