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Topic 1: The Role of Infrastructure in the Development of East Asia

Infrastructure is important to stimulate economic growth. With infrastructure, it means there will be an increase in roads, ports, telecommunication systems, etc. This will allow the country's economy to flourish. This development enhances the quality of living and productivity in society. Infrastructure is essential to meet the required energy needs today, and by exploiting the development of them, it allows for the economy to grow and prosper. Infrastructure creates a connection to developed countries and helps stimulate the growth of it in developing nations. However, some tend to show doubts in governance and demand a level of transparency as there are many cases of corruption.

Jordan has demonstrated that it has a respectable and trustworthy government by supporting the demands of the people. Jordan lacks a stable water supply, and its people worry about the future of the nation, and Jordan exemplifies that it will create many projects that will compensate for the scarcity of water to help increase and stabilize it. Jordan promises to accomplish this for the sake of its well being to move forward as a country. They put forward strategic advances to accomplish their Millennium Developmental Goals (MDGs), which demonstrates to the public that Jordan will go to any extent to attain to the needs of its people. In just a little over 15 years, Jordan has demonstrated that it will go the extra mile for reducing poverty, increasing sanitation, as well as access to water. Jordan's water and sanitation are subsidized, making it more affordable for people to have, therefore showing clarity and that level of transparency the people want. Jordan has nearly 94% of people with access to safe drinking water and 93% access to improved sanitation; because of the cost being subsidizes by Jordan, it allows for easy access. Furthermore, communication infrastructures in Jordan are extremely advanced; it is in fact one of the most competitive telecommunication industry in the Middle East. It has one of the highest

percentages of people with access to the internet within their households. With over 40%, looking to increase this to nearly double, it makes Jordan the Capital of technology of the Middle East. Jordan believes that the number will double based on the return in taxes as the government reduces the costs in attempting to make it easier for more people to have access to it. The increase in communication in Jordan could be rather beneficial to them as it could allow them to transfer messages (i.e.: the scarcity of water) to a broader public.

Possible solutions such as public tenders could create a trust in government as anyone can make a bidding on the contract and participate in the building of the infrastructure. This will benefit Jordan's government as it will refute any possible speculations about it not being transparent and having preference over another. It will also help in lowering corruption rates so people understand the breakdown of the allocation to the budget of this project. Furthermore, a poor governance would set Jordan a step backwards, and as a developing nation, altercations that could be detrimental to Jordan would have to be avoided. Jordan is one of the most developed Middle Eastern countries despite the fact that they lack a stable source for water.

Topic 2: Future of Foods

The future of foods is definitely at risk in developing countries. By 2050, the global population is estimated to increase by 2 billion, which means that agriculture must increase production by 60% to compensate for the amount of people. Developing countries may lack the substantial resources necessary to increase the production to this extent and will struggle at meeting the demands of the people. It will create an epidemic that will lead to poverty, unsanitary conditions and no balance to a healthy lifestyle. Climate change also contributes to this and puts developing countries at a higher risk.

Jordan may have a disadvantage by not having a stable agriculture, but receives a great amount of money based on their exports. They have a high export amount of phosphate and potash, which increase the possibilities of Jordan signing a free trade agreement with other nations. This will benefit Jordan as it will acquire assets it was not exposed to, but through its agreement it

will be given the resources it needs to supply to its people. Jordan has an extremely trustworthy government, giving people faith that Jordan will assure that its people receive all necessities. Jordan also has created projects that will try to adapt to a clean energy expansion and renewable energy to fight against climate change. Climate change makes it challenging for Jordan to attain a stable agricultural system but Jordan proceeds in ensuring that it will try to accomplish this.

Furthermore, through free trade agreements, there a high possibility that through funding and awareness that developed nations could provide the technology necessary to have a sustainable agriculture for developing countries who need to supply food to their people but fall short in acquiring it. These free trade agreement will create an interconnection between many nations, allowing Jordan to receive more commodities that it lacks in. The interconnection will allow to have a prosperous trading system in which Jordan can use to develop its nation. By providing technology to developing countries to stimulate their agriculture, a law can be passed where developing countries would have to conduct research biannually on the increase of production and how beneficial it is.

Topic 3: Labour Migration & Illegal Trafficking in the Asia-Pacific

Labour migration is when someone moves from one country to another, seeking employment. Migrant workers are beneficial to help for the growth of the economy. They maximize positive effects by allowing people with the right skill sets to tackle a specific task of their choice.

Jordan fights strongly for equality, meaning a man and woman can receive the same job and shows no discrimination against the other. Their Constitution signed in 1952 states that all Jordanians will be equal before the law. Furthermore, Jordan signed a free trade agreement with Canada in 2009, and they entered into force in late 2012, promising they would meet the standards of their migrant workers and give them the same treatment. The work to strengthen labour rights and protect and enforce basic workers rights. This agreement made between them makes it a much safer environment for labour workers who migrate to Jordan. This demonstrates that Jordan shows much care for its migrant workers and understands their potential. Jordan

progresses in the right direction by assuring that equality is spread among the nation and people are granted their freedoms.

It is more than likely there will not be a backlash from the people by introducing certain policies as they are a nation that provides equality, and has more pressing matters to dwell on as opposed to migrant workers. Jordan realizes that migrant workers stimulate its economic growth but without the installation of programs and awareness to creating a stable water source, it will fail as a nation. Furthermore, a top down policy would be more efficient as it would be instilled in the nation and could avoid corruption. It allows for a more structured nation to prosper and grants equality to all workers. To receive the right people for certain tasks, it would be smart for Jordan to implement a recruitment program and grant labour workers accommodations and show them how great of a nation Jordan is, which will allow to attract more people to migrate to the country.

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