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DEMOGRAPHIC STRUCTURE OF INDIAN SOCIETY

1. **Explain the term Demography.** 2
It is a systematic study of population, composed of two words.
1. Demos i.e. people 2. Graphein i.e., to describe.
It is formal (Quantitative) & Informal (focuses on social, political & economic aspects of population).

2. **Explain the Malthusian theory of Population.** 4
According to Malthus Population grows in Geometric progression & Natural resources grow in arithmetic progression which leads to extreme poverty. He believed the growth rate can be limited through preventive checks like birth control methods or positive checks like natural calamities.
However his theory was criticized as population patterns underwent great change after scientific & technological development began in the world especially in Europe.

3. **What are reasons for the decline of sex ratio in India?** 4
 - i. Sex specific abortions to prevent girl babies being born.
 - ii. Female infanticide
 - iii. Severe neglect of girl babies in infancy.
