

CHAPTER -2

DISTRICT PROFILE

SHIMLA DISTRICT

2.1) LOCATION

Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh, lies between the longitude 77.00" and 78.19" East and latitude 30.45" and 31.44" North, having its headquarters situated at Shimla. It is surrounded by Mandi and Kullu in the North, Kinnaur in the East, Uttarakhand in the South-East, Solan to the South-West and Sirmour in the South. The elevation of the district ranges from 300mt.(984ft) to 6000mt.(19,685ft).

2.2) CLIMATE

The climate in Shimla district is predominantly cool during winters, and moderately warm during summer. Temperatures typical range from 4 degree to 31 degree centigrade over the course of year. The average temperature during summer is 19 degree and 28 degree centigrade, and in winter 1 degree and 10 degree centigrade. Monthly precipitation varies from 15ml. in November to 434ml. in August. It is typically around 45ml. per month during winter and spring, 175ml. in June. The average total precipitation is 1575ml. which is less than other hill stations. Snowfall in this region, has taken place in the month of December. But it has been happening in January or early February every year for the last fifteen years.

2.3) DEMOGRAPHY

According to the 2011 census Shimla district has a population of 8,13,384 persons with males 4,24,486 and females 3,88,898. The rural population is 6,11,884 and urban population is 2,01,500. The district has a population density of 159 inhabitants per square kilometer.

Shimla district population growth rate over the decade 2001-2011 was 12.58%. (Rural population growth rate over the decade 2001-2011 was 10.20% and Urban population growth rate over the decade 2001-2011 was 20.49%).

Shimla district has sex ratio of 916 females for every 1000 males. (Rural sex ratio of 952 per 1000 males and urban sex ratio of 816 per 1000males). Its literacy rate of 84.55% with males 90.73% ,females 77.80%.

It has highest urban population of all districts in Himachal Pradesh. Percentage of Urban population to total population is 24.77% of district Shimla.

2.4) GEOGRAPHY

Shimla district lies in the North-Western ranges of the Himalayas. It is located 31.6° N 77.10° E with an average altitude of 2397.59 meters (7866.10 ft) above mean sea level. The city is spread on a ridge and its seven spurs. The city stretches nearly 9.2km. from east to west. The highest point in Shimla at 2454 meters is the Jakhoo hill. Shimla is a Zone 4 (High Damage Risk Zone) per the Earthquake hazard zoning

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of India. Weak construction techniques and increasing population pose a serious threat to the already earthquake prone region.

There are no bodies of water near the main city and the closest river Sutlej, is about 21 km. away. Other rivers that flow through the Shimla district, although further from the city are Giri,Pabbar(both are tributaries of Yamuna). The green belt in Shimla district planning area is spread over 414 hectares (1023 acres).

The main forest in and around the district are that of Pine, Deodar,Oak and Rhododendron. Environmental degradation due to the increasing number of tourists. Every year without infrastructure to support them has resulted in Shimla losing its popular appeal as an ecotourism spot. Another rising concern in the region are the frequent number of landslides that often take place after heavy rains.

2.5) GEOGRAPHICAL PROFILE OF SHIMLA DISTRICT

2.5.1) LOCATION GEOGRAPHICAL

- (a) Latitude: 30.45" and 31.44" North
- (b) Longitude: 77.00" and 78.19" East
- (c) Height from mean sea level 300 meter to 6000 meter

2.5.2) AREA

Sr no.	Item	Year	Particular
1,	Total area	2011	5131 Sq kms.
2,	Area under forest	2011	3418 Sq Kms.
3,	Area under cultivation	2011	89454 hect.
4,	Total Population	2011	8,13,384 Persons
5,	Density Population	2011	159 person/sq.km
6,	Sex Ratio	2011	916 females/1000 males

2.6) ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION / SUB-DIVISION/ TEHSIL/ SUB- TEHSIL/VIDHAN SABHA CONSTITUENCIES

District	Sub-Division	Tehsil	Sub-Tehsil	Constituency
Shimla	Shimla(U)	Shimla(U)		Shimla(U)
	Shimla(R)	Shimla(R) Seoni	Junga	Shimla(R) Kasumpti
	Theog	Theog Kotkhai		Theog
	Rampur	Rampur Kumarsain	Nankhari	Rampur
	Chopal	Chopal	Nerwa Cheta(Kupwi)	Chopal
	Rohroo	Rohroo Jubbal Chirgaon	Tikker	Rohroo Jubbal
	Dodra Kawar	Dodra Kawar		

2.7) POPULATION

Tehsil/Sub-Tehsil	Total/ Rural/ Urban	Persons	Population	
			Males	Females
Rampur	Total	77,396	40,568	36,828
	Rural	67,086	34,971	32,115
	Urban	10,310	5,597	4,713
Nankhari	Total	26,216	13,234	12,982
	Rural	26,216	13,234	12,982
	Urban	0	0	0
Kumarsain	Total	43,262	21,987	21,275
	Rural	42,361	21,457	20,904
	Urban	901	530	371
Seoni	Total	35,379	17,611	17,768

