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The first phase of Census - 2011, a gruelling exercise that witnessed 1.03 lakh enumerators listing almost every household and collecting data of indi-

viduals across the the State, concluded on Tuesday.

"While efforts have been made to cover every household and enlist all individuals in the State, we decided to keep our helplines open to receive complaints, if any. All the complaints will be processed after June 10 and if any household has been left out, the data gathering process will be done immediately thereafter", said TK Anil Kumar, director, Directorate of Census Operations, Karnataka.

The first phase of Census-2011, which commenced on April 15, pertained to canvass-

ing of Houselisting and Housing Census and National Population Register (NPR) schedules. In the last 45 days, the designated enumerators covered 30 districts, 220 towns, 24 urban agglomerations and over 29,000 villages.

The Capital posed a huge challenge during State-wide headcount. The directorate constituted 30 special teams to monitor the enumeration process in Bangalore.

Scanning census forms

The process of scanning of the data sheets will commence in

Bangalore from July. Collection of the census forms from various parts of the State has commenced. Each census form has a unique bar code to help in easy tracking.

"Only the houselisting and housing census forms will be scanned by us. We are waiting for further directions on the NPR data," Anil Kumar said.

The compilation process will be completed by November this year revealing among other data, the exact number of households in the State. According to the Census of India 2001, the State population was

distributed in 1,04,01,918 households. The average household size was 5.1.

The housing census this time would also reveal several firsts including the number of households with telephone facility, households with computers, number of vehicles in each household, besides availability of drinking water, married couples among others.

The second phase called the Population Enumeration phase will be conducted simultaneously all over the country from February 9 to 28, 2011.

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