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**Activity 1- current affairs**

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The Rural Development Department of Maharashtra will undertake the responsibility of this project which will include toilets as well as other basic amenities for the residents.

[3 HRS AGO](https://www.jagranjosh.com/current-affairs/maharashtra-government-to-build-882-lakh-houses-under-rural-housing-project-1606130525-1)

**Rural development** is the process of improving the [quality of life](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quality_of_life) and economic [well-being](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Well-being) of people living in [rural areas](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rural_area), often relatively isolated and sparsely populated areas.[[1]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rural_development#cite_note-1)

Rural development has traditionally centered on the [exploitation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Exploitation_of_natural_resources) of land-intensive [natural resources](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Natural_resource) such as [agriculture](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Agriculture) and [forestry](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Forestry). However, changes in [global production networks](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Global_production_networks) and increased [urbanization](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Urbanization) have changed the character of rural areas. Increasingly [tourism](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tourism" \o "Tourism),s niche manufacturers, and [recreation](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Recreation) have replaced resource extraction and agriculture as dominant economic drivers.[[2]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rural_development#cite_note-2) The need for rural communities to approach development from a wider perspective has created more focus on a broad range of development goals rather than merely creating incentive for agricultural or resource based businesses. Education, [entrepreneurship](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Entrepreneurship#Rural), physical infrastructure, and social infrastructure all play an important role in developing rural regions.[[3]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rural_development#cite_note-3)

Rural development is also characterized by its emphasis on locally produced economic development strategies.[[4]](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rural_development#cite_note-4) In contrast to urban regions, which have many similarities, rural areas are highly distinctive from one another. For this reason there are a large variety of rural development approaches used globally.

Rural development is a comprehensive term. It essentially focuses on action for the development of areas outside the mainstream urban economic system. We should think of what type of rural development is needed because modernization of village leads to urbanization and village environment disappears.



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