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Land Reforms

Gandhian philosophy on Land Reforms –

Land belongs to those who labours on it.

Land is a State Subject (State List of Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India)

Land Reforms Programme – Special attention to

- remove defective agrarian structure
- eliminate exploitation and social injustice

Types of Land Intermediaries

- Zamindari Tenure
- Mahalwari Tenure
- Ryotwari Tenure

Principles of Agrarian Reform Committee (1948)

- Agrarian society should develop farmers personality.
- There should have no scope for class exploitation.
- Ensure maximum efficiency of agricultural production.
- Scheme for reforms should be practicable.

Tenancy Reforms – An Introduction

- Extent of Tenancy
- Measure of Surplus Lands
- Regulation of Rents
- Voluntary Surrender of Land
- Legal Protection of Tenants
- Minimizing Land Disputes
- Rights of Ownership