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## INTRODUCTION

In 1994, Member States at the United Nations International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD)<sup>1</sup> in Cairo agreed that “population-related goals and policies are integral parts of cultural, economic and social development”. Today, even more than in the past, population issues are at the forefront of policy debates. In many countries, demographic concerns are shaping policy decisions on pensions and social security, health care, international and internal migration and the environment. Population issues are also at the core of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals.<sup>2</sup> Given the emphasis placed by the international community on the achievement of such goals, it is important to assess and monitor the actions taken by Governments towards including population issues in their national development strategies.

As in previous United Nations Inquiries, the purpose of the United Nations Tenth Inquiry among Governments on Population and Development is to assist the United Nations in the collection and dissemination of information on national population policies.<sup>3</sup> Governments are encouraged to discuss their views and policies on population issues in light of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals. This will be especially important given that in 2009, the United Nations Commission on Population and Development will focus on the contribution of the Programme of Action of the ICPD to the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals.

Replies to this Inquiry should be returned by **30 June 2009**, to the Director of the Population Division of the United Nations Secretariat at the address shown below.

If, in the course of responding to this Inquiry, the Government finds that further clarification is needed, the Government is invited to contact:

The Director  
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For purposes of clarification, it will be most helpful if the Office chiefly responsible for the preparation and/or coordination of responses to this Inquiry is identified (please provide full name and address of the office):

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<sup>1</sup>Report of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 5-13 September 1994 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.95.XIII.18), chap. II, principle 5.

<sup>2</sup> General Assembly resolution 55/2 and #



107. Is there a Government agency or agencies responsible for formulating, coordinating or

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	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>

122. Please specify any measures taken by the Government to address these constraints in the official national pop M M M pf

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## SECTION 2. POPULATION GROWTH, SIZE AND AGE STRUCTURE

201. What is the view of the Government concerning the present size of the country's population?

1.  Satisfactory  
2.  Not satisfactory, too small  
3.  Not satisfactory, too large  
4.  No official position

202. What is the view of the Government concerning the present rate of population growth?

1.  Satisfactory  
2.  Not satisfactory, too low  
3.  Not satisfactory, too high  
4.  No official position

203. What is the policy of the Government concerning the rate of population growth?

1.  Raise the rate of population growth  
2.  Maintain the rate of population growth  
3.  Lower the rate of population growth  
4.  No intervention

204. To what extent does the Government view the number of children (persons under age 15) in the country as an issue of concern?

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SECTION 3. HEALTH AND MORTALITY

301. What is the view of the Government concerning the present level of mortality in the country?

1.  Acceptable  
 2.  Not acceptable  
 3.  No official position

302. What is the view of the Government concerning the present expectation of life at birth?

1.  Acceptable  
 2.  Not acceptable  
 3.  No official position

303. What is the view of the Government concerning the present level of under-five mortality?

1.  Acceptable  
 2.  Not acceptable  
 3.  No official position

304. What is the view of the Government concerning the present level of maternal mortality?

1.  Acceptable  
 2.  Not acceptable  
 3.  No official position

305. Has the Government implemented measures, policies or programmes to reduce the following types of mortality?

	Yes	No
306. Under-five mortality	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
307. Maternal mortality	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
308. Adult mortality	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>

309. Please specify the measures, policies or programmes implemented.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Health and Mortality.

310. Has the Government identified any specific population groups whose mortality levels are of particular concern? (For example: groups characterized in terms of age, sex, ethnicity, occupation, income, region).

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 313)

311. If yes, please specify those groups whose levels of mortality are of particular concern.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Health and Mortality.

312. Please specify any measures, policies or programmes implemented to address concerns regarding the levels of mortality of those particular groups.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Health and Mortality.

## HIV/AIDS

313. What is the view of the Government concerning the prevalence of HIV/AIDS in the country?
1.  Major concern  
2.  Minor concern  
3.  Not a concern  
4.  No official position
314. What is the view of the Government concerning progress made in controlling the spread of HIV?
1.  Significant progress  
2.  Some progress  
3.  Little progress  
4.  No progress  
5.  Not a concern
315. What is the view of the Government concerning progress made in treating those affected by HIV/AIDS?
1.  Significant progress  
2.  Some progress  
3.  Little progress  
4.  No progress  
5.  Not a concern
316. Has the Government established a national authority charged with coordinating policies and programmes to deal with the HIV/AIDS epidemic?
1.  Yes  
2.  No (Go to 318)
317. If yes, please provide the name of the national authority.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked HIV/AIDS.

318. Has the Government implemented a national action framework for HIV/AIDS that provides the basis for coordinating the work of all partners?
1.  Yes  
2.  No (Go to 320)





## OTHER HEALTH CONDITIONS OR DISEASES

341. To what extent does the Government view other sexually transmitted infections as an issue of concern in the country?

