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Criminalising begging is a wrong approach to deal with the underlying causes of the problems. Discuss in the light of Recent Delhi Court Judgement.

Criminalizing begging Violates the most fundamental right of some of the most vulnerable people in our Society. People in this group do not have access to basic necessities such as food, shelter and health. It ignores the reality that the people who beg are poorest of the poor in the Society.

The root cause of the problem is Poverty and the reasons are no access to education, Social protection, discrimination based on caste and ethnicity, landlessness, physical and Mental challenges, and Isolation.

The Bombay Prevention of Begging Act, 1959 prescribes a punishment of detention for not more than 3 years in prison if a person was found begging. Section 11 of the act prescribes a punishment of Minimum one year or Maximum 3 Years for Persons who cause others to beg.

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People Beg on the street not because they wish to, but because they need to. Begging is their last resort to subsistence and they have no other means to survive. The government is responsible to provide Social Security for everyone to ensure all citizens have access to basic facilities and presence of begger is evident that the state has not managed to provide these to its citizens.

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