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Ch:3.POPULATION COMPOSITION

READ THE FOLLOWING VERY SHORT AND SHORT TYPES QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS THOROUGHLY AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND AND WRITE IN YOUR H.W.COPY.

Questions 1.

Why is the age structure considered an important indicator of population composition? Given one reason.

(HOTS; Delhi 2016)

Answer:

Age structure is an important indicator of population composition because it tells about the proportion of population i.e. the percentage of the young and ageing population. This helps in planning for the future.

Questions 2.

Why is the sex ratio in some European countries recorded favourable to females? Given one reason. Delhi 2016

Answer:

In some European countries, females recorded a favourable sex ratio because women enjoy better socio-economic status.

Questions 3.

Name the country where the sex ratio is most unfavourable to women in the world. All India 2016

Answer:

A country, where the sex ratio is most unfavourable to women, is UAE as there are 468 females per 1000 males.

Questions 4.

What is the average sex ratio in the world? All India 2016

Answer:

The average sex ratio in the world is 990 females per 1000 males.

Questions 5.

Give the meaning of 'Age structure'. (All India 2014,2013)

Answer:

The age structure of the population refers to the number of people of different age groups residing in a country.

Questions 6.

How is sex ratio calculated in different countries of the world? Delhi 2013

Answer:

In some countries the sex ratio is calculated by using a formula:

$$\frac{\text{Male Population}}{\text{Female Population}} \times 1000$$

Or the number of males per thousand females.

In India, the sex ratio is calculated by using a formula:

$$\frac{\text{Female Population}}{\text{male Population}} \times 1000$$

Or the number of females per thousand males.

Questions 7.

Give the meaning of Age-sex structure of a population. (All India 2013)

Answer:

The age-sex structure of a population refers to the number of females and males in different age groups.

Questions 8.

Define the term 'sex ratio'. (Delhi 2012)

Answer:

The ratio between the number of women and men in the population is called the sex ratio.

Questions 9.

Name the country having the highest sex ratio in the world. (All India 2012, Delhi 2010)

Answer:

The country has the highest sex ratio in the world is Latvia.

Questions 10.

Which country has the lowest sex ratio in the world? (Delhi 2011, 2008)

Answer:

A country having lowest sex ratio in the world is the United Arab Emirates.

Questions 11.

Which age group of population indicates the largest working population? (All India 2008)

Answer:

The age group of population indicating the working population is 15 to 59 years.

3 Marks Questions

Questions 12.

Divide the population of the world into two groups on the basis of residence. How do they differ from each other? Explain any two points of difference. (Delhi 2011)

Answer:

Depending upon the place of residence, the population of a country is divided into

two groups:

1. Rural population Characteristics of Rural Population

(a) People living in villages are known as the rural population. The main occupation of rural people is primary activities i.e. hunting, fishing, mining, agriculture, agricultural labour, etc.

(b) Majority of the world's population reside in rural areas but the density of population is low.

2. Urban population Characteristics of Urban Population

(a) People living in towns and cities are known as an urban population. Urban people are engaged in secondary or tertiary occupations i.e. manufacturing, public and private services, transport and communication fields, etc.

(b) Urban areas have a very high density of population as more job opportunities lead to the in-migration of people.

Questions 13.

What do you understand by the occupational structure? Name the specific economic activities or occupational categories as identified by the United Nations? (Delhi 2011)

Answer:

Occupational structure refers to the proportional distribution of people under specific economic activities. These activities are as follows:

- Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing
- Mining and quarrying
- Manufacturing industry
- Construction
- Electricity
- Unclassified occupations
- Commerce
- Transportation and Communication

There is another group which is not engaged in any economic activity and is also not the part of the active population i.e. children below the working age, old people, housewives and students. There is another classification of occupational structure which is divided into following four major groups:

- Primary activities such as hunting and agriculture.
- Secondary activities such as manufacturing.
- Tertiary activities such as service sector i.e. transport, communication, etc.
- Quaternary activities such as intellectual tasks i.e. research and development activities.

Questions 14.

Why is sex ratio unfavourable to women in the world? Explain any three reasons. (HOTS; All India 2011)

Answer:

The sex ratio is important information about the status of women in a country in a region where gender discrimination is rampant. The sex ratio is bound to be unfavourable to women.

Reason for unfavourable sex ratio for women are as follows:

1. Sex ratio is always unfavourable to women in those countries where gender discrimination is rampant.
2. In such countries or areas, the practice of female foeticide, female infanticide and domestic violence against women are common practices.
3. The main reason for such practices is that women suffer from lower socio-economic status in general and societies are male-dominating in particular.

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