

## IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

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The widening gap in the material-standards of living between the developed and developing countries may unduly discourage us about improving the quality of life for all. But an analysis of the composition of the goods produced in developed countries shows that a good portion is not so essential and sometimes hinders the improvement in the quality of life. The ethos of competition and rivalry, motivated chiefly by greed and envy and dominant-dependent relationships promoting power rivalries have caused economic growth of partially doubtful value. This ethos have been questioned and challenged. A society motivated mainly by love, compassion, cooperation and service aiming at greater equality, freedom and justice for more and more people can pioneer a new quality of life for all where the essential necessities and a high and improving quality of life with widening scope for creative activities is provided to all and contribute to the achievement of a more stable, peaceful and prosperous world.

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## CHANGING TECHNOLOGY IN AGRICULTURE AND PRODUCTIVITY IN THE PEASANT COLONISATION SCHEMES OF THE DRY ZONE

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This paper will attempt to survey the changes in technology of paddy cultivation and their effects on productivity in certain selected colonisation schemes. The study has been based on field work and the data is in respect of three periods of time: 1958/59, 1967/68 and 1972/73 agricultural years.