

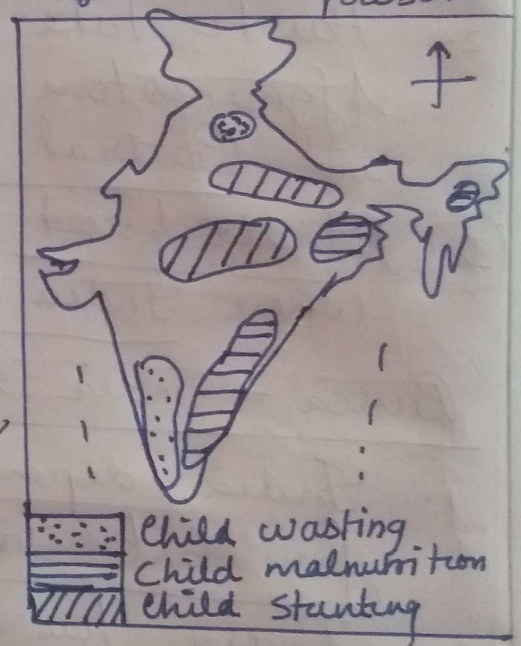
1. The economic return for investment in child nutrition always remain high and contributes to the country's holistic development. Explain

The India's population is the youngest population in the world till 2060's and it has the need to make sure that India's children are safe from malnutrition, which in future will provide a holistic development in health, economy and growth of nation.

### Investment in health:

1. As per Ministry of health, India spends 3.5% of GDP in health.
2. The economic return of Cost to benefit is 1:16 as per National Family Health Survey.
3. Children health will decrease out of pocket expenditure by 30% - WHO

Figure: Children nutrition problems





## Full usage of India's demography:

1. Investment in health, grows the potential of India's future 15-59 years population.
2. As per ILO, India's productivity will increase by 2.5 times in 2050, if health expenditure is increased to 5% GDP.
3. More production → more development attain 5 Trillion economy by 2024.

## Economic development:

1. Out of pocket expenditure - 63% - NFHS 2018
2. So decrease in OPE increase the expenditure in the economy.
3. (e.g) WEF, India if increase expenditure, its GDP will rise by 3% by 2045.

## Social development:

1. Decrease public health spending currently 2.5% in 3.5% of GDP.
2. Will be achieved if India spends 6% of GDP.
3. (e.g) UNDP survey India's poverty will reduce by 5% by 2030 if spending on health increased.

Thus it is always a positive development for nation on all sphere if health is improved.