

Tenth Social Studies

The People And Settlements

1. **What are the reasons for Delhi to become the second biggest city in the country?**

A: According to population Delhi stands second in rank whereas Mumbai ranks first, as Delhi is the capital of India many people concentrate there for many purposes.

- ✪ When India gained independence, the city remained its capital and before that it was capital for many dynasties.
- ✪ Partition at the time of independence resulted in mass migration to Delhi.
- ✪ Over the decades, the city has been attracting many people from all the parts of country as they migrated in search of livelihood or jobs.
- ✪ As the capital of country, with the parliament and central of Government offices, Supreme Court and planning commission etc., there are people from all parts living in the city.
- ✪ Today Delhi is the second largest city with more than 1,60,00,000 population.

2. **The development of Delhi is not done according to master plan. Discuss.**

A: Every city usually has a master plan to be designed and allocate different types of areas. The city of Delhi has three such master plans. However, if we look at the current scenario, it would appear that these plans have not been implemented. In fact, Delhi has been growing in an unplanned manner.

A planned city usually has all facilities. Government has to announce areas demarcated for different purposes. The construction in that area is expected to follow such an order. However it is clear that such plans have not been followed. A planned development is not possible because many migrants are coming in to city and that they are trespassers.

3. **How are the weekly markets important especially in villages?**

A: The weekly markets in villages are a very important as they connect many villages. The village is treated as the bigger one in which the weekly market is big with many vegetable vendors and so on. At these weekly markets, people from several neighbouring villages converge and conduct trade. Some villages

also host an annual fair which is a larger market along with many cultural elements. Many events are held including music, dance, theatre etc. The weekly markets and fairs are also important to plant and animal genetics in the area because local seeds and live stock breeds are traded here. These fairs also often result in inter caste and inter religious marriages among people from different villages.

4. Explain the problems of urbanization.

A: Many people from villages come to cities and towns because of many reasons. Increasing urbanization is not just about great opportunities for people but more economic productivity etc. It also results in many problems. The growing urban population has to be housed. It needs water supply, sewage and other waste disposal transportation and many other things. All these result in environmental stress. As vehicle use increases, urban air pollution, sound pollution increases, health problems and localized climatic change. Improper sewage disposal can also lead to greater threat of infectious diseases.

5. What is an aerotropolis? How is it structured?

A: A new kind of settlement is occurring in many countries, including India. These settlements are centered on large airports. Hence the name aerotropolis (or airport city). In an aerotropolis the airport functions as a city in its own right. Many facilities (hotels, shopping, entertainment, food, business conferencing, etc.) are provided right there. People can fly in; conduct their business with their counterparts, 'right there, and fly out', with all the comfort of a city, without the traffic and other problems. Some form of aerotropolises are emerging in these places in India: Bangalore International Airport, Indira Gandhi International Airport (Delhi), and Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (Hyderabad).

6. Mention a few names of the International airports?

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- ✪ Bangalore International Airport
 - ✪ Indira Gandhi International Airport (Delhi)
 - ✪ Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (Hyderabad)
 - ✪ Suvarnabhoomi International Airport (Bangkok)
 - ✪ Dubai International Airport (Dubai)
 - ✪ Cairo International Airport (Cairo, Egypt)
 - ✪ London Heathrow Airport (London, UK)

7. Mention a few types of settlements.

A: Slum areas, unauthorized colonies, rural areas, regularized colonies of unauthorized and planned colonies are a few settlements.

8. What is a settlement?

A: The way we organize ourselves and our living in a geographical space where we live and work is called settlement.

9. What is the hierarchy of Indian settlements?

A: The hierarchy in Indian settlements is Megacities, metropolitan cities, cities, towns, revenue villages and hamlets.

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