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Draft National Population Policy

I Genesis : Karunakaran Committee of NDC.

Preliminary draft of a National Population Policy.

II 40 year Balance sheet

Positive Drop in TFR, IMR, MMR.

Increase in life span

Negative : (a) Bihar, UP, Rajasthan, MP

(b) Adverse sex ratio - 929/1000

(c) Vertically structured - target driven

(d) Incentive - outlived their utility

(e) Complaints of unethical procedures of testing new technologies

(f) Centralised planning

(g) Responsibility shifted to women - mostly tubectomies



Magnusson

Everything in life is
interrelated

I Pattern or Model of Development : Perspective

Convergence - inequality - New
Economic Policy - investment on
social development (P 11 -

II Population & Social Development

Commission . Why?

Structures at central & State levels.

Centralization ?

Report on Population, Gender Equity & Quality of life
Unmet needs.

III Panchayats : Socio-demographic charters -
guidance - Targets to be fixed locally.

IV Contraceptive Technologies

Why no comments - Dr. Gowariker

V Men & family planning : Intra-household
variability.
Attitude, Mind set. (page 7),



VI

Incentive &

Coercive disincentives, & Social signals

Elected representatives

Employment

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National Population Policy

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(1)

Population + Development

Model of growth - growth with
inequality - structural & social inequality

(2)

Muralidharan

Undue optimism

Issues :

(a) Is it wise to do away
with targets? Set realistic
targets. What is sacred about
the year 2010? Can we double
our performance? ambitious targets

(b)

Financial implications for achieving
the goals

(c)

Informed & rational choice

Injectible contraceptives



(2)

Role of State in marketing Contraceptive services

(1) Preparation of socio-demographic
charts

Concrete guidance is needed.

Try out a few Panchayats.

(3) Mr. Perumalingam (Health Secretary)

(a) Empowerment of women —
how will these be done?

(b) Why a Commission? Dept.
of Family Welfare will continue to
exist.

(c) Allocation procedure: should not
be centralised.

(d) Family Planning Targets are
important.

Targets
to be set
locally



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International Consultation on Biological Diversity
Bangalore, August 22nd & 23rd, 1994

जैव विविधता पर अंतर्राष्ट्रीय परामर्श
बंगलौर, अगस्त 22 और 23, 1994

(4) Dr Nagarajan

Perspective ^m Why high population growth -
agrarian situation.

Impact of new economic policy
on investment in social objectives.

(5) Dr Mythili Sivaraman.

(a) Basic premises on which the
report are based - new economic
policy.

Rich - poor divide.

(b) Contraceptive technologies

(c) Dr Malawi Mukherjee

Human carrying capacity:

Consumer capacity
If the country is human & social development
goes wrong nothing will
go right.



(7)

Nirmala Banerji

India - household situation -
scope for choice

(8)

Ramasundaran

Open Commission \rightarrow Why
Retain the present administrative
structure at Delhi.

(9)

Vidya Rao

(a) Attitude of men - neglected.

(b) Structural system -

(c) Position of women in Panchayats

(10)

Women's groups - work - neglected

(11)

Mr Suryanarayanan

(11)

Dr. Mural Sengupta

Women's representatives

(12)

Dr. Rajagopalan



Issues

(8) Contraceptive technologies: Screening

Harmful contraceptives - no
comments.

Sensitivity of scientific
establishment - accountability.

Dr.
Gowariker

(9) Coercive disincentives.

(a) eligibility for election

(b) ~~have~~ child marriage
Restraint Act



largest net addition to the population each year

III Goal: Stable population with a satisfying life for all

IV Strategy:

- (a) Think, Plan, Act locally - population in the context of social development
- (b) Empower women members of Panchayats & Nagarpanchats
- (c) TFR - 2.1 by 2010.
- (d) Freeze Parliamentary seats upto 2010.
- (e) Introduce structures which can implement the decentralised strategy

V Instrument: Socio-demographic charter

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VI Disincentives: Child Marriage Fund
Seats in elected bodies Restraint Act