

CHAPTER - 4

TRENDS IN URBANISATION

URBANISATION IN THE UNION TERRITORY OF PUDUCHERRY

INTRODUCTION:

Urbanisation is a process associated with Industrialisation and economic development. The main factor for urbanisation are migration, employment opportunity, better educational and health facilities. As census data provide urban population, growth of towns, proportion of urban population to total population etc., it is very helpful to study the process of urbanisation.

TOWN STATUS IN PUDUCHERRY U.T:

The Union Territory of Puducherry comprises of the former French establishments of Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam which lie scattered in South India – Puducherry embedded between Cuddalore and Villupuram districts of Tamil Nadu and Karaikal in Nagapattinam district of Tamil Nadu, Mahe between Kozhikodu and Kannur districts of Kerala and Yanam within the East Godavari district of Andhra Pradesh. While Puducherry, Karaikal and Yanam lie on the east coast of India, Mahe lies on the West coast.

The French Government transferred the four enclaves to the Indian Union under the defacto treaty on 1st November, 1954 but the ratification of the treaty of Cessation was delayed and ultimately the territory was merged on 16th August, 1962. The French Government had conducted its last decennial census in 1948. No census was conducted in 1951. The first census conducted after merging with Indian union was in 1961.

STATEMENT - 4.1

The status of towns in Puducherry U.T : 1961 – 2011

Census Year	No. of Towns
1961	5
1971	6
1981	6
1991	11
2001	6
2011	10

During 1961 Census, there were 5 Towns viz., 1.Pondicherry(M), 2. Muthialpet(M), 3.Karaikal(M), 4.Mahe(M) and 5.Yanam(M) in Pondicherry while at 1971 Census, there were 6 Towns viz.,1.Pondicherry(M), 2.Mudaliarpet(M), 3.Ozhukarai(CP), 4.Karaikal(M), 5.Mahe(M) and 6.Yanam(M) in Pondicherry. Urban Agglomeration was formed for the first time in the Union Territory of Pondicherry at 1971 census.

During 1981 Census, there were 6 Towns viz., 1.Pondicherry(M), 2.Ozhukarai(CP), 3.Kurumbapet(GP), 4.Karaikal(M), 5.Mahe(M) and 6 Yanam(M) in Pondicherry whereas in 1991 Census, there were 11 Towns of which 5 were Census Towns. The 6 statutory towns were 1.Pondicherry(M), 2.Ozhukarai(CP), 3.Kurumbapet(GP), 4.Karaikal(M), 5.Mahe(M) and 6. Yanam(M).

The 5 Census Towns were

1.Ariankuppam, 2.Villianur, 3.Palloor, 4.Pandakkal and 5.Chalakkara.

During 2001 Census, there were 6 towns all of which are Statutory. The Six Statutory Towns were 1.Yanam (M), 2.Ozhukarai(M), 3.Pondicherry(M), 4.Kurumbapet(GP), 5.Mahe(M) and 6.Karaikal(M). There was no Census Town at 2001.

At 2011 Census, the number of statutory towns remains the same i.e., 6. However, 4 new Census Towns have been formed and these are 1. Ariankuppam (CT) 2. Manavelly (CT) 3.Villainur(CT) and 4. Thirumalairayanpattinam (CT).

During 2011 Census, the Pondicherry UT, Pondicherry District, Pondicherry Taluk and Pondicherry Municipality have been renamed as Puducherry UT, Puducherry District, Puducherry Taluk and Puducherry Municipality respectively.

URBAN AGGLOMERATION AND OUTGROWTH:

As per Census of India 2011, the following are the Urban Agglomeration and Towns in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

STATEMENT - 4.2
U.As and O.Gs in Puducherry U.T: 2001 – 2011

	2001	2011
U.As	1	2
O.Gs	19	1

It is observed from the above statement, the number of U.As has been increased from 1 at 2001 to 2 at 2011. Apart from the Puducherry U.A, 1 new U.A is formed namely Karaikal U.A. Regarding O.Gs the number is decreased from 19 to 1 at 2011. The only one O.G formed at 2011 is Odiampet.

Puducherry Urban Agglomeration consists of 3 Statutory Towns and 3 Census Towns and one Outgrowth as detailed below;

- a) Puducherry Municipality
- b) Ozhukarai Municipality
- c) Kurumbapet(GP)
- d) Odiampet(Outgrowth of Kurumbapet)
- e) Villilanur (CT)
- f) Ariankuppam(CT)
- g) Manavelly(CT)

Karaikal Urban Agglomeration consists of 1 Statutory Town and 1 Census Town

- a) Karaikal Municipality
- b) Thirumalairayanpattinam(CT)

TOWNS HAVING 1,00,000 AND ABOVE POPULATION:

STATEMENT - 4.3

Cities having more than 1,00,000 population

City	Total Population		
	Person	Male	Female
Puducherry (M)	241773	118205	123568
Ozhukarai (M)	300028	148154	151874

There are only 2 cities in Puducherry UT. The Ozhukarai (M) occupies the first position with 300028.

The percentage share of urban population to total population of Union Territory of Puducherry is 68.31. No urban area has been declassified as rural during 2011 Census. However, Manavelly Revenue Village of Puducherry district and Thirumalairayanpattinam Revenue Village of Karaikal districts are formed as new Census Towns. Yanam and Mahe districts are entirely urban, while the remaining two districts of Puducherry and Karaikal comprises both urban and rural areas.

