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The Price of Poverty Duke University Press

It is common knowledge that, in rich societies, the poor have worse health and suffer more from almost every social problem. This book explains

why inequality is the most serious problem societies face today.

Peasant Poverty and Persistence in the Twenty-First Century

University Press of Florida

In 2011 the World Bank—with funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates

Foundation—launched the Global Findex database, the world's most comprehensive data set on how adults save, borrow, make payments, and manage risk. Drawing on survey data collected in collaboration

with Gallup, Inc., the Global Findex database covers more than 140 economies around the world. The initial survey round was followed by a second one in 2014 and by a third in 2017. Compiled using nationally representative surveys of more than 150,000 adults age 15 and above in over 140 economies, The Global Findex Database 2017: Measuring Financial Inclusion and the Fintech Revolution includes updated indicators on access to and use of formal and informal financial services. It has additional data on the use of financial technology (or fintech), including the use of mobile phones and the Internet to conduct financial transactions. The data reveal opportunities to expand access to financial services among people who do not have an account—the unbanked—as well as to promote greater use of digital financial services among those who do have an account. The

Global Findex database has become a mainstay of global efforts to promote financial inclusion. In addition to being widely cited by scholars and development practitioners, Global Findex data are used to track progress toward the World Bank goal of Universal Financial Access by 2020 and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. The database, the full text of the report, and the underlying country-level data for all figures—along with the questionnaire, the survey methodology, and other relevant materials—are available at www.worldbank.org/globalfindex.

Social Protection in Africa Zed Books Ltd.

“ Offers a new interpretation of the war on poverty by demonstrating the centrality of moderate local leadership (both white and black) in launching and operating antipoverty programs. ” —Marisa Chappell, author of *The War on Welfare:*

Family, Poverty, and Politics in Modern America “ Hawkins has done a remarkable job of mining the sources and reconstructing the reality of what was going on in eastern North Carolina. ” —Frank Stricker, author of *Why America Lost the War on Poverty—And How to Win It* While many scholars have argued that confrontation and protest were the most effective ways for the poor to empower themselves during the social change of the 1960s, Karen Hawkins demonstrates that moderate leadership and biracial cooperation were sometimes just as forceful. Everybody ’ s Problem shows these values at play in the nation ’ s first rural-based Community Action Agency to receive federal funding as a part of Lyndon B. Johnson ’ s War on Poverty. Hawkins describes the founding of Craven Operation Progress in one of the poorest regions of North Carolina. She discusses the philosophies and tactics of its directors and outlines the tensions that arose between local leadership and federal control.

Using previously untapped primary sources, including oral interviews with antipoverty workers and local citizens, records from the U.S. Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, and documents from the North Carolina Fund, Hawkins adds to the story of the factors that helped lower poverty rates and advance economic development during the 1960s and beyond. A volume in the series *Southern Dissent*, edited by Stanley Harrold and Randall M. Miller

Moving Out of Poverty

World Bank Publications

There is no peace with hunger. Only promises and promises and no fulfillment. If there is no job, there is no peace. If there is nothing to cook in the pot, there is no peace. - Oscar, a 57-year-old man, El Gorri n, Colombia They want to construct their houses near the road, and they cannot do that if they do not have peace with their enemies. So peace and the road

have developed a symbiotic relation. One cannot live without the other. . . . - A community leader from a conflict-affected community on the island of Mindanao, Philippines Most conflict studies focus on the national level, but this volume focuses on the community level. It explores how communities experience and recover from violent conflict, and the surprising opportunities that can emerge for poor people to move out of poverty in these harsh contexts. 'Rising from the Ashes of Conflict' reveals how poor people s mobility is shaped by local democracy, people s associations, aid strategies, and the local economic environment in over 100 communities in seven conflict-affected countries, including Afghanistan. The findings suggest the need to rethink

postconflict development assistance. This is the fourth volume in a series derived from the Moving Out of Poverty study, which explores mobility from the perspectives of poor people in more than 500 communities across 15 countries.

