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1. Discuss the main ideas of Jefferson's agrarianism and its influence upon American society. Where do we see the legacy of agrarianism today and does it have a positive or negative effect on our society?

According to Jefferson's agrarianism, there is need to build a society that is predominantly agrarian, with self-sufficient family farms. Jefferson's agrarianism envisioned a United States that was politically independent and believed that agriculture was part of the democracy. Only a few landowners operated their land. Jefferson viewed activities such as manufacturing as ideas that distorted good stay among people who were forced to be depended and servility and led to vices such as greed and corruption in the American society. To him agriculture would be the best deal that would change the lifestyles of many and become a nationwide occupation that was more secure. ("... it is from the tillers of the soil that spring the best citizens...") (2).

The vision of the country ought to be made credible by the vast expansion of the independent farmers. This would be one way of ensuring economic stability, social equality, and independence of the citizens. According to Jefferson's agrarianism, those who were willing to till the land were the sacred people of God. This was a genuine virtue. "...it is they who keep alive the "sacred fire"(2). There is no need to exploit anyone. The bountiful landscape ought to secure an independent, well-ordered farm, an industrious society that is incorruptible and honest. The idea for Jefferson was to work hard towards agricultural work and use agriculture as a tool to transform the new market economy.

The legacy of agrarianism today can be seen in the countrywide expansion of agricultural systems such as cultivation of dry land cities and the native ecosystem. A genealogies of development in politics, and agriculture are some of ideas that are practiced in institutions today.

Research in agriculture has developed the sector and farmers can now innovate and cultivate the land. This has made populations to be stable and independence.

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