**GP Skill Development Workshop**

Practice – Structural Development

Illustration for Structural Development

Title of question:

**Consider the view that we do not take enough responsibility for our own well-being. (GCE A level -2017)**

**1. Analysis of the question**

**1.1 Identify the subjects in the title and its meaning.**

We – the people in our society

Enough responsibility – put in effort to do all these things.

Our own well-being – areas of life that promotes our interest or areas of our development in life that brings about benefits or care for our lives.

**How do we observe the areas of well-being? (category)**

Based on the category of discussion, we need to create the scope that determines our areas of discussion that state the well-being of our life. In this question, the areas would include economic, health, psychological, social and crime.

**1.2 Draw out the implications from the words stated in the title.**

(eg: can, should, rather than and others)

Point 1:

It is imperative to address word – ‘enough’ as it determines the relevancy of discussion in the respective paragraph.

If the effort is enough, it can fulfil the responsibility of work that we need to do to take care of our well-being.

If the effort is not enough, it cannot fulfil the responsibility of the work that we need to do to take care of our well-being.

Point 2:

The word ‘responsibility’ is also helpful in determining the areas of work we need to do and may not do due to our inabilities, circumstances and constraints.

**1.3 Imply the yardstick for comparison on words like ‘better lives’, ‘difficult’**

**2. Derive the structure of the essay – DYA or extent of Agreement type of question**

**2.1 Derive a good argument for DYA type of question**

**2.1.1 Balance**

Step 1 – set perspectives

Thesis – we do not take enough responsibility to take care of our well-being

Anti-thesis – we take enough responsibility to take care of our wellbeing

Step 2 – set the structure of writing

Stand – thesis (we do not take enough care)

Opposing view – we do not take care

Rebuttal -prove why the opposing view is wrong

Supporting view give reason why we do not take care.

Step 3 - Category of discussion:

Opposing view:

i. Cat A – Economics (opposing view)

 Point – we have to fulfil our financial responsibility to give ourselves and or family a reasonable and comfortable life.

Rebuttal: we fail to save enough for other major needs in life – retirement

EG – the government has set up CPF retirement scheme – they are not confident that people take full responsibility in their lives

ii. Cat B – Social – supporting view 1

 Point -

iii. Supporting view 2

Cat C – psychological

Point

iv. Supporting view 3

Cat D – health

Point

v. Supporting view 4

Cat E – crime

Point

Points to take Note:

Consider the view that we do not take enough responsibility for our own well-being. (GCE A level -2017)