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The documentary tends to investigate the increase of deadly drug-resistant bacteria. There is no doubt that in the future there will be seen a rise in the infections. It must be considered that a large number of people realize that the main reason behind this feeding of antibiotics to livestock. There is a high need for each individual to not engage in such practices. However, when it comes to the pharmaceutical and agricultural lobbies, they are quite powerful to defeat on such issues. The matter of fact is that such lobbies are not interested in public health, but in profit. In the current scenario, some drugs companies have been observed that develop new antibiotics. The reason for that is quite simple as it is considered less profitable for developing antibiotics that are taken occasionally. Whereas there is a high profit in the drugs that are used on a regular basis.

Studies and research show that every year in the U.S. a minimum of 2 million people is seen to become infected with bacteria. Apart from this, about 23,000 people die every year due to the direct result of such infections. It must be considered that only government research with assistance from tax dollar can resolve such problems. The aim of a good government is to work on the common good of citizens. In the 21st century, private corporations consider profits as their only concern. The perfect example in such a scenario would of tobacco which tends to kill millions of people each year. The point to be noted here is that the tobacco industry is spreading tobacco from decades now. When it comes to the Tobacco industry, it tends to cover up the issue ever since tobacco was a profitable product. However, the government gradually exposed the problem. All of this was done by the placing constraints on publicizing tobacco and its sale as a public health hazard.

There have been successive measures taken for cleaning up the environment after the decades of polluting water, earth, and air. All of this has resulted in the creation of EPA. The undeniable fact is that there are certain deadly effects due to lead products, lead paint, and leaded gasoline (Chavda, 2017). However, there has been no measure taken to prevent the usage of these products in an industrial area. The reason for that lies is quite simple as it has helped the industries in the past to gain profit. The industries have never given an ear to the people who are behind died, but the government has saved the citizens somehow. In the 21st century, as the global climate change tends to proceed unabated, it has been seen that the fossil fuel companies with allies lie and deceive. Again here, the reason is simply nothing but the profit itself. There is no doubt that only governmental power can become a hindrance to the ruination.

In the current scenario, there is a high need for certain steps such as creating a new economic system. There can be initiated some changes to the current economic system as well. When it comes to the political side, there should be global cooperation. The matter of fact is that the majority of the problems that are currently being faced are across the international borders. The documentary by PBS is extremely great. It must be considered that it was not profitable to investigate all of this for a small audience. Apart from this, without adequate funds, individuals are forced to beg for money. However, the broadcast has performed a great public service.

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