

POPULATION GEOGRAPHY COURSE MANAGEMENT AND ADVISORY

Nature of Population Geography

Population Geography is one of the simple components of the UPSC Mains syllabus. Most of the readings are easy and can be comprehended easily. Going through this part of the syllabus religiously will help you score 15-25 marks not only in Paper I but in Paper II also. If you properly follow the class lectures as well as the materials provided to you, it will gain enough insights to answer the questions and increase your skills in dealing with the questions on Population Geography.

The most important fact is that the aspirants need to understand the interrelationships between the physical, economic, contemporary developments and the social criteria. Population Geography should not be treated in isolation. Keeping in mind this fact, we have prepared the consolidated list of topics that encompass both the papers as well as current affairs so that you develop a holistic understanding of the subject. The following topics are clubbed together so that you follow the same and understand the demands of UPSC.

Syllabus-Paper I

Population Geography

1. Growth and distribution of world population
2. Demographic attributes
3. Causes and consequences of migration
4. Concepts of over-under-and optimum population
5. Population theories
6. World population problems and policies
7. Social well-being and quality of life

8. Population as social capital

Related Topics and chapters incorporated-Models and Theories

9. Malthusian, Marxian and demographic transition models

Related Topics and chapters incorporated- Perspectives in Geography

10. Language, religion

11. Secularisation

12. Social well being

13. Capital and social capital

Paper II

10. Growth, distribution and density of population

11. Demographic attributes: sex-ratio, age structure, literacy rate, work-force, dependency ratio, longevity

12. Migration (inter-regional, intra- regional and international) and associated problems; Population problems and policies

Related Contemporary Issue

14. Population explosion

Current Affairs offered only as material

15. Census 2011

16. Socio Economic and Caste Census

- 17. National Population Register
- 18. Demographic Dividend
- 19. Census of Religion, etc.

What the students Get

- SSS Series by Ensemble
- People and Population by K. Siddhartha & S.Mukherjee
- Modern Dictionary of Geography by K. Siddhartha & S.Mukherjee

Additional material that the students can go for

- NCERT, Class XI and XII Human Geography

Learning Sequencing and chapter structure

The course sequencing is not per the syllabus, rather some chapters has been taken from Perspective and

How best to utilise it

1. FIRST READ THE TOPICS
2. LISTEN TO THE EXPLANATION
3. NOW USE THE SUMMARY
4. YOU HAVE SOME MODEL ANSWERS. USE ONLY QUESTIONS FROM MODEL ANSWERS TO WRITE
5. NOW COMPARE YOUR ANSWERS WITH THE MODEL
6. ENSEMBLE WILL KEEP YOU UPDATING ON CURRENT AFFAIRS REGULARLY ON THIS TOPIC
7. KEEP AN EYE ON UPDATES

POPULATION GEOGRAPHY

SEQUENCING	TOPICS	CHAPTER AND STUDY MATERIAL	STUDIO SHOOT WITH ANIMATIONS	CLASS LECTURE by	SYNOPSIS & LECTURE FORMAT	QUESTION BANK	MODEL ANSWERS	CURRENT & ENRICHMENT
1.	DEMOGRAPHIC ATTRIBUTES	Chapter 1, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 1	□	□	NA
2	DETERMINATES OF FERTILITY	Chapter 2, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 2	□	□	NA
3	POPULATION GROWTH	Chapter 3, POPULATION	LECTURE NOT REQUIRED	NA	Chapter 3	□	□	NA
	DEMOGRAPHIC PERSPECTIVE	Chapter 4, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 4	□	□	NA
4.	MALTHUSIAN THEORY Also in Models	Chapter 5, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 5	□	□	NA
5.	CONCEPT OF OPTIMUM POPULATION Also in Models	Chapter 6, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 6	□	□	NA
6.	MARXIAN THEORY OF POPULATION Also in Models	Chapter 7, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 7	□	□	NA
7.	DEMOGRAPHIC TRANSITION THEORY Also in Models	Chapter 8, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 8	□	□	NA
8.	POPULATION THEORIES Also in Models	Chapter 9, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 9	□	□	NA
9.	POPULATION DISTRIBUTION	Chapter 10, POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	Chapter 10	□	□	NA

10.	MIGRATION	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	Will be updated with any new developemnt
11	WORLD POPULATION PROBLEMS	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	Will be updated with any new developemnt
12	POPULATION POLICIES	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	Will be updated with any new developemnt
13.	LANGUAGE, RELIGION From Perspective	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	NA
15.	SECULARISATION From Perspective	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	NA
15.	SOCIAL WELL BEING From Perspective	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	Will be updated with any new developemnt
16.	CAPITAL AND SOCIAL CAPITAL From Perspective	POPULATION	In lecture mode	NA	POPULATION	□	□	NA

How to understand Population Geography in combination (Paper I & Paper II, Cultural Setting)

Dates	Paper I	Paper II
Population Geography		
	Growth and distribution of world population,	Growth, distribution and density of population,

	Demographic attributes	Demographic attributes: sex-ratio, age structure, literacy rate, work-force, dependency ratio, longevity
	Causes and consequences of migration, Concepts of over-under-and optimum population	Migration (inter-regional, intra- regional and international) and associated problems
	Population theories, World population problems and policies	Demographic Dividend, (in 2 nd Paper) Health indicators, Population explosion and food security,
	World population problems and policies, Social well-being and quality of life, Population as social capital	
		Census 2011, Socio Economic and Caste Census, National Population Register, Census of Religion, etc.

Post Script- General Directions after Course

- Learn how to write answers from your you tube channel and the various answer directives.
- Go through the Question Bank and observe the type of Questions asked.
- Interpretation and understanding of the question is the most important criteria.
- Pick up some questions given in your answer bank and write them on your own.
- Then compare these answers with the answers given to you.
- Repeat this process more than once.
- Then Go through the entire answers given to you.
- Now start writing independent answers
- Presentation should be in good legible writing and simple language with:
 - Use of maps, flowcharts and diagrams
 - Use of examples and case studies to support the answer
- Adherence to word limit is advised.



- For answer evaluation you can join the test series and send cam scanned copies to Ensemble.

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