



# Population Enumeration : Phase II

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# Outline

- Introduction and Ground Rules
- Introduction to Population Enumeration
- Objectives, Utility, Dates
- Roles and responsibilities of Enumerator/Supervisor
- Legal Provisions

# Historical Background



- Attempts made since ancient times
- The celebrated ARTHASHASTRA, the Principles of Government, as evolved by one of the great genius of political administration, Kautilya, during the days of the Mauryas in the 3rd century B.C prescribed the collection of population statistics as a measure of state policy for the purpose of taxation.
- AIN-E-AKBARI, a sixteenth century treatise on the Mughal administration, also lays emphasis on importance of census as a tool for decision-making

## Historical Background



- **First Census was conducted in 1872**
- **The year 1881 marks the beginning of simultaneous Census covering the entire country**
- **Since 1881, Census is being conducted every 10 years**
- **Census 2011 will be the 15<sup>th</sup> Census since 1872 and 7<sup>th</sup> after Independence**

# Objective



Complete coverage and accurate enumeration of all the people:

- *who and how many*
- *what do they do and how often*

*The Census provides valuable information about the land and its people at a given point of time*

# Use of Census Data

## Census - Not merely a head count!

- Valuable information for **planning** and **formulation** of policies:
- The **number** of seats as well as the **boundaries** in Parliamentary/Assembly Constituencies, Panchayat and other Local Bodies
- **Effective** Public Administration: Only agency to provide primary village, town and ward level data
- Used in 5-year plan, annual plan of Central & State Govts.
- It is also **widely used** by scholars, business people, industrialists and development workers

# Time line: Two Phases of Census

**Phase 1:** Houselisting and Housing Census and canvassing of Household Schedule of National Population Register (NPR): (45 days) between April and September, 2010

**Phase 2:** Population Enumeration: 9<sup>th</sup> February to 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2011

Revisional round : 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2011

# Time line: Population Enumeration

**Phase 2:** Population Enumeration: 9<sup>th</sup> February to March, 2011

- Census Moment and Reference moment for Census 2011 will be 00:00 hours of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011
- Revisional round : 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2011
- Re-visit
- Births, Deaths and Arrivals of Visitors after 00:00 hours of 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2011 will not be taken note by you



## Duties of Enumerator before Population Enumeration

- Attend the training
- Study and understand the Population Enumeration Manual and schedule thoroughly
- Clarify doubts
- Obtain all necessary materials for Houselisting – including the list of Schedule Castes and Scheduled Tribes pertaining to your State

## Duties of Enumerator during Population Enumeration

- Identify boundaries and other landmarks of Houselisting Blocks with the help of the Abridged House List ( AHL) of the block
- Prepare the layout map of the Enumeration Block
- Visit every house and fill up the Household Schedule
- Simultaneously update relevant Sections of the AHL :  
Section 2, 3, 4
- Enumerate Houseless population on the night of 28<sup>th</sup> February 2011

## Duties of Enumerator after Population Enumeration

- Undertake revisional round and update records
- Strike “Page totals” on day-to-day basis during revisional round
- Ensure that the filled-in Household schedules, AHL are completely and correctly filled
- Ensure entire area assigned is covered without omission
- Strike “Page totals”

## Duties of Enumerator after Population Enumeration

- Fill up working sheet for preparing Enumerator's Abstract
- Prepare Enumerator's Abstract
- Fill up Section 5 and 6 of the AHL
- Arrange in order and handover all documents filled in as well as blank documents with the Supervisor's and Enumerator's copies of the **Certificate of complete coverage and inventory of used/ unused material** to your Supervisor

## Duties of Supervisors

- Identify your area of jurisdiction, collect Supervisor-Booklet from Charge Officer, record details in the booklet and prepare a supervisory circle map
- Help the Enumerators under your jurisdiction
- Ensure that work is done as per schedule
- Ensure complete coverage (no omission, no duplication)

## Duties of Supervisors

- Collect the filled in and blank forms and statements
- Forward the documents, duly signed to the Charge Officer within the stipulated time
- Other jobs assigned from time to time

# Legal Provisions: Relevant Acts and Rules

## Census Operations

Census Act, 1948

&

Census Rules, 1990

## Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)

### NOTE

- All Census officers are appointed u/s 4 of the Act
- **ALL OF US ARE WORKING UNDER THE ACT**





## Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)

### Obligation of the Census Officers/Staff

- Cannot refuse duty
- Cannot obstruct anyone from performing duty
- Cannot put offensive, improper or unauthorised question(s)
- Cannot knowingly make a false return
- Cannot disclose any Census information

**Punishment :- Imprisonment up to 3 years and/or fine up to Rs. 1000/- (Sec. 11 of the Act)**

## Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)

### Rights of an Enumerator & Provisions of the Census Act 1948

- To **enter** house, enclosure, vessel, or any other place
- To **paint or affix numbers** on the building/Census house
- To **ask** all such questions as printed in the Census Schedules
- To **obtain** the answers from respondents

