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1. Although ^{India's} working-age population will continue to grow, it would need to keep an eye on declining fertility rate: substantiate.

UN population report shows global fertility rate is declining, providing a ~~making up~~ the world for future measures to handle the situation

Current Status!

<u>Global population</u>	<u>Global fertility</u>
- Increasing steadily and about to reach 8.5 bn by 2050	- Decreasing for the past 70 years.
<u>Advanced countries</u>	<u>Developing & poorer countries</u>
- Fertility decline is slower eg: UK took 130 years to decrease from 5 to 2 per woman	- Decline is faster. eg: South Korea took 20 yrs for such decline.

Impact:

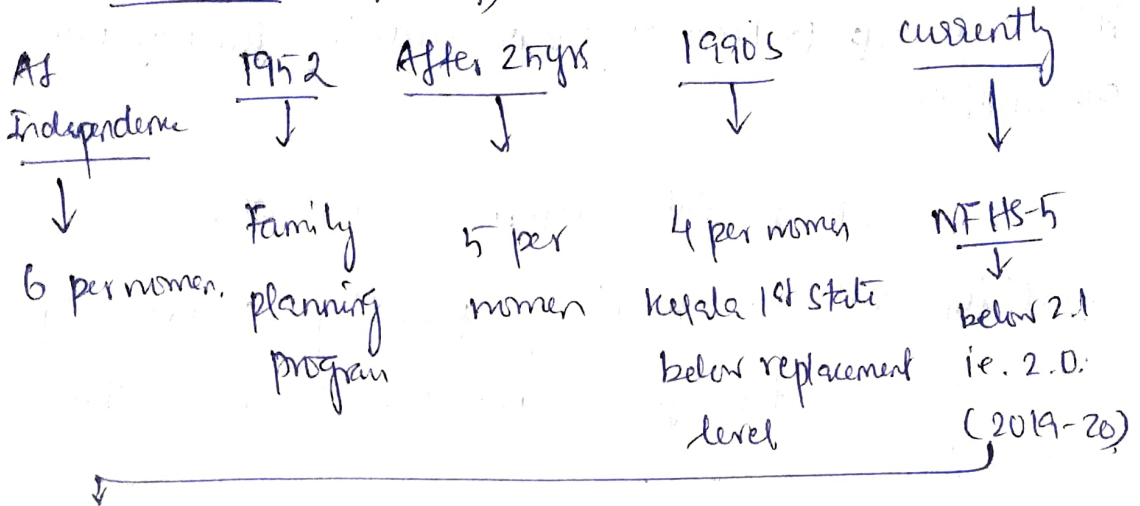
Japan is the 1st country to feel the impact of declining fertility. Its economy has been facing zero growth rate since 1990s

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India's case. (fertility)



Reasons:

1. More educated women - decision.
2. Use of more contraceptives
3. Better health care.

Implications of declining fertility

Positive	Negative
<p>1. <u>Social</u>: women's status in the society improve. Promotes women's education</p> <p>2. <u>Economic</u>: i) More proportion of working age population ii) contribution to economy increases iii) Increase in investment and savings</p> <p>3. <u>Environment</u>: Less pressure on finite resources</p>	<p>1. 'creativity dip' - with declining fertility, the innovative measures may decrease</p> <p>2. Cause <u>Negative impact</u> on working age population & burden may reduce output</p> <p>3. Increase in the <u>aged population</u> in future.</p>

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Measures :

1. Increased Healthcare & nutrition - improves life expectancy and productivity of oldest.

2. women working hour flexibility → ^{promotion} ~~may~~
^{allowing} ^{of} more than 2 children may address
the declining fertility and productivity.

Global examples

a) Germany - Liberalised labour laws with more
parental care leave.

b) Denmark - incentives for IVF in women
below 40 yrs.

c) Russia - 1 time settlement for 2nd
child. birth.

Thus it is wakeup call for
countries to ~~re~~ prepare for future welfare
of the population