

Annotated bibliography assignment

1. Bhonsale, M. (2020). Bhutan's 20-year economic development and transition to democracy: An assessment of India's role. *ORF Issue Brief*, 354, 1-22.

Bhonsale (2020) examines Bhutan's economic development and transition to democracy over period of 20 years, with a focus on the role played by India. The author argues that India has played a crucial role in supporting Bhutan's development through aid and trade. The article discusses various aspects of Bhutan's economic development, including the country's Gross National Happiness philosophy, hydropower development, and international trade. The author also highlights challenges faced by Bhutan and India, such as trade imbalances and infrastructure bottlenecks which could be useful for policymakers and researchers working on issues related to regional cooperation and sustainable development. The article focuses mainly on India's role in Bhutan's development and does not explore other factors that may have contributed to Bhutan's economic and political progress. Overall, the article provides a detailed analysis of Bhutan's economic and political landscape and the role of India in supporting its development.

2. Moazzem, K. G. (2019). The power and energy sector of Bangladesh: Challenges of moving beyond the transition stage.

Moazzem (2019) investigates the major challenges faced by the power and energy sector of Bangladesh. The author argues that the sector has made significant progress in recent years, but there are still major challenges to be addressed, including inadequate energy supply, an inefficient power grid, lack of investment in renewable energy, and financial sustainability issues. The author highlights the need for greater investment in renewable energy, particularly solar and wind power, in order to reduce the country's dependence on fossil fuels. One weakness of the article is that it could have benefited from more empirical evidence to support the author's arguments. While the author cites a range of statistics and reports to support his claims, some readers may find the article to be somewhat light on data and evidence. This article is a valuable resource for anyone interested in the power and energy sector of Bangladesh, or in the challenges facing developing countries more broadly.

3. Yalçın, N. G., & Foxon, T. J. (2021). A systemic approach to transitions towards circular economy: The case of Brighton and Hove. *Cleaner Environmental Systems*, 3, 100038.

Yalçın and Foxon (2021) explore the transition towards a circular economy in the city of Brighton and Hove, using a systemic approach. The authors highlight the importance of considering the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the transition, and identify four key system components that need to be addressed: material flows, business models, social practices, and governance structures. Through their analysis of interviews with key stakeholders, the authors identify a range of challenges and opportunities for transitioning towards a circular economy in the city and offer some recommendations for policymakers and practitioners seeking to support the transition. The article provides a valuable contribution to the literature on the circular economy and transitions and highlights the importance of taking a systemic approach to addressing complex sustainability challenges.