

**In recent years some countries have experienced very rapid economic development. This has resulted in much higher standards of living in urban areas but not in the countryside.**

**This situation may bring some problems for the country as a whole.**

**What are these problems?**

**How might they be reduced?**

**Give reasons for your answer and include any relevant examples from your knowledge or experience.**

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As the big cities' economies make progress, metropolitans are provided with better living quality lives which simply result in nothingness in the countryside. Without a question this trend will be followed by many problems to the whole country, for it is the farmers who feed the whole population. These problems as well as some approaches to reverse this trend or lessen its effects will be discussed in this writing.

With the rise of the populations who are abandoning rural areas for large cities seeking better opportunities and living conditions, the suburban areas without which the governments remain empty-handed to feed people are being ruined. In the 70's in my country about 55% (just over half) of the people were living in suburban areas. Meanwhile, the country was exporting agricultural products to nearby markets. 30 years later, it was announced that countrymen compose/comprise/represent/account for roughly a quarter of ~~form a percentage of 28 in~~ the whole population of the country and now we are importing wheat and many other strategic products we used to export. Cities have been growing larger uncontrollably and alarmingly. People have been coming to cities that were not unaccustomed to the urban culture. For instance, cities were on an attempt to control the birth rate while peasants needed bigger human resources and were definitely keen on giving birth to as many as they could. Quarrels/rows/feuds/conflicts/Arguments in many neighborhoods arose and the whole country disappointedly paid for it.

However, in a free enterprise where any private business operates in competition, the government is not always allowed to do what seems the best, the investing orientations of the government and the encouraging policies incentives must become aligned with what satisfies countrymen with their rustic life, and if need be despite the wide law-based belief, governments should change the law and align it with other factors required. The attitude of the authorities should hold fast to making rural life better and better until it reaches the balance point where the proportion of the population living in cities becomes rational, otherwise. ~~Otherwise,~~

not only will more countrymen leave their life for a better, but also with the countryside abandoned and the coercion on providing cities with their requirements by even importing what countrymen used to produce, the rustic life will be totally destroyed.

The more unbalanced the development of economy in rural and urban areas, the more people will immigrate to large cities; the less will remain responsible for rural traditional duties. Hence the immediate consideration of measures to abort this trend some of which include changing the investing orientations of the government and the encouraging policies to make them more efficient to attract people to stay and even choose a the rustic life.