

The rapid pace of global integration has been a double-edged sword. Economists argue that structural changes in world markets often (1) _____ mass production capabilities. For example, if a company needs to cut costs quickly, they might (2) _____ (employees) in their home country and outsource jobs overseas.

This global competition forces businesses to constantly (3) _____ innovative solutions to stay relevant. When a multinational corporation wants to ensure labor compliance in a foreign factory, they must first (4) _____ a thorough internal audit (it). However, many low-wage workers have to (5) _____ basic social security benefits just to keep their jobs.

Environmentalists fear that if immediate action is not taken, we could (6) _____ (entire ecosystems) due to climate change and pollution caused by industrial expansion. Furthermore, global supply chains are fragile. During the recent crisis, many nations suddenly (7) _____ essential medical supplies, revealing dangerous dependencies.

It's clear that citizens in developing nations are often forced to (8) _____ poor working conditions and long hours. Meanwhile, global travelers sometimes (9) _____ unfamiliar illnesses while moving between continents.