

1. What is poverty and why do you care about it?
2. How poverty is constructed is experiential ... (the standpoint you occupy), but our knowledge comes with empathy. Empathy is necessary for knowledge production
3. Poverty is not a given condition; it is socially constructed and reproduced from one generation to the other
4. It is a power relation.
5. It is the product of intersecting inequalities and power relations of class, gender, race and imperial relations. These power relations correspond to ownership and control of all kinds of property and assets (financial assets, land, capital, knowledge and knowledge claims - e.g. medicine and indigenous knowledge --- knowledge as intellectual property)
6. If there are poor people, that is because there are privileged people who not only have assets, but also because they appropriate in many ways whatever little the poor people have (e.g. knowledge extraction, labor

extraction from women by men in the HH through the use of violence or threat of violence or exchange)

8. In fact, the condition of poverty is violence it is structural violence and poverty produces violence over distribution ... I do not romanticize people living in conditions of poverty.

9. But then, everyone is in one sense everyone living with poverty. No one is innocent and therefore, we are all responsible for its reproduction and elimination

10. Historically, many spiritual and religious systems were cognizant of poverty

Moral and ethical belief systems always take poverty into account,

11. Through the onset of capitalism, the dispossession became systematic and took a different form (primitive accumulation)

12. But there came a point in history where it became possible to separate the moral imperatives from the way economic relations are understood (neoclassical economics) through the distinction between positive and normative economics.

13. Then through the construction of the welfare state in the North and it became the responsibility of the state to mediate this structural violence

14. Either capitalism is negated through violence and revolution or we have enlightened capitalism where the state becomes the distributor to ameliorate the structural violence

15. Citizenship as ENTITLEMENTS and NOT PRIVILEGES OR A SPECIAL TREATMENT. IT IS NOT ABOUT CHARITY. There is a structural component of capitalism, which disables people to live decent lives. Rights have to be understood as ENTITLEMENTS.

16. Group rights and Macroeconomics of entitlements (vs. the HD approach)

16. Poverty as income poverty, but income poverty is the
MANIFESTATION OF THE THESE PROCESSES that produces poverty.
It tells us nothing about how poverty is reproduced. (cash transfer versus
right to work)

Now over to Sanjay

Income poverty