* Worker’s leaders today were delighted to hear that plans by HIJ Chemicals to build a huge new paint and chemicals plant in the Southern province. Many of these products will be sold abroad. The factory will create 1000 new jobs in an area badly affected by other factory closures. The new factory will require materials, components and supplies from many local firms. It is claimed that the government is planning to offer substantial grants to HIJ for locating in this area of high unemployment.
* However it was insisted that the factory should not be too close to housing estates and schools. The grants being offered have angered other firms in the same industry as being unfair competition for them.
* Local residents have mixed feelings about the plans, one elderly resident claimed: “It will only bring more road traffic and risk of pollution. Don’t forget that one HIJ plant in the North was destroyed by an explosion a few years ago, killing several workers.” However other local people welcomed the news as it will bring more business and wealth to the area.

**Activity 20.5**

1. Make a list of stakeholders likely to be affected by HIJ’s plans to build a new chemical factory.

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1. For each of the groups identifies in task **a),** explain why they are likely to be in support of, or likely to oppose, these new plans.

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1. Explain three reasons why, in your opinion, the government ought to be involved in this decision.

**Reason 1 -** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
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