

Class 8 Social Science(civics)

Chapter-7 Understanding Marginalisation

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1. What you understand by the word ‘marginalisation’ .

- A social process of being confined to lower social standing is marginalisation.
- It involves people being denied their fundamental rights that results in lowering their social and economical status.
- It is a situation when a particular social group is forced to live on the fringes rather than in the mainstream.
- A marginalised section of the society does not get proper opportunity of socio-economic development.

2. List two reasons why Adivasis are becoming increasingly marginalised.

Answer Adivasis are being increasingly marginalised for the following two reasons:

1. Changes in forest laws have deprived the Adivasis of access to forest produce.
2. Construction of factories and other projects in tribal areas has forced many tribal people to migrate to other places in search of a livelihood.

3. Write one reason why you think the Constitution’s safeguards to protect minority communities are very important?

Answer The safeguards to protect minority communities are necessary, because the majority community may culturally dominate the minority communities and the minority communities might become marginalised.

4. What do you understand by the term minority?

Answer Minority is the community that is numerically small in relation to the rest of the population. A particular religious section, which has a low percentage in population compared to the major religious community is called a minority.

