

Worksheet 2

VOCABULARY

INDIA'S DEMOGRAPHIC CHALLENGE

Populous

To comprise

To overtake

To strain

Despite

Selective birth practices

Estimated

Weed production

To remain

Net food importer

Storage facilities

To be compounded

To hamper

Abundant

Currently

Disproportion ratio

To stabilize

To lack

Literacy

Rural population

Improved

Internal cohesiveness

To provide

**QUESTIONS**

1. What is India's population?
2. What is the total world population?
3. When is it estimated to overtake China as the most populous country?
4. What is the government struggling to provide for the people in India?
5. Why is the high population a challenge to the Indian government?
6. India is called a global leader in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ production, second only to \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Why is the country a net food importer?
8. \_\_\_\_\_ is another key challenge facing India.
9. What is India's coal reserve?
10. What social challenges does India's high population bring?
11. What is India's literacy rate?
12. What is needed to help India become a better place to live despite its rising population?