

**GS-II Issues relating to Poverty and Hunger.**

- 1. Explain the various causes for the High Prevalence of Malnutrition in India. Discuss the Various Initiatives taken by the Government to address the Malnutrition Problem.**

**Why this Question?**

- Malnutrition and their impacts.

**Key Demands of Question:**

- Various causes for the malnutrition in India and their impacts and various initiatives taken by the government to address the problem.

**Directive word:**

**Discuss:**

- This is another common directive which is an all-encompassing one – you have to debate on paper by going through the details of the issues concerned by examining each one of them. You have to give reasons for both for and against arguments. And once all the discussion is done, a suitable apt conclusion may be given at the end of the answer.

**Structure of Answer:**

**Introduction:**

- Give some statistics about the prevalence of malnutrition in India and the importance to address it Immediately.

**Body:**

- Explain the various causes for the high prevalence of malnutrition in India. Bring out the different factors like Economic, Social, Gender, Political, Etc.
- Bring out the impacts of malnutrition on social sector like Health, education, etc.
- Mention how the malnutrition contributes loss of the economic gains of the country. For example inadequate skilled manpower.
- Mention the government initiatives to tackle malnutrition. Example like Poshyan Abhiyaan, etc.

**Conclusion:**

- Conclude with the way forward measures to tackle the malnutrition like crop diversification, dietary pattern according to the Agro climatic zones, etc.