



## City vs Village

### Description

#### City Life:-

##### Advantages of City Life:-

- City life has an advanced and well-equipped environment. People migrate to cities because of better job opportunities, stability and a decent income which is still a dream in villages.
- Cities have a vast number of schools, colleges and universities. Hence, people in cities get proper quality education which is a primary factor for a quality life.
- Recreation and entertainment options are plenty in the cities. People also get adequate opportunities to establish and showcase their talents here.
- Better transportation, sanitation, availability of water and drainage systems are seen in cities. The drainage of polluted water goes through treatment before getting dumped in lakes or rivers. This keeps a small check on pollution too.
- Medical help is at our fingertips. There are a number of hospitals and clinics and well-equipped doctors and nurses for people in need.
- All services are just a click away. For example, we can order food online and also can order repair services from apps.
- Anonymity in cities helps in escaping from the judgements of people.

##### Disadvantages of city life:-

- Urbanization is increasing at a rapid pace, and currently, about 33-34% of Indians live in cities. This rate is expected to be around 40% by 2030. With the high population density, the quality of life in cities is expected to degrade and become unfit for living. The competition for resources such as land and water can increase prices at a rapid rate.
- City life is a very busy one, developing every second into a better version of itself. This results in a loss of cultural qualities and flavours.
- High demand for city life has resulted in congestion.

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- The city's population increases day by day. This leads to an environment with polluted air, smog, unclean water supplies, and noise pollution.
  - Increase in pollution rates in the cities brings in more health issues. People tend to fall sick more in cities due to the polluted environment which is unfit for living.
  - An increase in costs and expenditure is a vital problem for city dwellers. This creates a reason for more competition for gaining wealth and hence increases stress and crimes too.

## Village Life:-

### Advantages of rural life:-

- A pollution-free environment is available in most rural/village areas.
- The scenic beauty and greenery of rural areas are prominent. This also attracts tourists from around the globe. Moreover, watching greenery every day reduces the risk of anxiety and depression.
- Rural areas have a scope for socio-economic benefits like low prices of agricultural and consumer products, access to markets, public transport, employment opportunities, and better education and healthcare facilities.
- The essence of folk and culture is prominent in these areas. This defines the rural areas uniquely.
- In the present times, as we have more self-employment opportunities such as starting a channel on YouTube to earn money, people can earn well by staying in rural areas too. Moreover, the lower cost of living in rural areas, when compared with the cost of living in cities can help people to save more money.

### Disadvantages of rural life:-

- Lack of higher education institutions is one of the main disadvantages of rural lives. This creates the main hurdle to better standards of living and forces people to move to cities.
- Rural areas have poor road connectivity. Some rural areas do not have road connectivity. And some other rural areas do not have access to all-weather roads.
- Limited medical help is another main disadvantage in these areas.
- Rural life is difficult for many, especially for women because of the lack of proper sanitation and toilets in many rural areas.

### Conclusion:-

Though city life has many disadvantages, people flock there more for its advantages such as more opportunities and facilities. Improper road connectivity is one of the main reasons for the slow economic growth in rural areas. But the government is making situations better for rural India. The Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) is a step towards improving road connectivity in rural parts of the country. Hence, the reduction of pollution in cities and the development of roads and infrastructure in rural areas will promote balanced development.

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