

## 'People are too reliant on the government.' Is this true of your society?

Examine the assertion that people are too dependent on the government to solve their problems.

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### Student Answer

#### 1) Topic Sentence

Agree with the question perspective - explain why people are too dependent on the government - make sure that you provide the conceptualised

#### Answer

People are too reliant on the government in my society as the government is deemed to be competent enough to solve economic crisis which make people think that the government has the ability to solve problems easily.

#### 2) Elaboration

Explain how the main idea stated in the topic sentence relates to the idea that people are heavily-reliant on the government - ensure that you have a clear, systematic and logical process explanation.

#### Answer

Singapore has been very effective in solving many issues that has arose very effectively, like Asian Currency Crisis, where the government successfully brought Singapore out of it. These accumulated successes have brought about a 'snowball effect' causing Singaporeans to naturally think that Singapore is very much capable of solving arising problems resulting in them to become more and more over-reliant.

#### 3) Example

Provide an illustration to show why the people are heavily reliant on the government - provide any relevant examples, statistics or news-related observations.

#### Answer

For instance, The Straits Times published an article recently named 'Singaporeans' over-reliance on

Government debated at conference on country's future'. In this article, it is mentioned that people in Singapore have built a very high confidence on the government as they provide good and feasible solutions to any problem that arises.

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#### 4) Concluding Sentence

Wrap up the discussion by reiterating your view to agree with the question perspective.

##### **Answer**

Therefore, Singaporeans are too reliant on the government as they are deemed to be able to solve any issue.

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#### **Tutor Answer**

##### 1) Topic Sentence

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##### **Answer**

From an educational standpoint, people are arguably too reliant on the government as the grade-obsessed society is shaped by the state-guided educational pathways for career pursuits.

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##### 2) Elaboration

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##### **Answer**

In order for the country to be economically competitive, the government identifies and nurtures emerging industries that are potentially viable. As such, individuals are motivated to undergo educational development in these fields, with the expectation that their dependence on the government's direction would yield significant financial benefits.

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For example, in the early 2000s, the Singapore government announced the establishment of the Biopolis, which was envisioned as a research and development hub for biomedical sciences. As the government

identified it as the next promising area of growth, many individuals flocked to take up tertiary and diploma studies relating to this scientific field.

Similarly, after the Singapore government announced the official launch of the 'Smart Nation' initiative in November 2014, many students pursued courses, like computer science, to hop on the bandwagon. Besides the graduate employment survey pointed out that fresh graduates from local universities that studied computing science programme commanded a high salary that was on par with popular courses, like law and medicine.

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#### 4) Concluding Sentence

Wrap up the discussion by reiterating your view to agree with the question perspective.

#### **Answer**

Hence, it is evident that the people are reliant on the government to advance their educational development due to the popular notion that pursuing further education in promising industries would be beneficial to their career progression.

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