Progress and Poverty
Univ of California Press

Urban areas in the Global South now house most of the world's urban population and are projected to house almost all its increase between now and 2030. There is a growing recognition that the scale of urban poverty has been overlooked - and that it is increasing both in numbers and in the proportion of the world's poor population that live and work in urban areas. This is the

first book to review the effectiveness of different approaches to reducing urban poverty in the Global South. It describes and discusses the different ways in which national and local governments, international agencies and civil society organizations are seeking to reduce urban poverty. Different approaches are explored, for instance; market approaches, welfare, rights-based approaches and technical/professional support. The book also considers the roles of clientelism and of social movements. Case studies illustrate different approaches and explore their effectiveness. *Reducing Urban Poverty in the Global South* also analyses the

poverty reduction strategies developed by organized low-income groups especially those living in informal settlements. It explains how they and the federations or networks they have formed have demonstrated new approaches that have challenged adverse political relations and negotiated more effective support. Local and national governments and international agencies can become far more effective at addressing urban poverty at scale by, as is proposed in this book, working with and supporting the urban poor and their organizations. This book will be an invaluable resource for researchers and postgraduate students

in urban development, poverty reduction, urban geography, and for practitioners and organisations working in urban development programmes in the Global South.

Poorly Understood

World Bank

Publications

"Masterful

scholarship--detailed,

insightful, and

original. Dohan

investigates the role

that immigration plays

in understanding

Latino poverty in the

United States. He also

provides a nuanced and

detailed analysis of

neighborhood factors

that help us better

understand Latino

poverty and how Latino

residents navigate the

world of low-skill

work, resources, and

life in the

barrio."--Abel

Valenzuela Jr., co-

editor of Prismatic

Metropolis: Inequality

in Los Angeles "A very

timely study. At a

time when the Latino

population is rapidly

growing in the U.S.,

Dohan provides us with

one of the best and

most poignant studies

of the Mexican

American Barrio. Based

on rich data collected

in two poor Mexican-

American

neighborhoods, this

thoughtful and

interesting book will

draw a lot of

attention both inside

and outside of

academia."--William

Julius Wilson, author

of When Work

Disappears "With

Dohan's book, we

finally receive an in-

depth understanding of

the nuances of life

inside the urban,

often poor and working-

class, Mexican-

American communities.

Urban ethnographic

scholarship on the poor, dominated too long by the African-American experience for its questions, concerns and voices, now finally has a corrective and a complementary text."—Sudhir Venkatesh, author of *American Project: The Rise and Fall of a Modern Ghetto*

Monitoring Global Poverty Policy Press

Offers a look at the causes and effects of poverty and inequality, as well as the possible solutions. This title features research, human stories, statistics, and compelling arguments. It discusses about the

world we live in and how we can make it a better place.

Hand to Mouth OUP
Oxford

Abramsky shows how poverty - a massive political scandal - is dramatically changing in the wake of the Great Recession.

The Whiteness of Wealth University of California Press

Encountering Poverty challenges mainstream frameworks of global poverty by going beyond the claims that poverty is a problem that can be solved through economic resources or technological interventions. By focusing on the power and privilege that underpin persistent

impoverishment and completely wrong? Few using tools of topics have as many critical analysis and myths, stereotypes, pedagogy, the authors and misperceptions explore the surrounding them as opportunities for and that of poverty in limits of poverty America. The poor action in the current have been badly moment. Encountering misunderstood since Poverty invites the beginnings of the students, educators, country, with the activists, and rhetoric only development ratcheting up in professionals to recent times. Our think about and act current era of fake against inequality by news, alternative foregrounding, rather facts, and media than sidestepping, partisanship has led the long history of to a breeding ground development and the for all types of ethical dilemmas of myths and poverty action today. misinformation to **Poverty** Springer gain traction and What if the legitimacy. Poorly idealized image of Understood is the American society—a first book to land of opportunity systematically that will reward address and confront hard work with many of the most economic success—is widespread myths

pertaining to poverty. Mark Robert Rank, Lawrence M. Eppard, and Heather E. Bullock powerfully demonstrate that the realities of poverty are much different than the myths; indeed in many ways they are more disturbing. The idealized image of American society is one of abundant opportunities, with hard work being rewarded by economic prosperity. But what if this picture is wrong? What if poverty is an experience that touches the majority of Americans? What if hard work does not necessarily lead to economic well-being? What if the reasons for poverty are largely beyond the control of individuals? And if all of the evidence necessary to disprove these myths has been readily available for years, why do they remain so stubbornly pervasive? These are much more disturbing realities to consider because they call into question the very core of America's identity. Armed with the latest research, Poorly Understood not only challenges the myths of poverty and inequality, but it explains why these myths continue to exist, providing an innovative blueprint for how the nation can move forward to effectively alleviate American poverty.

