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DS 100: DEVELOPMENT PERSPECTIVES
PRESENTATION TOPICS
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1. Discuss the relevance of modernization theories in explaining and solving the development problems of developing countries.
2. "Marxist theories are claimed to be viable alternatives of the bourgeois theories in identifying the causes underdevelopment in the global South as well as suggesting relevant solutions." Discuss.
3. "Rostow's five stages of economic growth model and Ragnar Nurkse's vicious circle of poverty offer less in addressing development challenges of the Global South." Critically evaluate.
4. Citing relevant examples, critically assess the relevance of assumptions and policy prescriptions of dependency theories in addressing the development challenges of developing countries.
5. "Democratic governance and development are inseparable elements." Argue for or against the statement.
6. With vivid examples from Tanzania, explain the differences and similarities between processes and forms of decentralization that evolved in Tanzania.
7. Assess the extent to which Tanzania has succeeded in mainstreaming gender in education and public leadership.
8. Critically explain with examples from your society how key social institutions are responsible for constructing gender equality or inequalities.
9. Despite Tanzania making efforts to end gender-based violence (GBV), the incidents of violence against women and children have been rampant as indicated in the *Crimes and Traffic Incidents Statistics Report of 2020*. As DS students what is your take on a such situation and what should be done to end GBV?
10. Discuss the progress of Tanzania in realizing Sustainable Development Goal 5.
11. "Embezzlement of public funds is among the biggest challenges to sustainable development despite public servants, civil servants and leaders taking ethical oaths of upholding ethical values and putting the national interest first." Discuss the causes of such phenomena and propose possible measures to revive ethical integrity.
12. Analyse the key qualities of an ethical public leader while citing examples of the often practices in your society.
13. "In order to realise sustainable development in all dimensions a nation must cultivate the culture of responsible citizenship." Discuss