1.  Major concern

3.  Not a concern (Go to 343)

2.  Minor concern

4.  No official position (Go to 343)

342. Please specify the type or types of sexually transmitted infections and the degree of concern regarding each.















422. Please indicate whether emergency contraceptive pills are permitted as a contraceptive method.

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 424)

423. If yes, please specify any restrictions governing access (for example age, marital status).

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Fertility and Family Planning.

424. Please indicate whether sterilization of men or women is permitted as a contraceptive method.

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 426)

425. If yes, please specify any restrictions governing access (for example age, number of living children, marital status, the consent of the spouse). Please indicate the restrictions applying to the sterilization of men and women separately.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Fertility and Family Planning.

426. Please specify whether divorce is permitted.

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 428)

427. If yes, please describe the conditions under which divorce is permitted.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Fertility and Family Planning.

428. Please specify the current legal minimum age at marriage for women and men:

	Without parental consent	With parental consent
For women	429.	431.
For men	430.	432.

SECTION 5. POPULATION DISTRIBUTION, URBANIZATION  
AND INTERNAL MIGRATION

501. What is the view of the Government concerning the present spatial distribution of the population within the boundaries of the country?

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|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Major change desired | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory         |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Minor change desired | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> No official position |

502. What is the view of the Government concerning the present rate of change of the urban population?

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|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory              | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too high |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too low | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> No official position       |

503. What is the view of the Government concerning the present rate of change of the rural population?

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|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory              | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too high |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too low | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> No official position       |

504. Has the Government adopted a policy to modify population distribution within the boundaries of the country in the last five years?

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | 2. <input type="checkbox"/> No (Go to 513) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|

505. If yes, please indicate which of the following describes the goals of the population policy:

No                      No

512. Please describe the various measures implemented to modify population distribution within the boundaries of the country.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Population Distribution, Urbanization and Internal Migration.

513. To what extent does the Government view the number of slum dwellers in the country as an issue of concern?

1.



SECTION 6. INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION

601. What is the view of the Government concerning present levels of legal immigration into the country?

1.  Satisfactory  
 2.  Not satisfactory, too low  
 3.  Not satisfactory, too high  
 4.  No official position

602. What is the policy of the Government concerning the level of legal immigration?

1.  Raise the level of legal immigration  
 2.  Maintain the level of legal immigration  
 3.  Lower the level of legal immigration  
 4.  No intervention

603. For each of the following types of immigration flows, please indicate the current policy of the Government:

	Type of flow	Raise	Maintain	Lower	No intervention	No policy
604.	Permanent settlement	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
605.	Temporary labour migration	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
606.	Seasonal worker migration	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
607.	Highly-skilled migration	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
608.	Family reunification	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
609.	Foreign student admissions	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
610.	Refugees	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
611.	Asylum-seekers	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
612.	Unauthorized or irregular migration	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

613. Has the Government taken measures to deal with unauthorized migrants or those in an irregular situation?

1.  Yes  
 2.  No (Go to 615)



621. What is the view of the Government concerning the level of emigration from the country?

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|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfactory              | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too high |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Not satisfactory, too low | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> No official position       |

622. What is the policy of the Government concerning the level of emigration?

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Raise the level of emigration    | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Lower the level of emigration |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain the level of emigration | 4. <input type="checkbox"/> No intervention (Go to 624)   |

623. Please describe the various policies regarding emigration.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Emigration.

624. Does the Government have a policy to support temporary emigration of citizens to work abroad?

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | 2. <input type="checkbox"/> No (Go to 626) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|

625. If yes, please describe the various measures taken to support temporary emigration of citizens to work abroad.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Emigration.

626. Does the Government have a policy to support temporary emigration of citizens to study abroad and acquire needed skills?

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | 2. <input type="checkbox"/> No (Go to 628) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|

627. If yes, please describe the various measures taken to support temporary emigration of citizens to study abroad and acquire needed skills.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Emigration.

628. Does the Government have a policy of encouraging the return of citizens who have emigrated?

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 701)

629. If yes, please describe the various measures taken to encourage the return of citizens who have emigrated.

Note: If more space is needed, please attach a sheet marked Emigration.

## SECTION 7. DATA AVAILABILITY

701. Is there a functioning system of death registration in the country?

1.  Yes

2.  No

702. What is the level of coverage of death registration in the country?

1.  99 to 100 per cent

4.  Less than 70 per cent

2.  90 to 98 per cent

5.  No information

3.  70 to 89 per cent

703. What is the view of the Government concerning the coverage of death registration in the country?

1.  Major concern

3.  Not a concern

2.  Minor concern

4.  No official position

704. Has the Government undertaken any measures to improve coverage of death registration?

1.  Yes

2.  No (Go to 706)

705. If yes, please describe the programmes implemented to achieve Har. a

708. What is the view of the Government concerning the coverage of birth registration in the country?

1.  Major concern

3.  Not a concern

2.  Minor concern

4.  No official position

709. Has the Government undertaken any measures to improve coverage of birth registration?

1.  Yes t MM