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FIG. 4.1 Adapted from the Commonwealth's website

Extracts from a young person's interview with the Commonwealth Secretary-General, December 2016

The Commonwealth was a name which had come up in one of my history lessons. However, I did not really know what it was or what it stood for. I have found out that it is home to 2.4 billion citizens. The Commonwealth includes some of the world's largest, smallest, richest and poorest countries.

This then made me question, 'what does it do for the youth, in all of those different countries'?

The Commonwealth's Secretary-General, was extremely passionate about the youth and our future. I asked her first, about how the Commonwealth helps youth all around the world. She told me she was, 'incredibly committed to help the youth around the Commonwealth reach their developmental goals and do the things they really want to do'.

FIG. 4.2

Cartoonist, J. J. McCullough's, view of the Commonwealth's effectiveness (2011)

The picture shows a 'Commonwealth to do list'.

The list says:

- ✗ End forced child marriages.
- ✗ Stop torturing dissidents.
- ✗ Release jailed homosexuals.
- ✗ Outlaw female genital mutilation.
- ✗ Stop throwing journalists in prison.
- ✗ Peacefully resolve civil wars.
- ✓ Allow future kings to marry Catholics.

Underneath the list is a cartoon drawing of characters representing different people from across the Commonwealth. In the middle of these people is a stereotypical British man wearing a bowler hat. He is saying 'Okay, well, the important thing is we're making progress...'

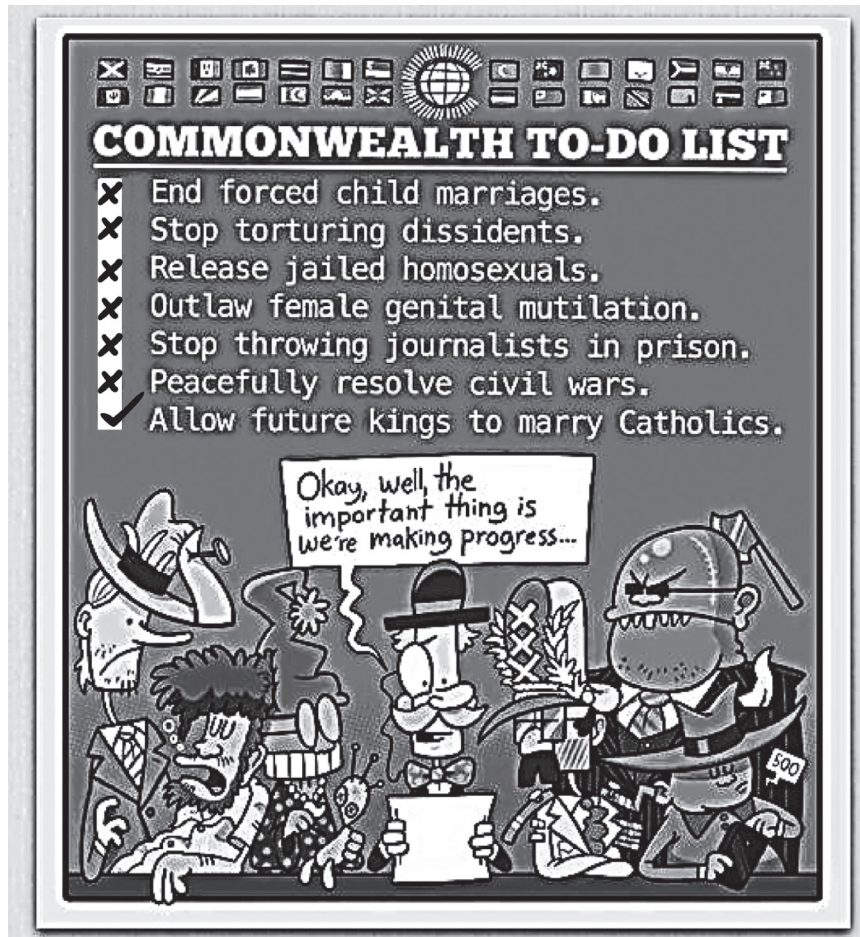
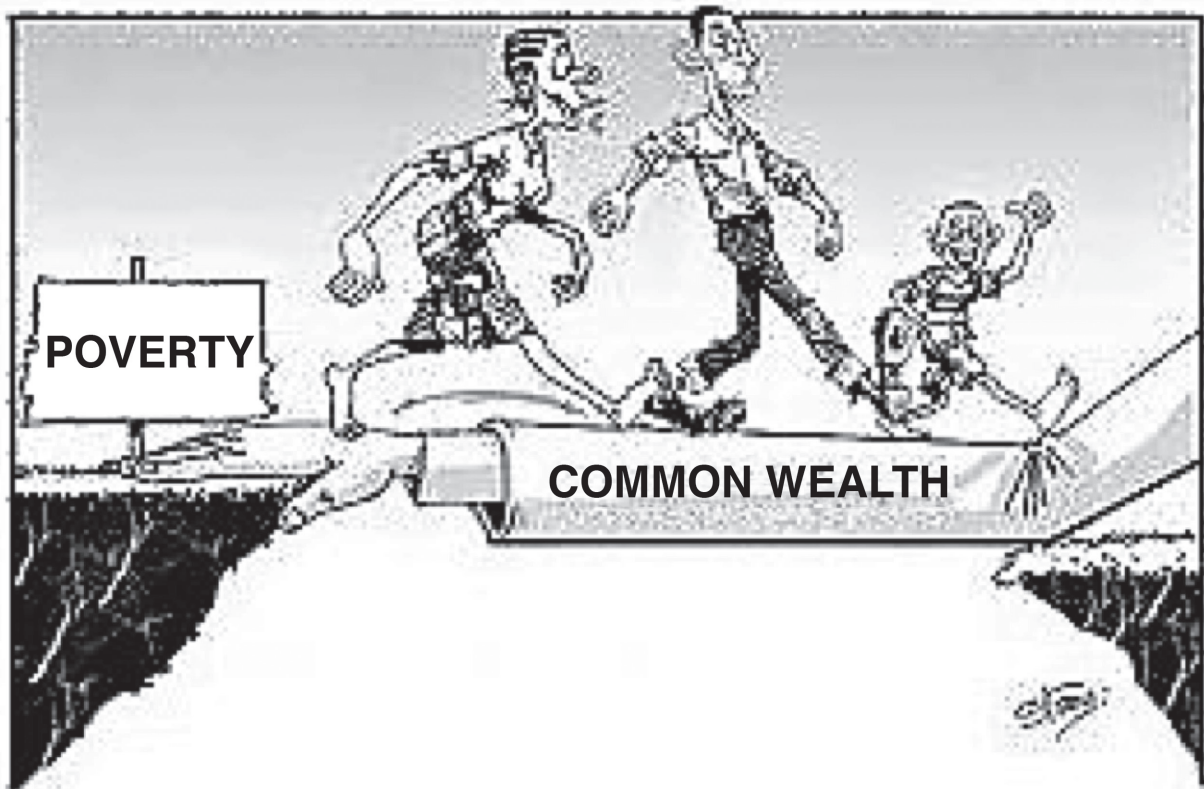


FIG. 4.3

Cartoonist, Jai Parimi's, view of the Commonwealth (2014)

The cartoon shows two cliff edges separated by a gap. The left cliff edge is labelled 'Poverty'. An arm is stretching from the right cliff edge to the left cliff edge and it is labelled 'Common Wealth'. A family are walking from the left side across the arm to the right cliff edge.



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