

Poverty Reduction and Beyond

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Question 2

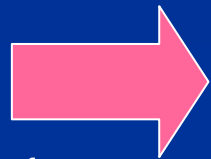
- How should the approaches be augmented or modified?

One Important “Discovery” (1)

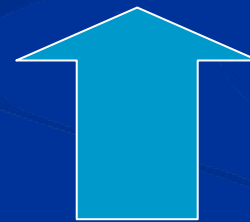
- “In any developmental activities it is the **people** that should always be placed at the center of concern.”

One Important “Discovery” (2)

“Trickle-
down”
Approach



“People-
Centered”
Approach



Human Security

“People-Centered” Approach

Addresses the needs of the people

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Support to the governmental sector
(central or local)

EDUCATION



Niger / School for All



Access to Safe Water



Senegal / Water
Management Committee

Advantages:

- Real needs of the people can be identified (by the people themselves)
- People will become more self-reliant
- “Planners” will come to know the needs/problems of the people.
- Feedback and evaluation become easier
(?)

This model is not new.

- Livelihood improvement movement esp. after WWII.

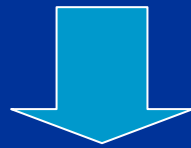


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To get back to the Question

How should the aid approaches be augmented or modified?



- Answer: Development (Assistance) concept should be modified in such a way that “**the people**” are always placed at the center of concern.

Other issues

- Free market & entrepreneurship
- Role of aid
- Aid coordination
- Result-based management
- Human rights, social and political dimensions of development