

**Semester III**  
**MDC 3**  
**INDIAN ECONOMY**

Kindly follow the link below

[https://dcmsme.gov.in/dips/state\\_wise\\_profile\\_16-17/Bihar%20-%20State%20Profile.pdf](https://dcmsme.gov.in/dips/state_wise_profile_16-17/Bihar%20-%20State%20Profile.pdf)

It gives key population statistics in page 8 as per the Census of 2001 and 2011.

It is necessary to appreciate the size of population of Bihar and how it has grown over the years.

The table subsequent to this gives the rural urban divide with regard to population, population growth rates, gender, children, literacy, sex ratios etc.

The subsequent table gives a projected rise in population.

Table 3.1 gives the “Statement showing the variation of population in Bihar and in India during the various decades”

The growth in population of BIHAR & of India is shown on comparative basis with the fact that relatively as a percentage of India’s population, Bihar’s population has declined over the years. From 11.5% it has come down to 8.6%.

The features of the population that emerges are

- High population
- High growth rate
- Relatively low literacy
- Low female literacy rate
- Low urban concentration
- Low sex ratio

After studying please answer the questions

1. Is Bihar an Overpopulated state? Give cogent arguments.

**2. Is Bihar an underdeveloped or overpopulated state?**