PREFACE

Population studies have been the subject of concern for social scientists for a very long period. They have studied various aspects of population and demography in different contexts. However the study of population is relatively been a new branch of Geography. Geographers are more concerned with spatial variables of population. There has also been adequate contribution towards the understanding of changing pattern of population but there has been lack of studies at macro and micro level. There is enough work related to the population of India and even to the population aspects of Uttar Pradesh But this work is taken for a relatively smaller level with a purpose to infer the trends and attributes of population at district level.

The present work provides an analytical study of various aspects of changing pattern of population in Lucknow district. Spatial and temporal aspects of population have been a matter of core concern for population and regional planners. They have direct bearing on development persist. Hence, this type of study is bound to be helpful for population planning of Lucknow district which has been facing problems of population size, density, pressure on limited geographical space, lack of literacy and natural calamities. Considering these typical issues, the present study is divided into nine Chapters. The first Chapter introduces the research work with an overview of entire related work. This Chapter, further deals with the methodology used and design of the study. The second Chapter highlights, the physical and cultural environment, which includes the location and extent, origin of name and history of district, physiographic division, geology and relief, drainage, soils, natural vegetation, land use pattern and cropping pattern etc. Chapter third is devoted the study of population distribution at various level. Different population density and
concentration of population have been discussed in Chapter fourth. Fifth Chapter deals with the growth of population. Chapter six is focused on different components of migration, emigration, in migration and out-migration. Chapter seventh throws light on population composition, age structure and sex-ratio. Literacy, level of education, marital status, religion, language and occupational structure etc., form the theme of Chapter eight. The last Chapter deals with the population problems and planning for the betterment of this valuable resource. Summery is followed by a few appendices and selected bibliography is annexed at the end of the text.