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Lecture Outline on Technology and Social Change
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- 1) Technology as a decisive factor shaping the lives of human beings in all societies
 - the extent of technological development or availability of technology is a major factor influencing almost all areas of human endeavor.
- 2) Technology facilitates social change leading to both positive as well as negative outcomes
 - productivity, efficiency, convenience, safety, etc.
 - Access to technology and unequal development
 - Emphasis on information technology and its implications; It is no substitute for other forms of technology
- 3) Technology Production, technology transfer and international development
 - technological gap and underdevelopment.
- 4) Modern information technology and globalization
 - Global integration through information and communication technology
 - circulation of capital, labour, ideas, information and cultural goods
 - Towards a global human society?
- 5) Technology and equality of opportunity
 - Public provision and private access
 - Impact on life chances
 - more inequalities or less?