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Preface

The journey of the book, “**Poverty, Inequality, and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): An Indian Perspective**” has been both challenging and deeply rewarding. Scholars deeply invested in understanding the socioeconomic fabrics of India, this work is a culmination of research, observations, and experiences over the years.

The primary motivation for this book stems from the belief in the transformative power of knowledge and the urgent need to address pressing global challenges. India, with its vast population and diverse socio-economic landscape, presents unique challenges and opportunities in the pursuit of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). This book aims to explore these complexities and offer insights into the pathways toward achieving a more equitable and sustainable future.

This book is structured to provide a comprehensive overview of poverty and inequality within the Indian context and the role of SDGs in addressing these issues. It begins with an analysis of the historical and contemporary landscape of poverty and inequality in India, followed by an examination of specific SDGs and their relevance to the Indian scenario. The final sections offer policy recommendations and strategies for achieving these goals, drawing on successful case studies and best practices.

I hope this book serves as a valuable resource for scholars, policymakers, and anyone interested in the critical issues of poverty, inequality, and sustainable development. By shedding light on these challenges and proposing actionable solutions, I aspire to contribute to the ongoing efforts to create a more just and sustainable world.

Thank you for embarking on this journey with me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tahir Hussain Ansari

Abbreviations

APMC	:	Agricultural Produce Market Committee
BPL	:	Below Poverty Line
CA	:	Conservation Agriculture
CT	:	Conservation Tillage
FAO	:	Food and Agriculture Organization
GVA	:	Gross Value Added
IFC	:	International Finance Corporation
IHD	:	Institute for Human Development
ILO	:	International Labour Organization
KCC	:	Kisan Credit Card
LL	:	Lakdawala Lines
MFIs	:	Microfinance Institutions
MGNREGA	:	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act
Mha	:	Million Hectares
NCF	:	National Commission on Farmers
NFSA	:	National Food Security Act
NMSA	:	National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture
NSSO	:	National Sample Survey Organization
NT	:	No-Till
PKVY	:	Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana
PMFBY	:	Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana
PM-KISAN	:	PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana
PMKSY	:	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sichayee Yojana
RBI	:	Reserve Bank of India
SDGs	:	Sustainable Development Goals
SEWA	:	Gujarat Self-Employed Women's Association
SHG-BLP	:	Self Help Group Bank Linkage Programme
TL	:	Tendulkar Line

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