Punishing Poverty

Nation Books

The relationship between growth, inequality, and poverty lies at the heart of development economics. This volume draws together many of the most important recent contributions to the controversies surrounding this topic. Some of the chapters help explain why there is profound disagreement on crucial issues of growth, poverty and inequality within academic circles, and among organizations and various groups active in the development field. Another central theme is the cross-country evidence on the relationship between growth and poverty, and the extent to which it is valid to draw policy

conclusions from this empirical evidence. The volume also shows how new microeconomic techniques such as poverty maps and microsimulation models can be used to improve poverty analysis and the design of pro-poor policies. The overall conclusion points to the need for diverse strategies towards growth and poverty, rather than simple blanket policy rules. Initial conditions, specific country structures, and time horizons all play a significant role. Initial conditions affect the speed with which growth reduces poverty and can also determine whether policies such as trade liberalization have a pro-poor or an anti-poor outcome. Improved education is valuable in itself, and also

contributes to poverty reduction; but its effect on inequality depends on supply and demand factors, which differ significantly across countries.

Likewise, the quantitative impact on poverty of redistribution from the rich to the poor vis-à-vis an increase in total national income can vary greatly across countries. Hence the need for creative approaches to poverty which take full account of the specific circumstances of individual nations and which assign a central role to inequality analysis in the discussion of poverty-alleviation policies.

Poverty in a Rising Africa University of Chicago Press

This book examines

inequality, poverty and well-being concepts and corresponding empirical measures. Attempting to push future research in new and important directions, the book has a strong analytical orientation, consisting of a mix of conceptual and empirical analyses that constitute new and innovative contributions to the research literature.

Poverty Propaganda

Springer

Peasants are a majority of the world's poor.

Despite this, there has been little effort to bridge the fields of peasant and poverty studies. Peasant Poverty and

Persistence in the Twenty-first Century provides a much-needed critical perspective linking three central questions: Why has peasantry, unlike other areas of non-capitalist production, persisted? Why are the vast majority of peasants poor? And how are these two questions related? Interweaving contributions from various disciplines, the book provides a range of responses, offering new theoretical, historical and policy perspectives on this peasant 'world drama'. Scholars from both South and North argue that, in order to find the policy paths required to overcome peasants' misery, we need a seismic transformation in social thought, to which they make important contributions. They are convinced that we must build upon the peasant economy's advantages over agricultural capitalism in meeting the challenges of feeding the growing world population while sustaining

the environment. Structured to encourage debate among authors and mutual learning, *Peasant Poverty and Persistence* takes the reader on an intellectual journey toward understanding the peasantry.

Encountering Poverty
Princeton University Press

In 2013, the World Bank Group announced two goals that would guide its operations worldwide. First is the eradication of chronic extreme poverty bringing the number of extremely poor people, defined as those living on less than 1.25 purchasing power parity

(PPP)-adjusted dollars a day, to less than 3 percent of the world's population by 2030. The second is the boosting of shared prosperity, defined as promoting the growth of per capita real income of the poorest 40 percent of the population in each country. In 2015, United Nations member nations agreed in New York to a set of post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the first and foremost of which is the eradication of extreme poverty everywhere, in all its forms. Both the language and the spirit of the SDG objective reflect the growing acceptance of the idea that poverty

is a multidimensional choices should the concept that reflects Bank make regarding multiple deprivations complementary monetary in various aspects of and nonmonetary well-being. That poverty measures to said, there is much be tracked and made less agreement on the available to policy best ways in which makers? The World Bank those plays an important deprivations should be role in shaping the measured, and on global debate whether or how on combating poverty, information on them and the indicators should be and data that the aggregated. Monitoring Bank collates Global Poverty: and makes available Report of the shape opinion and Commission on Global actual policies in Poverty advises the client countries, World Bank on the and, to a certain measurement and extent, in all monitoring of countries. How we global poverty in two answer the above areas: What should be questions can the interpretation of therefore have a the definition of major influence on extreme poverty, set the global economy. in 2015 in PPP- Handbook on Poverty adjusted dollars a + Inequality Oxfam day per person? What This timely book

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vulnerability, poorest in Africa;
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appropriate, and unresolved strategic issues regarding the targeting, coverage and scale of social transfers are highlighted. Social Protection in Africa is an essential read for personnel, advisors and consultants working for aid donors, United Nations agencies, NGOs and governments on social transfer programmes in sub-Saharan African countries. In addition, the book represents a valuable resource for training courses on social protection, and

will be vital reading for Masters level students and researchers studying emergency relief, social protection, vulnerability and poverty reduction in low-income countries.

