MSP-E2.1

45 Hours

HISTORICAL DEMOGRAPHY

I. Introduction to historical demography

Introduction to historical demography: Meaning, Scope, and Importance; Difference between History of Demography, Demographic History and Historical Demography; Limitations of Research in Historical Demography. Development of historical demography (Europe and Asia).

II. Data Sources, Methods and Approaches

Data Sources: Paris registers, Population registers, Census, Vital registration data, Bills of mortality, Fiscal documents, Military records, Inventories of properties, Genealogies, Marriage practices, Archaeological remains, Administrative geography, Colonization of new land, Cemetery data, Traveler's tales.

Approaches: Family reconstitution; Cross checking the information from different sources. Back Projection, and Generalised Inverse Projection, Other Methodological Developments

III. Evolution of human and peopling of the earth

Evolutionary Process and Emergence of human (Darwinism, Mendel, Lamarckism); Historical trend and pattern of migration and distribution of population; Historical evolution of towns and peopling of the world, Industrial and agricultural revolution and peopling of the earth

IV. India's demographic history

Historical sources of population data, Population in India from pre-historic to modern time; Peopling in India and racial classification; Peopling in India and linguistic classification; Indian great famines and its implication on mortality; family transition and status of women from historical perspective; Transition from traditional family planning methods to modern methods and health practices in India – a historical perspective

Reading List

Essential Readings :

- 1. Davis, Kingsley, The Population of India and Pakistan, Princeton, Princeton University Press, 1951.
- 2. Tim Dyson (ed.), India's Historical Demography: Studies in Famine, Disease and Society, London, Curzon, 1989.
- 3. Glass D.V. & Eversley, D.E., Population in History: Essays in Historical Demography, London, Edward Arnold, 1965.
- 4. Hollingsworth, T.H., Historical Demography: The Sources of History, Studies in the Uses of Historical Evidence, London, 1969.
- 5. Maharatna, Arup, Demography of Famines: An Indian Historical Perspective, Delhi, 1996.
- 6. Willigan, J. Dennis, Lynch, Katherine A., Sources and Methods of Historical Demography, Academic Press, New York, 1982.

Suggested Readings :

- 1. Akerman, S., "History and Demography: An Evaluation of the Family Reconstitution Technique" in A.E. Andersson and I. Holmberg (eds) Demographic, Economic, and Social Interaction, Cambridge, Ballinger Publishing Company, 1977.
- 2. Harris, P.M.G., History of Human Populations, Vol.II (Migration Urbanization and structural change) London: Praeger, 2003.
- 3. John Knodel, "Two and a Half Centuries of Demographic History in a Bavarian Village". Population studies Vo1.XXIV No.3, Nov. 1970, pp. 353-376.
- 4. Kertzer, David I., "Qualitative and Quantitative Approaches to Historical Demography", Population and Development Review, Vol.23 (4). Dec. 199–(839-84), 1997.
- 5. Krishnan, P., "Historical Demography Through Literature: Preliminary Report on Indian Historical Demography", Paper presented in the Session Historical Demography, IUSSP Meeting, Florence, Italy, June, 1985.
- 6. Paul E.Vincent, "French Demography in the Eighteenth Century" Population Studies Vol.I, 1947-48. Pp.44-71.
- 7. Razzell, P.E., "The evolution of Baptism as a form of Birth Registration through Cross Matching census and Parish Register Data: A study in Methodology" Population Studies Vol.26, No.1. March 1972, pp.121-146.

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- 9. Srivastava, H.C., "Registration of vital Events in Goa- A study of current system in Retrospect", Artha Vijanana, Vol. XIII, No.4, Dec. 1971.
- 10. Vinovskis, Maris A., Studies in American Historical Demography, Academic Press, New York, 1979.
- 11. William H. Howells, "Estimating Population Numbers Through Archeological and Skeletal Remains" in Robert F. Heizar and Sherburne F. cook. The application of Quantitative methods in Archeology, Viking Fund Publication in Archeology, No.28, 1960. pp. 158-159.