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UNIT-II
FAMILY: A UNIT OF SOCIETY

NOTES

Definition of family: Family is defined as a specific group of people that may be made up of partners, children, parents, aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents. It is the basic unit of every society.

Types of family: There are different types of families found all over the world. Some of the types of families are: monogamous family, polygamous family, matriarchal family, patriarchal family, nuclear family, joint family, Hindu family, Muslim family etc.

Reasons for change in family: Various aspects of society which when changed leave an impact on other facets of society as well. They become reasons for bringing about change in the family types. These may be due to economic, social, political and/or philosophical reasons.

Effect of family size on the welfare of members: These days there have been changes in the family size of the modern families due to education of women, late marriage, economic freedom of women, aspiration for higher standard of living etc. It has various effects on the members of the family such as less number of children, consciousness of the parents for their children's health and education, less economic burden of the parent, better standard of living and improvement in the health status of women due to less number of children.

Role of family members in its smooth functioning: Family is a very important social unit of any community. A family is the place where the society starts its progress. The child takes birth in the family. The child opens its eyes and is introduced to the outside world through mother's love, sibling's affection and father's authority.

The social values and cultural aspects of the community are inculcated in the child from the time of birth within the family background. Family remains the pivot of a society and the very building block of all communities.
