

## Life an Indian Village

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Essay No. 01

**“God made the country man made the town.”**

India lives in villages. It is here that our first forefathers lived. The village life has many charms. There are plenty of trees, fresh air and a lot of greenery. We can breathe in fresh air to our heart's content. The villages abound in natural greenery. We can breathe in fresh air to our heart's content. The villages abound in natural greenery. In the village, life is very peaceful, calm and quiet. The villagers have all the time at their disposal. On the other hand, the people living in cities are always in a hurry. They have no time to stand and stare at beautiful things or places. More so, people living in villages are simple in their ways and honest in their dealings. They lead a healthy and contented life. They live in the lap of nature. People enjoy themselves in the villages. Some sit in the shade of trees and gossip. Some sit at their tube wells and while away their time in leisure and pleasure. They are really innocent and simple-minded people. They have no craze for fashions. They do not run after the “cut” and the “latest style”. Village girls dance and sing folk songs. In short, villagers lead a happy, noble and virtuous life away from the dust and noise of the cities. It is a pity that the evils of the city life like hypocrisy, flattery, artificiality and cut-throat competition are fast entering the villages. All efforts must be made to retain the native character of village life. Let us hope that the purity and innocence of village life is not swept away by the air of materialism.

Essay No. 02

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Villages all over India are the same. They are full of grey mud-built houses. There are fine buildings in some villages. But there is no attempt at drainage. The village pond is a busy place, where children swim. There are one or two shops where the shopkeeper sits and sells different things.

People live a clothes and hard life. The villagers wear thick and strong clothes, and the women too wear cheap clothes. The villager works hard from morning till night. After his early morning breakfast, he goes to the fields with his bullocks. The women of the house do the cooking and then join their men in their work.

The villager is always with his ‘hukka’. It is seldom out of his hand. In the cool hours of the evening people assemble at the ‘chopal’. Here they talk about money-lender, a petty village scandle of exchange ideas about the market conditions. But people

take much interest when they talk of marriage function or a quarrel among villagers.

A marriage is a solemn and very costly affair. The parties do not mind spending lavishly over it. The 'Sahukar' likes the marriage, as it leads to an increase of his customers. A village quarrel is a very strange affair. People like to fight and there is no dearth of people who make people fight. People quarrel over their lands. At times there is a murder. This leads to litigation. Some of the villagers are not really very peaceful. There are robberies attended with violence. But the children have an interesting time. They are always care free. And there is always plenty of dust and plenty of time. They can lie in the mud or tramp about on the fields. Some of them, however attend the village school. The school-master imparts all the learning that he has. He is respected by the villagers.

Life in villages is not very fine. People lead a simple life because they are poor. They are superstitious and ignorant. Thus, there is much room for improvements. It is pleasing to note that the village Panchayats the Co-operative Banks, the Post Office and the school are now doing a good service in the villages. The Blocks have brought a new thinking to the conservative farmers. They have taken to the Green Revolution and producing a lot and so taking to better things in life. It is hoped that the conditions of our villages will improve soon.