**Measuring Poverty
Around the World**

World Bank
Publications
Against the backdrop of the global financial crisis and rising food, fuel, and commodity prices, addressing poverty and inequality in the Philippines remains a challenge. The proportion of households living below the official poverty line has

declined slowly and recommends ways to
unevenly in the past accelerate poverty
four decades, and reduction and achieve
poverty reduction has more inclusive
been much slower than growth. it also
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China, Indonesia, strategies, and
Thailand, and Viet achievements in the
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and bust cycles, and prioritizes future
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of poverty and tells what it's like

to be working poor in it's like, day after
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and just a little bit get it.
furious. Here, Linda The Measure of
Tirado tells what Poverty Penguin

No one wants to live in poverty. Few people would want others to do so. Yet, millions of people worldwide live in poverty. According to the World Bank, over 700 million people lived on less than US \$2 a day in 2013. Why is that? What has been done about it in the past? And what is being done about it now? In this Very Short Introduction Philip N. Jefferson explores how the answers to these questions lie in the social, political, economic, educational, and technological

processes that impact all of us throughout our lives. The degree of vulnerability is all that differentiates us. He shows how a person's level of vulnerability to adverse changes in their life is very much dependent on the circumstances of their birth, including where their family lived, the schools they attended, whether it was peacetime or wartime, whether they had access to clean water, and whether they are male or female. Arguing that whilst poverty is ancient and enduring, the

conversation about it is always new and evolving, Jefferson looks at the history of poverty, and the practical and analytical efforts we have made to eradicate it, and the prospects for further poverty alleviation in the future. ABOUT THE SERIES: The Very Short Introductions series from Oxford University Press contains hundreds of titles in almost every subject area. These pocket-sized books are the perfect way to get ahead in a new subject quickly. Our expert authors combine facts,

analysis, perspective, new ideas, and enthusiasm to make interesting and challenging topics highly readable. Poverty and Famines Policy Press This is an open access title available under the terms of a CC BY-NC-SA 3.0 IGO licence. It is free to read at Oxford Scholarship Online and offered as a free PDF download from OUP and selected open access locations. Detailed analyses of poverty and wellbeing in developing countries, based on household surveys, have been ongoing for more than three

decades. The large majority of developing countries now regularly conduct a variety of household surveys, and the information base in developing countries with respect to poverty and wellbeing has improved dramatically. Nevertheless, appropriate measurement of poverty remains complex and controversial. This is particularly true in developing countries where (i) the stakes with respect to poverty reduction are high; (ii) the determinants of living standards are often volatile; and (iii) related information bases,

while much improved, are often characterized by significant non-sample error. It also remains, to a surprisingly high degree, an activity undertaken by technical assistance personnel and consultants based in developed countries. This book seeks to enhance the transparency, replicability, and comparability of existing practice. In so doing, it also aims to significantly lower the barriers to entry to the conduct of rigorous poverty measurement and increase the participation of analysts from developing countries in their own poverty

assessments. The book an extension to focuses on two inequality, and a domains: the look forward. measurement of Policies to Address absolute consumption Poverty in America poverty and a first World Bank order dominance Publications approach to Available Open multidimensional Access under CC-BY- welfare analysis. In NC licence. This each domain, it book is about the provides a series of opportunities and flexible computer challenges involved codes designed to in mainstreaming facilitate analysis knowledge about by allowing the children in analyst to start from international a flexible and known development policy base. The book volume and practice. It covers the focuses on the theoretical grounding ideas, networks and for the code streams institutions that provided, a chapter shape the on 'estimation in development of practice', a series evidence about child of 11 case studies poverty and where the code wellbeing, and the streams are use of such evidence operationalized, as in development well as a synthesis, policy debates. It

also pays particular attention to the importance of power relations in influencing the extent to which children's voices are heard and acted upon by international development actors. The book weaves together theory, mixed method approaches and case studies spanning a number of policy sectors and diverse developing country contexts in Africa, Asia and Latin America. It therefore provides a useful introduction for students and development professionals who are new to debates on children, knowledge and development, whilst at the same time offering scholars in the field new methodological and empirical insights.