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INDIA: COPING WITH POPULATION GROWTH

VIDEO

NIGHT SCENE. RIVER SHOT
BLAZING FUNERAL PYRE GANGES
HOSPITAL BIRTH
CROWD

DELHI TRAIN STATION

RANJIT ON-CAMERA

MUMBAI STREETS

LAUNDRY DEPOT

RANJIT AND BROTHER FARMING

AUDIO

NARRATION

Every second someone dies in the world ...

Every two seconds – 10 children are born
somewhere ...

...pushing global population to nearly 7 billion
people this year. (12)

In India, it's causing a movement of people like
24-year-old Ranjit Kumar Singh from rural villages
to big cities such as New Delhi. (9)

RANJIT: (HINDI) M

*"I came to Delhi so that I can earn some money
and give my kids a new opportunity."* (4.5)

NARRATION

Experts say that within 20 years, India will
overtake China as the most populous nation on
the planet. (7)

Ranjit was a farmer in Bihar, northeast India –
also known as the bread basket of the country.

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| PEOPLE MOVING WITH LUGGAGE DELHI/LUGGAGE/PEOPLE/TRAINS | (6) His story is one of more than 300 million stories of people relocating and making sacrifices in search of a better life for their children. He didn't want them to grow up and become farmers like he had. |
| DENSE TRAFFIC | (14) |
| RANJIT ON-CAMERA | <u>RANJIT:</u> (HINDI) <i>"In the village we don't have many schools and they can't get a full education."</i> (5.5) |
| VENDORS ROADWAY GYPSIES | <u>NARRATION</u> But movement of migrants like Ranjit is a burden on already stretched State resources. (6) |
| INTRO SINGH | <u>NARRATION</u> Ena Singh is the Assistant Representative of the United Nations Population Fund in India. (6) |
| SINGH ON-CAMERA | <u>SINGH:</u> (ENGLISH) F <i>"The problem is that so far when migration is talked about casually, it's just assumed to be a problem for the city."</i> (5.5) |
| SINGH ON-CAMERA | <u>NARRATION</u> But it's also a problem for the rural areas as more and more people shift to city life. (6) |
| PEOPLE IN STREET, CROWD OR LIFE IN BIHAR/FARMING | To keep up with the numbers, every decade the Government of India conducts a census – the largest in the world. (6.5) |
| CHANDRAMOULI ON-CAMERA | <u>CHANDRAMOULI:</u> (ENGLISH) M <i>"The basic objective is to review the past, assess</i> |

the present, and plan for the future. “ (5.5)

NARRATION

INTRO TO CHANDRAMOULI

Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India, Dr. C. Chandramouli... (5)

CHANDRAMOULI: (ENGLISH)

CHANDRAMOULI ON-CAMERA

“We present a snapshot of the entire country.”
(3)

NARRATION

CROWDS IN THE STREET

This year’s census clocked India’s population at a staggering 1.21 billion. Information from the census prompted the government to increase resources for social services and healthcare.
(14)

RANJIT BACK TO HIS VILLAGE W/
FAMILY

This is good news for migrants like Ranjit. But back in his village living conditions remain dire. As a loyal son, Ranjit continues helping his family with living expenses. (13.5)

RANJIT INSTRUCTS WORKERS
CHATting WITH BROTHER

Now he’s encouraging some of his relatives to join him in New Delhi where the demand for construction workers is high. (7)

RANJIT: (HINDI)

RANJIT ON-CAMERA

“I am bringing everyone from the village here, so that they can learn, and they too can teach their kids.” (6.5)

NARRATION

RUNNING/CATCHING TRAIN

Ranjit’s younger sibling, Ranashish, decided to follow in his footsteps - moving to New Delhi. But the city’s ability to sustain this rapid population shift will be the deciding factor in whether he

stays or returns to his village in Bihar. (18)

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