

Composition on The Necessity of Canal Digging in Bangladesh

Question: Write a composition on, 'the Necessity of Canal Digging in Bangladesh'.

Or, write a composition that expresses your opinion about The Necessity of Canal Digging in Bangladesh.

Answer: The digging of canals is very essential for us to supply water for irrigation. Without irrigation, we can never think of achieving self-sufficiency in food. Irrigation can only ensure the increase of food production to meet the demand of increasing population. Irrigation cannot be successful without sufficient supply of water. But irrigation programmes are started in the dry season when the rain is very scarce and the water of rivers and canals dry up.

Bangladesh is a delta. Most of the rivers carry silt from the upstream from time immemorial. As a result, most of the rivers have become over silted. Heavy rainfall during the rainy season causes the rivers to overflow their banks. The rise of water crosses danger level and there is flood almost every year in Bangladesh. This causes heavy damage to crops in Bangladesh.

Today irrigation is essential for our agriculture. In the primitive age, men chose moist land for cultivation. But with the increase in population moist land has become scarce and less available. So, farmers have begun to irrigate dry land for cultivation. They make efforts to make dry land moist by supplying water from canals, rivers or ditches. In this way, the irrigation system has come into use.

Two main sources of water can be helpful for the success of our irrigation. These are water from rivers and water from canals. But as

a matter of fact, because of our rivers being silted, the alternative source of water is the canal. Under this circumstance. Bangladesh should exploit the source of water from digging and re-excavating the canals for the overall success of her irrigation.

The government has decided to produce maximum crops during the dry season from November to April. The period is very dry. There is a scarcity of rains at that time. The best way to solve this problem is to make an intensive programme of canal digging.

The northern part of Bangladesh is very dry due to the building of Farakka Barrage and lack of proper share of water from the Ganges. As such, the government machinery has concentrated its major attention on this part. The Agriculture Department has taken special care to use fertilizers, insecticides and proper use of water from canal digging for irrigation.

We must make the canal digging programme a success at any cost for our existence. Otherwise, we will not be able to increase our food production and achieve self-sufficiency in food.