

Tamil Nadu: Population Census Exercise Begins

The population census exercise for 2027 commenced in Tamil Nadu with the Chief Minister and Governor appealing for public participation.

The Population Census is a comprehensive enumeration of a country's population, collecting demographic, social, and economic data.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- The process for the **2027 Census** commenced in **Tamil Nadu** on **July 17, 2026**.
- **Chief Minister Mr. Vijay** officially completed his **self-enumeration** process.
- **Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar** and **Chief Minister Mr. Vijay** appealed to the people to participate in the **self-enumeration exercise**.
- The census process in the state includes an **online self-enumeration** option for **residents**.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The **first population census** in India was conducted non-synchronously in **1872** during the tenure of **Lord Mayo**.

The **first synchronous census** in India was conducted in **1881**.

The Population Census is conducted **every 10 years** in India.

The **Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India**, under the **Ministry of Home Affairs**, is responsible for conducting the census.

Article 246 of the Indian Constitution places the subject of 'Census' under the **Union List (Entry 69)**.

The legal framework for the census in India is provided by the **Census Act of 1948**.

Census data is crucial for government **policy-making, planning, delimitation of constituencies**, and **allocation of resources**.

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