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**GS-III Indian Economy and Issues Relating to Planning, Mobilization of Resources, Growth, Development and Employment**

- 1. Discuss the likely impact of the pandemics on Agricultural Income and also provide Way Forward Measures to reduce the Rural Distress During Pandemics.**

**Why this Question?**

- Impact of pandemics on the agricultural income.

**Key Demands of Question:**

- Discuss the likely impact of pandemics on the agricultural income and also discuss the way Forward Measures to reduce the distress in the Rural Areas.

**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 brief intro about the current pandemic crisis.

**Body:**

- Discuss the likely impact of pandemics on the agricultural income. For example, breakdown of supply chains, absence of labourers during Harvesting and Post Harvesting, decline of Prices, etc.
- Discuss the way forward measures to reduce the distress in the rural areas like providing free PDS, Income Transfers, Etc.
- Highlight the government measures taken in this Regard.

**Conclusion:**

- Conclude with the limitations of the government measures and further steps taken by the Government.