## **Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)**

### **Other Provisions**

**Section 15A of the Act:  
Service interests of the members of the Census Staff  
are given due protection  
Census Duty is considered as “On Duty”**

**Section 15B of the Act:  
Any act undertaken in good faith by the Census Staff  
under the Census Act and Rules is protected**

## **Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)**

### **Obligation of the Public (Sec. 8/9 of the Act)**

- **To allow entry to the Census staff in her/his house**
- **To allow painting of number on her/his house**
- **To give correct information to the best of her/his knowledge & belief**

**Punishment for violation:-**

**Fine upto Rs. 1000/- (Sec 11 of the Act)**

## **Legal Provisions: Census Act 1948 (Contd.)**

### **Confidentiality of Census Records (Sec.15 of the Act)**

#### **CENSUS RECORDS**

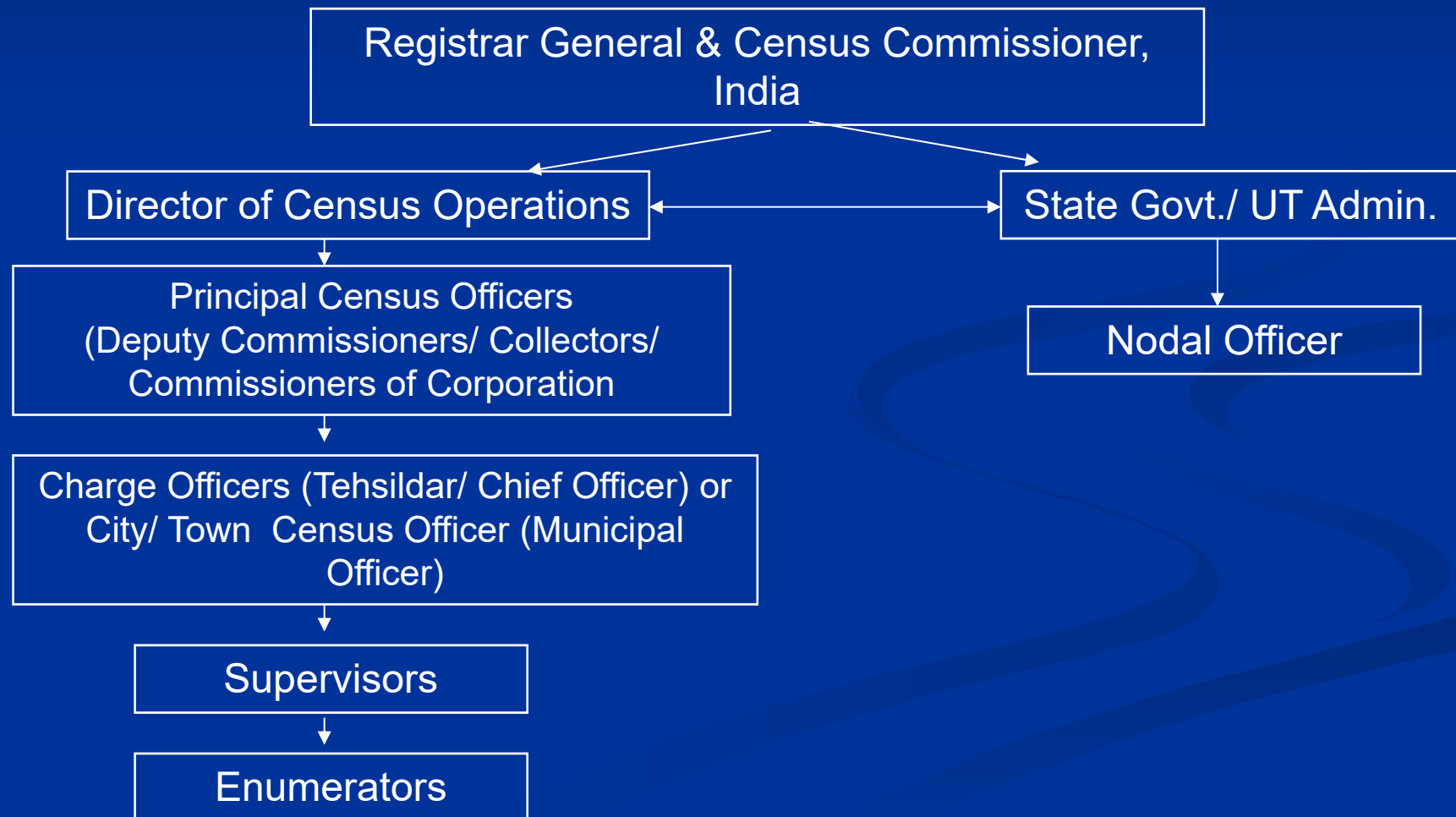
not open to inspection nor admissible as evidence

## Legal Provisions: Other Relevant Act

- The **Right of Children** to free and compulsory Primary Education Act, 2009 which states :

*“No teacher shall be deployed for any non-educational purpose other than the **decennial population Census, disaster relief duties or duties relating to elections to the local authority or the State Legislature, or the Parliament, as the case may be.**”*

# Census Hierarchy



Thank You