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HOW INDIA'S RECORD-BREAKING POPULATION
WILL SHAPE THE WORLD

India, the second most populous country in the world, is expected to surpass China as the most populous country by 2027. With a current population of over 1.3 billion people, India's record-breaking population will have significant implications for the country itself and the world at large. This paper explores the causes and consequences of India's population growth and how it will shape the world.

The causes of India's population growth can be attributed to several factors, including high birth rates, low death rates, and increased life expectancy. India's fertility rate was 2.2 in 2019, slightly above the replacement level of 2.1. Although India's fertility rate has been declining over the years, it is still high compared to other countries. Improved healthcare, sanitation, and nutrition have led to a decline in mortality rates, particularly among infants and children. Additionally, increased access to education and awareness about family planning have resulted in a decrease in maternal mortality rates. Lastly, increased life expectancy has also contributed to India's population growth. The average life expectancy in India has increased from 32 years in 1947 to 69 years in 2021.

India's population growth has both positive and negative consequences. On the positive side, a large population can lead to a larger workforce, which can drive economic growth. Additionally, a larger population can lead to increased innovation and creativity. However, there are also negative consequences of India's population growth. One of the most significant challenges is providing basic necessities such as food, water, and shelter to such a large population. India already faces significant challenges in providing basic necessities to its citizens, and a rapidly growing population will only exacerbate these challenges. Another consequence of India's population growth is the strain it puts on the environment. A rapidly growing population will only increase the demand for natural resources and put more pressure on the environment. Lastly, India's population growth can also lead to social and political instability.

India's record-breaking population will have significant implications for the world. One of the most significant impacts will be on global food security. India is already one of the largest producers of food in the world, and a rapidly growing population will only increase the demand for food. This increased demand could lead to higher food prices and food shortages, which could have significant implications for countries that rely on India for food. Another impact of India's population growth will be on global energy demand. As India's population grows, so too will its energy demand. This increased demand could lead to higher energy prices and increased greenhouse gas emissions, which could have significant implications for global climate change. Lastly, India's population growth will also have implications for global migration.