

## THEME 1.1: POPULATION

Fill in the blanks with the helping words given below to complete the following paragraphs.

<i>adequately</i>	<i>Australia</i>	<i>Bangladesh</i>	<i>facilities</i>	<i>farming</i>	<i>good</i>
<i>great</i>	<i>high</i>	<i>increase</i>	<i>industries</i>	<i>jobs</i>	<i>large</i>
<i>living</i>	<i>low</i>	<i>people</i>	<i>poor</i>	<i>resources</i>	<i>shortage</i>
<i>squatter</i>	<i>surplus</i>	<i>unemployment</i>	<i>urban</i>	<i>very</i>	<i>wages</i>

Describe overpopulation. How far does this cause socio-economic problems to a country. Give examples to support your answer. [7]

Overpopulation is when there are too many \_\_\_\_\_ to be adequately supported by the developed \_\_\_\_\_ such as farming, minerals and industries of the country. Countries like India and \_\_\_\_\_ are experiencing overpopulation which can lead to socio-economic problems to the country.

Firstly, overpopulation in India leads to a \_\_\_\_\_ of food supply and the government has to find ways to \_\_\_\_\_ food production to feed the people. Shortage of food may lead to people suffering from \_\_\_\_\_ health and consequently, \_\_\_\_\_ productivity and poverty.

Secondly, overpopulation could cause \_\_\_\_\_ as there are more people than the number of \_\_\_\_\_ available. This will put a strain to the economy of the country as it has to have enough \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ activities to create more jobs for the people.

Finally, the need to house these people is urgent. Poor people in India cannot afford the \_\_\_\_\_ cost of housing and thus lives in \_\_\_\_\_ settlements. Government will have to spend a \_\_\_\_\_ sum of money to improve housing \_\_\_\_\_, and this will put a strain on the country.

In conclusion, overpopulation has cause socio-economic problems to a \_\_\_\_\_ extent as the people cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ fed, educated and cared for, leading to a low standard of \_\_\_\_\_.

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