

Sustainable Development and Inclusive Growth, and Future Pathways after Abrogation of Article 370

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ABSTRACT

What has been the form of development and inclusive growth in Jammu & Kashmir after the abrogation of Article 370? This research paper is a beautiful example of this. Under this, we will get to know about the development and government schemes after abrogation of Article 370 from Jammu & Kashmir and the reduction of terrorism and the all-round development of various centre government policies. The kind of changes that has taken place in the living environment in Jammu & Kashmir after the abrogation of Article 370. The main focus of this research paper is on the entire state. After the abrogation of Article 370 of Jammu & Kashmir, its special status has been abolished. And it is now an internal part of India. All the laws made by the Indian Parliament will now be equally applicable to Jammu & Kashmir like other states of India. This research paper is showing "What development took place in Jammu & Kashmir after the abolition of Article 370?" This is showing the form of progressive development.

Keywords: Sustainable Development Growth, pathways, abrogation, Article 370, future, Jammu & Kashmir, government, policies.

INTRODUCTION

The most important among princely states that joined the Indian Union is the princely states of Jammu & Kashmir. It was the largest princely state of Colonial India, with an area of more than two lakh square kilometers. J&K mainly had five regions. Jammu, which is adjacent to Punjab & is Hindu-dominated. Kashmir Valley, which is North of Jammu and is Muslim-dominated. To the east of Kashmir Valley is the mountains region of Ladakh, whose borders meet Tibet. Most of people here are Buddhists. To its west is Gilgit and Baltistan, which have a very low population, where Shia muslims live. Similarly, the borders of the state J&K meet Afghanistan, China, Tibet and Xinjiang. Only a thin strip of Afghanistan separated it from the then Soviet Union.

History was made twice on 5th August, 2019. The first time was when Article 370 abolished (so Article 35A under it has been abolished). On the same day history was made for the second time with the proposal to divide J&K and bring it under the Rule of the Centre. With this proposal becoming a law, J&K will become a Union Territory like Delhi, which will have its own legislature. On the other hand, Ladakh will also be a Union Territory, which will be directly ruled by the Centre. What is the inclusive growth and development of different sectors abrogation of Article 370 like, health, education, tourism, employment, agriculture and reduction of terrorism. This research paper find the inclusive Economic and Social progress: as of July 2024, 6909 industrial investment proposals have been received. Rs 304.51 crores has been sanctioned for setting up seven new industrial complexes. High profit investor include cricket legend Muttiah Muralitharan's Ceylon Beverages and Dubai's Emaar Group.

About 70% of J&K's economy is based on agricultural, hence extensive planning and investments are being made to enhance agricultural efficiency, production, productivity and profitability. The govt. has launched an ambitious, sensor-based smart agricultural project in 2023 with an initial investment of Rs 30.40 crore.

Growth in tourism (2 crore tourist arrivals):- After the abrogation of Article 370, J&K has witnessed an extraordinary growth in the tourism, which is vital for the economic and social development of the state. This is an important milestone. More than 2 crore tourists arrived here during 2022 and 2023, which is largest number ever and it is symbol of the changing image of the state. The Central Govt. has made extensive improvements in infrastructure to promote tourism, including expansion of airports and roads, better traffic system and ensuring smooth access to tourist destinations. Due to these changes, the tourism sector of J&K has now become more attractive and accessible, due to which tourists from India and abroad are coming here.

Panchayati Raj System got revival in J&K:- After the abolition of Article 370, the Panchayati Raj System has been revived. Democracy is getting stronger at the grassroots level. In October 2022, the Jammu & Kashmir Panchayati Raj Act was amended to create District Development Councils. The BDC elections saw a record 98.30% voting without any violence. Panchayat elections were hold for the first time and more than 32,000 Panchs and Sarpanchs were elected. In the last two years, development worth Rs 1000 crores has been done through local bodies by the elected Sarpanchs

2.03 lakh people got employment under self-employment schemes:- The Prime Minister Development Package 2015 worth about Rs 80,000 crore has accelerated development in J&K. More than 20 development projects have been completed. Work is underway on the remaining projects. Revolutionary initiatives have been taken in the field of health in the Union Territory. Approval has been given to open two AIIMS in J&K. 2.03 lakh youth got employment under the self-employment scheme.

Decrease in stone pelting and terrorist incidents in J&K:- After the Abolition of Article 370, stone pelting and terrorist incidents have reduced. There has been 94% reduction in stone pelting incidents. There has been a 68% reduction in stone pelting incidents, 82% in civilian deaths and 56% in deaths of Security Forces. There were 900 terrorist incidents between August 5, 2019 and August 4, 2022, 174 soldiers were martyred and 110 civilians died in 617 terrorist incidents. The NIA has achieved a lot of success in dismantling the terrorist network.

CONCLUSION

After Abrogation of Article 370 on 5th August 2019, some changes have been seen in J&K, which is paving the way for the future in the form of inclusive development and cluster development in J&K. Now J&K is an integral part of India. Now all the decisions of Parliament will be equally applicable in J&K. In these years positives are visible with development-oriented goals. After the abrogation of Article 370, lights has been shed on its positive initiatives like positive stability, investment opportunities, increase in economic and sustainable development, efforts, improvement in Panchayati Raj System, employment schemes, reduction in stone pelting and violent incidents. J&K is also seen growing with the Country like other state of India.

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