

# **Population Change in Karnataka' A Decadal Overview A Taluk wise Study**

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Under the impact of Globalization, the studies on Population have acquired great importance in recent years. Its impact on population growth and distribution has drawn the attention of the researchers towards the study of its different dimensions. In view of this, the current investigation has endeavoured to understand and analyse the trends and levels of population growth by taluks in Karnataka for the decades 1981-1991 and 1991-2001. The study was based on secondary data and it has brought out that over the decades there has been no significant change in the growth rate of urban population in Karnataka State as a whole. But, there was a continuous rise in urban population in some taluks like Bangalore, Mysore, Hubli-Dharwad, Belgaum, Shimoga, Mangalore etc.