RANKING OF STATES/U.T BY PERCENTAGE OF URBAN POPULATION:

The statement gives the level of urbanisation in various States/UTs at 2011 Census. NCT of Delhi continues its 1st position with 31.16% while Himachal Pradesh retains its last position with 9.79%. Puducherry U.T is in 5th position with 68.31%. Even though the percentage of urban population has been increased from 66.57% to 68.31% at 2011, the rank of Puducherry shifted from 3rd to 5th position. The percentage of urban population in Lakshadweep and Daman & Diu has doubled in 2011.

STATEMENT - 4.4: Ranking of States / U.T by level of urbanisation: 2001 & 2011

State/Uts	Percentage of Urban Population to Total Population	Rank in 2011	Percentage of Urban Population to Total Population	Rank in 2001
INDIA	31.16	-	27.78	-
NCT of Delhi #	97.50	1	93.01	1
Chandigarh #	97.25	2	89.78	2
Lakshadweep #	78.08	3	44.47	6
Daman & Diu #	75.16	4	36.26	10
Puducherry #	68.31	5	66.57	3
Goa	62.17	6	49.77	4
Mizoram	51.51	7	49.5	5
Tamil Nadu	48.45	8	43.86	7
Kerala	47.72	9	25.97	18
Dadra & Nagar Haveli #	46.62	10	22.89	23
Maharashtra	45.23	11	42.4	8
Gujarat	42.58	12	37.35	9
Karnataka	38.57	13	33.98	11
Punjab	37.49	14	33.95	12
Andaman & Nicobar Islands #	35.67	15	32.67	13
Haryana	34.79	16	29.00	14
Andhra Pradesh	33.49	17	27.08	16
West Bengal	31.89	18	28.03	15
Uttarakhand	30.55	19	25.59	19
Manipur	30.21	20	23.88	21
Nagaland	28.97	21	17.74	29
Madhya Pradesh	27.63	22	26.67	17
Jammu & Kashmir	27.21	23	24.88	20
Tripura	26.18	24	17.02	30
Sikkim	24.97	25	11.10	33
Rajasthan	24.89	26	23.38	22
Jharkhand	24.05	27	22.25	24
Chhattisgarh	23.24	28	20.08	27
Arunachal Pradesh	22.67	29	20.41	26
Uttar Pradesh	22.28	30	20.78	25
Meghalaya	20.08	31	19.63	28

State/Uts	Percentage of Urban Population to Total Population	Rank in 2011	Percentage of Urban Population to Total Population	Rank in 2001
Orissa	16.68	32	14.97	31
Assam	14.08	33	12.72	32
Bihar	11.30	34	10.47	34
Himachal Pradesh	10.04	35	9.79	35

Now we will analyse the ranking of district to the total urban population of Puducherry U.T. The 100% urbanisation is registered in Yanam and Mahe districts which are entirely urban followed by Puducherry & Karaikal. The position at 2001 Census continues in 2011 also.

Statement 4.5 gives the ranking of districts by percentage of urban population. Yanam and Mahe showed the first ranking with 100% and Puducherry, Karaikal retained 3rd and 4th ranking respectively. The Statement 4.6 gives the ranking of districts in descending order by percentage of urban population.

STATEMENT - 4.5

Ranking of districts by percentage of urban population: 2001 and 2011

Districts	2011		2001	
	Percentage of Urban Population	Rank	Percentage of Urban Population	Rank
	Yanam	100	1	100
Puducherry	69.13	3	68.81	3
Mahe	100	1	100	1
Karaikal	49.01	4	43.58	4

STATEMENT - 4.6

Ranking of districts in descending order of their percentage of urban population: 2001 and 2011

Districts	2011		2001	
	Percentage of Urban Population	Rank	Percentage of Urban Population	Rank
	Yanam	100	1	100
Mahe	100	1	100	1
Puducherry	69.13	3	68.81	3
Karaikal	49.01	4	43.58	4

POPULATION OF U.As/ TOWNS BY SIZE CLASS IN PUDUCHERRY U.T.:

STATEMENT - 4.7

Number and population of UAs/Cities/Towns by size class in Puducherry U.T: 2001-2011

Size Class of UA/Town	No. of UA/Town		Population		Percentage share of Population
	2011	2001	2011	2001	2011
ALL CLASSES	4	4	850123	648619	100
CLASS I	1	1	654392	505959	76.98
CLASS II	2	1	153797	74438	18.09
CLASS III	1	2	41934	68222	4.93
CLASS IV	-	-	-	-	-
CLASS V	-	-	-	-	-
CLASS VI					

- a) Class I (1,00,000 & above)
- b) Class II (50,000-99,999)
- c) Class III(20,000-49,999)
- d) Class IV(10,000-19,999)

Class I town has registered 6,54,392 population at 2011 followed by class II with 1,53,797 the population in Class II towns has been doubled due to shifting of one Class III town to Class II. This also results in decrease in population in Class III towns. Class IV to Class IV are not available for Puducherry U.T.

STATEMENT - 4.8

Percentage share of population of U.As having 1,00,000 and above in Puducherry U.T

Name of the U.A	District Name	Total Population - 2011	Proportion of urban population to Total Urban Population
Puducherry U.A	Puducherry	654392	76.98

In order to obtain proportion of urban population as shown in the last column of the statement, we have to divide the U.A population with Total Urban Population of the district. Puducherry U.A is the only U.A having more than 1,00,000 population in the Puducherry U.T.