

Critically examine the causes of farmer suicide and measures taken by the govt to alleviate them?

farmers suicide has become a great threat to our society almost 40% increase in farmer suicides in 2015 when compared to 2016. North east monsoon failed. Some more suicide in Tamilnadu.

Causes of farmer suicide

- * drought
- * loan
- * Cost of production

drought

drought was said as cause for farmers suicide but if it is the cause then drought has occurred in 1987 and many times before 2000 at that time farmers suicide was less only after 2000 farmers suicide was more

loan:

national crime records bureau (NCRB) report annual death and suicide report says that loan and indebtedness as a single large cause. Subramanyam committee also said the same but in 2008 govt dismissed all the loans of farmer but still after 2008 farmer suicide continues

cost of production

The above two drought and loan are clearly

not the cause for farmer suicide. whereas we look at the cost of production of crops it has increased many folds after 1990's and only after 1990's farmer suicide has also increased so this is the cause of farmer suicide

Measures taken by government:-

Loans disposed:-

Government disposed 73000 crore worth

loans of farmer but it failed to reduce the

menace
Cost of production

Government should try to bring the production

cost of agriculture down then only the menace will come down

MSP :-

minimum support price given by govt is not enough it should be atleast

more than 50% of production cost and which deter

minimizing the MSP govt should motivate farmers

MGNREGA :-

MGNREGA should be integrated with agriculture

so that farmers get labours easily and at no cost during season (or) drought so that cost could

come down

Middle men:-

Middle men should be reduced so that farmers could get some profit

mere diminishing of loans won't reduce suicides bring down cost of production will only reduce the menace