

2025

M.A./M.Sc. 1st Semester Examination

**POPULATION, HEALTH
AND DEVELOPMENT**

Paper : PDSC401X0

(Introduction to Population Studies)

Full Marks : 50

Time : Two Hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

*Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Group - A

Answer any *four* questions : 2×4=8

1. Differentiate between Demography and Population Studies.
2. What is the Dependency Ratio?
3. Define Replacement Level Fertility Rate.
4. What is meant by the age-sex composition of a population?

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5. What is Population Density?
6. Name any two proximate determinants of fertility according to Davis-Blake.

Group - B

Answer any *four* questions : $4 \times 4 = 16$

7. Discuss the scope of demography.
8. What is the Push-Pull Theory of Migration? Give examples.
9. Explain how education and economic status influence demographic behavior.
10. Write a short note on Dumont's theory of social capillarity.
11. Explain the critically importance of the Population Census in India.
12. Mention the biological and socio-cultural factors affecting the Child Sex Ratio.

Group - C

Answer any *two* questions : $8 \times 2 = 16$

13. Describe the different measures of mortality and their significance in demographic analysis.

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14. Compare and contrast Malthusianism with Boserupian optimism with suitable examples.
15. Explain the stages of the Demographic Transition Theory and discuss its applicability to India.
16. Discuss the role of NFHS and NSSO in understanding the study of socio-demographic change in India.

Internal Assessment : 10 marks
