POPULATION DENSITY PATTERN IN DHULE DISTRICT, (MAHARASHTRA): A GEOGRAPHICAL ANALYSIS

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Abstract
The distribution of population has its close relationship with the distribution of natural endowments which are unevenly distributed over the surface of the earth. Growth of population, density of population, man land ratio, sex ratio and literacy are the elements of population which are important in the social, cultural and economic development of region. People propel social progress, create social wealth and develop science and technology through their land work that continuously transform the human environment. The analysis of density of population is fundamental for understanding the population geography of any area. Density of population refers to the average number of inhabitants living within a specified unit of area. In other words, the density of population can be defined as a ratio between population and area. Thus, it indicates man-land ratio. Generally, it is expressed in terms of persons per square kilometer or persons per
square mile. Study of density of population helps in understanding the nature, characteristics and extent of population over a particular area.

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