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	Rural	32,788	16,223	16,565
	Urban	2,591	1,388	1,203
Shimla(R)	Total	84,240	43,883	40,357
	Rural	82,181	42,450	39,731
	Urban	2,059	1,433	626
Shimla (U)	Total	69,758	93,364	76,394
	Rural	0	0	0
	Urban	69,758	93,364	76,394
Junga	Total	13,398	6,832	6,566
	Rural	13,398	6,832	6,566
	Urban	0	0	0
Theog	Total	84,672	43,227	41,445
	Rural	80,321	40,962	39,359
	Urban	4,351	2,265	2,086
Chopal	Total	31,133	15,970	15,163
	Rural	29,277	14,937	14,340
	Urban	1,856	1,033	823
Cheta	Total	19,459	10,085	9,374
	Rural	19,459	10,085	9,374
	Urban	0	0	0
Nerwa	Total	36,490	18,713	17,777
	Rural	36,490	18,713	17,777
	Urban	0	0	0
Jubbal	Total	37,232	19,136	18,096
	Rural	35,596	18,210	17,386
	Urban	1,636	926	710
Kotkhai	Total	39,151	20,020	19,131
	Rural	37,991	19,363	18,628
	Urban	1,160	657	503
Tikar	Total	13,865	7,244	6,621
	Rural	13,865	7,244	6,621
	Urban	0	0	0
Rohru	Total	49,336	25,534	23,802
	Rural	42,458	21,776	20,682

	Urban	6,878	3,758	3,120
Chirgaon	Total	46,027	23,749	22,278
	Rural	46,027	23,749	22,278
	Urban	0	0	0
Dodra-Kwar	Total	6,370	3,329	3,041
	Rural	6,370	3,329	3,041
	Urban	0	0	0

2.8) EDUCATION

2.8.1) PERCENTAGE LITERACY

1.	Males	2011	90.73%
2.	Females	2011	77.80%
3.	Total	2011	84.55%

2.8.2) NUMBER OF SCHOOLS

Blocks	1 st to 8 th	Secondary	Hr. Secondary	Total
Chauhara	162	17	8	187
Chopal	109	9	10	128
Deha	81	5	5	91
Dodrakwar	18	1	2	21
Jubbal	123	6	17	146
Kasumpati	94	14	10	118
Kotkhai	131	10	18	159
Kumarsain	138	8	15	161
Kupvi	64	3	9	73
Mashobra	95	12	17	124
Matiana	72	5	7	84
Nankhari	103	4	12	119
Nerwa	144	14	12	170
Rampur	132	13	12	157
Rampur-2	114	11	9	134

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Rohru	118	9	15	142
Shimla-4	144	23	36	203
Suni	127	11	14	152
Theog	99	10	8	117
Tikkar	63	2	7	72

2.9) NO. OF HOSPITALS

2.9.1) Allopathic

Hospitals	=	9
Dispensaries	=	4
PHC / CHC	=	92
Sub Centre	=	251

Sr. No.	Block	Civil Hospital	PHC/CHC	Dispensaries	Sub Centre	Total
1.	Mashobra	0	8	0	38	46
2.	Theog	0	9	0	31	40
3.	Narkanda	1	9	0	20	30
4.	Rampur	1	10	1	20	32
5.	Jubbal Kotkhai	0	13	0	33	46
6.	Rohru	0	8	0	24	32
7.	Chauhara	0	6	0	23	29
8.	Chopal	1	8	0	27	36
9.	Basantpur	1	8	0	18	27
10.	Nankhari	0	5	0	13	18
11.	Teh. Shimla (Urban)	5	8	3	4	20
	Total	9	92	4	251	356

2.9.2) AYURVEDIC

Hospitals = 3

Dispensaries = 144

Sr. No.	Block	Hospitals	Dispensaries
1.	Mashobra	0	28
2.	Theog	0	11
3.	Narkanda	0	5
4.	Rampur	0	22
5.	Jubbal Kotkhai	0	22
6.	Rohru	0	10
7.	Chauhara	0	12
8.	Chopal	0	21
9.	Basantpur	0	5
10.	Nankhari	0	4
11.	Teh. Shimla (Urban)	3	4
	Total	3	144

2.10) NO. OF PANCHAYATS

Sr. No.	Block	Panchyats	Backward Panchyats
1.	Mashobra	45	0
2.	Theog	50	4
3.	Narkanda	26	2
4.	Rampur	31	14
5.	Jubbal Kotkhai	48	2

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6.	Rohru	32	5
7.	Chauhara	31	31
8.	Chopal	54	16
9.	Basantpur	29	6
10.	Nankhari	17	3
	Total	363	83