

Department	Economics	Class	II – M.A.		Semester	IV
Course Title	Demography	Hours	Credit	CIA	External	Total
Course Code	18P4VME3	90	5	25	75	100

Objectives

1. To achieve knowledge about the size, composition and distribution of population
2. To Protect the future demographic evaluation and its probable consequences
3. To gain knowledge about the biological, social and economic theories of population

Learning Outcome

1. Understand demographic measurements like fertility and mortality rates
2. Understand the difference between internal migration, an asylum-seeker and a refugee

Unit I Meaning and Scope of Demography

(18 Hours)

Introduction – Definitions of Demography – Scope of Demography – Relation of Demography with other Social Sciences – Importance of Demography.

Unit II Determinants of Population Growth

(18 Hours)

Fertility: concept and measures of Fertility – Factors affecting fertility – Mortality: concept and measures of mortality – Factors affecting mortality – causes of decline in mortality rates in developing countries – Life Table – Assumptions – Uses – Vital Statistics – meaning – uses of vital statistics.

Unit III Biological Theories of Population

(18 Hours)

Thomas Doubleday’s Diet Theory – Joe Castro’s Protein Consumption Theory – Michael Thomas Sadler’s Destiny Theory – Spencer’s Biological Theory- Pearl and Reed Logistic Curve Theory.

Unit IV Social and Economic Theories of Population

(18 Hours)

Dumont’s Social Capillarity Theory – Leibenstein’s Motivational Theory of Population Growth – Karl Marx’s theory of Surplus Population – Malthus Theory of Population – Optimum Theory of Population.

Unit V Migration, Urbanisation and Population Policy

(18 Hours)

Migration: Meaning -Types – Internal Migration: Factors affecting Internal Migration – Factors retarding Internal Migration – Effects of Migration – International Migration: Factors affecting International Migration – Brain Drain – Factors leading to Brain Drain – Measures to reduce Brain Drain- Urbanisation: Meaning – Factors responsible for Urbanisation – problems of Urbanisation – Suggestions – Census 2011 - Composition of Population in India-Recent National Population Policy – objectives.

Text Book

1. Jhingan M.L., Bhatt B.K., & Desai J.N., (2011), “Demography”, Vrindha Publications (P) Ltd., Delhi.

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1. Srivastava S. (2004), “Studies in Demography”, Anmol Publications Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
2. Sinha V.V., Zacharia E., (2002), “Elements of Demography”, Allied Publishers Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
3. Choubey P.K., , (2000), “Population Policy in India”, Kanishka Publishers, New Delhi.
4. Bogue D.J., John Wiley, (1961), “Principles of Demography”, New York.

Website / e-book

1. Sarah Harper, “Demography: A Very Short Introduction”,
<https://www.whsmith.co.uk/products/demography-a-very-short-introduction/9780191038686>