

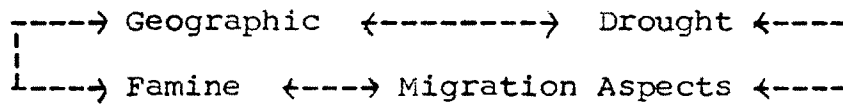
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The foregoing description of the study Area and Data assembled on various aspects of Migration in the eight (8) sampled villages in particular, and, Akkalkot Taluka in Solapur District in general, have made one think and reflect endlessly on the Drought-induced-migration. Infact, it is now all the more difficult to come to real conclusions or some type of cause-effect relationships that become valid when tested in population geography by the population Geographers. However, one can make an attempt to offer some noteworthy aspects that struck the author most while attempting this theme as an academic exercise.

- 1)            As geographical space is a historical product, the choice of Akkalkot Taluka for in-depth study of migration stimulated by Drought is interesting not only on its own account but also in relation with historical traditions, physical factors, economic setting and its geographical location near the Karnataka border & its political uncertain destination. For such type of studies. First hand information is necessary and it requires Intensive field-work.

- 2) Drought [अवर्षण] is a relative condition and is oft-used by laymen and scholars both in spoken language and in their learned works. This has been and will, perhaps, continue to have its effect or impacts in all areas that lie on the leeward side of Sahyadris. Being in rain-shadow they are exposed to the various vagaries of monsoons. Their intensity and frequency corresponds to the famines which result into migrations. A simple description of the process or phenomenon may be put as under :-



- 3) Migration like fertility and mortality is a determinant of population changes. But it has been given less of attention by the senior students of population studies despite the fact that revolution in transport has decreased the distances and increased the human mobility. Another important fact that may be pointed out here from this study is that migrations of all types including journeys to work have become temporary movements of short-distance. Some other conclusions may be tentatively put as under :-

- i) Agricultural labourers in particular and marginal farmers in general are more sensitive

to the aberrant weather. Even here one is not surprised to find out that most migrants have been uneducated males.

- ii) Economically less privileged and socially deprived constitute the bulk of these uneducated males. However family migration has been witnessed as a long-term migration. Whether these migrants will return to places of origin cannot be given a categorical answer at this time or without a continuing analysis into this aspect?
- iii) Establishing links between migration and policy is perhaps difficult and tiresome. But its realistic appraisal would demand that its framework as well as details must have their real roots in the geography of particular or specific areas. Else these will neither be satisfying nor rewarding.
- iv) Destinations, Distance and ethnic as well as social aspects of population in the study area have proved to be good tools in understanding migration patterns induced by successive droughts in general and in the eight sampled villages of Akkalkot taluka in Solapur District.

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Name of the Village \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Respondent's Serial No. \_  
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1. PERSONAL INFORMATION OF RESPONDENT

- A) Name of the Respondent :- \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- B) Age: 0-15, 16-30, 31-45, 46-60, above 60.
- C) Sex: Male/Female \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ D) Caste: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- E) Mother tongue: Marathi/Kannada/Other \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
- F) Education: Illiterate, Primary, Mid., Sc, H.Sc. Gradu-  
ation,
- G) Occupation: 1) Agriculture 2) Forestry, Hunting,  
fishing 3) Animal husbondary  
4) Manufacture & repairs 5) Transport  
6) Construction & building  
7) Trade 8) Service.
- H) Full time/Part time
- I) Annual Income
- J) Number of family members.





4. FOR PERSONAL USE : REACTION

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A) Response From respondent

1) Co-operative 2) Indifferent/Hostile/Appreciative

B) Ability of the Respondent :-

1) Good

2) Reliable

3) Moderate

4) Vague

5) Poor

6) Exaggerative.