

9. By far the greatest factor accelerating the growth of population in underdeveloped parts of the world has been the decline in the death rate. With increasing industrialism and accompanying urbanisation, birth rates remain high in many regions, notably in South-East Asia, Latin America, and Africa. (In Europe and North America, birth and death rates are relatively low and the rate of population increase in Europe is in the region of 0.8 per cent a year. In Asia the natural increase is 2.3 per cent and in Latin America it has risen to 2.8 per cent a year.) The full development of resources, and education to produce attitudes favourable to smaller families, notably the introduction of birth control - would seem the only solution to the world population explosion. The fall in the death rate is chiefly due to a widespread campaign against disease, notably malaria, through medical and economic intervention by the United Nations and its specialised agencies. (152 words)

A Significant Growth of Population

The world has witnessed a significant growth of population in underdeveloped areas due to decline in the death rate. In Asia, the growth of population has reached the rate of 2.3 per cent.

Similarly, in Latin America, it stands at the rate of 2.8 percent a year. This decline in death ratio is due to worldwide campaign against diseases. For increasing population, the best solution is to control birth rate.

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