MARRIAGE

Number of marriages and crude marriage rate

The number of marriages increased 1.2 per cent from 203,741 (2017) to 206,253 (2018). However, the crude marriage rate (CMR) remained at 6.4 per 1,000 population.

The number of Muslim marriages recorded in 2018 was 150,098, increased 1.9 per cent as compared to 147,282 (2017). CMR increased from 7.5 (2017) to 7.6 (2018) per 1,000 Muslim population. The number of Non-Muslim marriages declined 0.5 per cent from 56,459 (2017) to 56,155 (2018). However, CMR remained at 4.5 per 1,000 Non-Muslim population.

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DIVORCE

Number of divorces and crude divorce rate

The number of divorces increased 0.1 per cent from 50,314 (2017) to 50,356 (2018). However, the crude divorce rate (CDR) remained at 1.6 per 1,000 population.

The number of Muslim divorces recorded in 2018 was 40,269, increased 1.4 per cent as compared to 39,709 (2017). CDR remained at 2.0 per 1,000 Muslim population. On the contrary, Non-Muslim divorces declined 4.9 per cent from 10,605 (2017) to 10,087 (2018). Therefore, CDR for Non-Muslim improved slightly from 0.9 (2017) to 0.8 (2018).

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NUMBER OF DIVORCES
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CRUDE MARRIAGE RATE
6.4 per 1,000 population

CRUDE DIVORCE RATE
1.6 per 1,000 population

GENERAL MARRIAGE RATE
GROOM
50.7 per 1,000 unmarried males aged 18 and over
BRIDE
47.0 per 1,000 unmarried females aged 18 and over

GENERAL DIVORCE RATE
MALE
6.5 per 1,000 married males aged 18 and over
FEMALE
6.9 per 1,000 married females aged 18 and over

MARRIAGE & DIVORCE
MEDIAN AGE OF MARRIAGE
28 YEARS
Groom
26 YEARS
Bride

MEDIAN AGE OF DIVORCE
37 YEARS
Male
34 YEARS
Female

THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF MARRIAGES AT AGE
25-29 YEARS
for both sexes

OLDEST AGE FOR GROOM & BRIDE
92 YEARS OLD
Groom
83 YEARS OLD
Bride

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