Rationality	It is the practice of treating reason as the basis of belief and knowledge.
Secularisation	The process by which religions or sacred values are replaced by scientific and rational values.

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5.10 SPECIMEN ANSWERS TO CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

Check Your Progress 1

i) a) Demographic approach,

b) Ecological approach,

c) Socio-cultural approach.

ii) a) Size of population,

b) Density of population,

c) Heterogeneity of population.

iii) b, c, e, f

iv) Material density refers to the simple ratio of people to land and moral density refers to the rate of interaction or communication within a population.

Check Your Progress 2

i) b, d

ii) Simplification of rituals at marriage and incidence of court marriage in the cities show a gradual separation of the institution of marriage from its sacred religious complex.

iii) The nature of urban politics is shown in the city government in Independent India in

a) the election process of the municipal bodies,

b) the working of these institutions, and

c) the links between city politics and state and national elections.

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