IELTS Writing Task 2 Model Essay

In many countries today, both men and women need to work full time. Therefore, some people think men and women should share household task equally (e.g. cleaning and looking after children). To what extent do you agree or disagree?

Essay:

As it is currently a topic of interest as to whether men and women should divide domestic duties equally, there is a feeling by some that gender roles should dictate who does what. However, in my opinion, as men and women both contribute equally to the workforce, household chores should be shared equitably as well.

To start, when both partners are employed full-time, it follows that they should split home responsibilities evenly. Given that both are committing a significant portion of their day to work, neither is left with ample time for domestic duties. For example, in places like South Korea, where there is a trend of dual-earner households, couples frequently divide chores between them due to their limited available time after office hours.

That being said, the onus also falls on the government to help diminish this perceived gender imbalance in household tasks. Sensitizing the public to gender equity, especially targeting males, can encourage a fairer divide of household chores. For instance, public campaigns aimed at achieving gender equality can help normalize the sight of men sharing in these tasks and alleviate the bias against women. This approach could inspire men to participate more willingly in domestic duties.

In conclusion, in order to progress as a society, we need to abolish archaic gender roles in favor of equality in all aspects, including domestic chores. Effective policy-making can greatly aid in achieving this goal.

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Good expressions:

- 1. "Archival gender roles" -
- 2. "Dual-earner households" 가
- 3. "Onus falls on" ~
- 4. "Effective policy-making" -
- 5. "Perceived gender imbalance" -