

## English - ICOM Part 2 English chapter 9 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. How did India face famine?

**Ans 1:** The worst famine occurred in India in 1964-65. It was due to failure of the monsoons. A year later, India still faced an even worse threat of famine.

Q2. Which famine is mentioned in the Bible?

**Ans 1:** We read in the Bible many cases of famine. There were seven years of famine in Egypt and the surrounding countryside during the time of Joseph.

Q3. How can the problem of population explosion be solved?

**Ans 1:** The most important measure to check the increase in population is to create a desire among people to limit the size of the family.

Q4. What is the history of Famine in China?

**Ans 1:** China has to face 90 major famines in one century. In the last century, nine and half million people perished in a single famine in North China.

Q5. Why is birth rate, according to the writer, not so high in the more advanced countries?

**Ans 1:** In the most advanced countries, the birth rate has been reduced by various methods. They have introduced contraceptives and other medical facilities for family planning. They have educated their public about limited family. Hence their birth rate is not high.

Q6. What is the role of public health measure in the increase of population?

**Ans 1:** Public health measures are quite important in increasing population as better health facilities reduce death rate, and reduction in death rate is the main cause of increase in population.

Q7. Describe some great famines of the past.

**Ans 1:** China had 90 major famines in one century. Ten million died in the great famine of Bengal in 1969-70. There was the worst of the century in India in 1964-65. The Russian Famine in 1921-1922 killed several million people.

Q8. What is meant by birth rate in "Hunger and population Explosion".

**Ans 1:** Birth rate means the number of births per 100 population while the death rate means the number of deaths per 100 people. When birth rate is greater than the death rate, population increases.

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Q9. What does hunger mean on a large scale as viewed by the author?

**Ans 1:** According to the author, real hunger means never having enough to eat. It also means a situation in which there is a shortage of food and one is always wondering where the next meal is coming from or even if there will be a next meal.

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Q10. What are the main causes of famine?

**Ans 1:** Famines occur because of three reasons: by the shortage of food when too many people are there to eat, by the failure of crops, or by the lack of rain.

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