

DISILLUSIONMENT, DISSONANCE AND ENTROPY AMIDST INDIAN AGRICULTURE: THE REFLECTION AND REFRACTION

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ABSTRACT

According to primer and various propositions, the farmers and the farm economy of India have adequate reasons to be called fatigued and disillusioned. A scenario where more than 2.5 lakh farmers committed suicide, outnumbering the count of people killed in any big war between nations. Even in this situation, we remained fearsome to observationally substantiate that it was another fight against humanity, whereby those travailing hard to guaranty food security for a nation have become victim to ruthless insecurity and devastated their own lives. The stress, chaos, entropy, and the dissonance being inflicted into the psychology of farmers in India have seldom been researched from an ecological point of view. If a farmer has to spin constantly under stress, no NPK can reach the field to attain the golden harvest. The study was conducted at Fingtore village of Labpur Block, in Birbhum district of West Bengal. It includes a dependent variable, i.e. disillusionment (Y1), which was foretold using a set of 19 exogenous variables. In total, 130 respondents were selected through both purposive and random sampling approaches to ultimately deduce and evoke their behavioural attributes in defining the disillusionment. Some self-evident clarification suggest that haphazard income from agriculture, whims of market response, dishonour of agricultural job condition in an open-air and crude exposure to harsh weather parameters, transformation of risks into threats are hindering agriculture from becoming a profitable venture and remunerative pursuits. The emergence of off-farm economy as well as economically viable service sectors have gone miles to refute the so-called profitability of agriculture over other rural livelihood options. Even under good weather and with splendid technological support to potato growers, and of course for a resultant record production of potato, the farmers were thrown into an extreme entropy [AQ: Please check the use of the word “entropy” for clarity and correctness in this context and edit as necessary here as well as in the article title and throughout its occurrence in the article.] due to market failure, and in worst cases some of them committed suicide. Sometimes good harvests bring more misery to growers, leading to an inharmonious situation. To understand the factor contributing to social disorder, before adding to a new order into the same system, it is necessary that new age extension research should throw light on system rather than simply on adoption research.

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