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1. Discuss the various novel methods and schemes adopted during the swadeshi movement.
(10 Marks, 150 words)

The Swadeshi movement in Bengal began in October 1905 to protest against the partition of Bengal done by Lord Curzon.

Methods adopted

- i) Boycott of foreign goods and cloth became prominent. The imports of cotton goods and yarn fell by nearly 11%.
- ii) Mass processions and meetings were also held. e.g. on the day partition came into effect, thousands of people marched to the Ganges.
- iii) Religious symbols were resorted to to show the unity between Hindus and Muslims e.g. tying of rakhis on each other's wrists.

- iv) Volunteer corps became very important, which worked to create awareness and spread the values of Swadeshi.

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highlight the (eg) -



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structure

e.g. Swadesh Bandhab Samiti of Aswini Kumar Dutta.

is ✓) Atmasakti or self-reliance was promoted. This mostly took root in the form of Swadeshi goods and services, as well as campaigns to remove social evil.

point

you could use map to

Schemes adopted

highlight the regions of movement

i) National education received a boost, with the Bengal National College set up under Anurobindo Ghosh.

Funds were raised to send students to Japan for technical training.

ii) Art and culture received a boost, with folktales like 'Thakumar Jhuli' and indigenous paintings by Nandalal Bose.

The methods and schemes adopted during the Swadeshi movement were to form the blueprint of the national struggle under Gandhiji.

conclusion is optimistic

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2. Morley – Minto reforms of 1909 laid the framework for the separation of India. Analyse. (10 Marks, 150 words)

Aptly written introduction
The passage of the Morley-Minto reforms was a part of the divide-and-rule policy of the British, and met the needs of separatism in the country.

Provisions

- Increased elected members in Imperial and provincial legislative council
- Reservations for Muslims with separate electorates
- Representation in excess of Muslim population
- Income qualifications of Muslims reduced.

Effects

i) It gave a foothold to the Muslim League, recently established at by Nawab Salimullah

could also add colonial left
ii) Separate electorates resulted in different communities voting for community interests based on communal lines.

was not suitable for
iii) The reforms of 1909 were later expanded to



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* include other communities in later reforms like Government of India Acts of 1919 and 1935.

special provisions for certain classes created a sense of relative deprivation for among other classes.

1) Some of the provisions of the Act of 1909 were incorporated into later demands e.g.

- a) Representation in provincial assemblies to be based on population
- b) Separate Muslim majority provinces in North-West Frontier provinces.

The Montagu-Minto reforms were a chief cause for the rise of separatism in the country; however it was not the only cause. Other causes like communal history-writing, Hindu fringe of the national movement etc. also were causes

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may well be "benevolent despotism"

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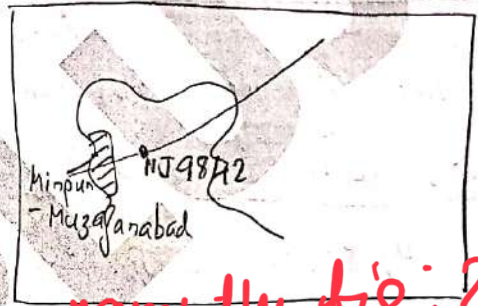


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3. Roots of the crisis in Kashmir can be traced to its troubled history. Examine. (10 Marks, 150 words)

The crisis in Kashmir is a result of several historical problems like the Poonch crisis, Baramulla issue, the Standstill Agreement and others.

Poonch crisis



- i) Taxes on the pastoralist class were imposed in Poonch in 1936
- ii) Post World War II, there was subjective realization of problems
- iii) Muslims of Poonch joined the rebels against Maharaja Hari Singh

Standstill Agreement

a) Signed on 15th August by Maharaja Hari Singh and

b) Pakistan maintained the status quo for one year.

good that you began your intro with events

name the fig: ?

highlight keyword

good also mention Pakistan mention failure they divided and quit india



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c) The Agreement was broken with the invasion of Kashmir by tribals from Pakistan (22nd October, 1947)

d) Hari Singh requested India for help, however Lord Mountbatten insisted on signing the Instrument of Accession before sending any help.

e) After the issue in Baramulla and advance of tribals towards Srinagar, Maharaja Hari Singh signed the Instrument of Accession

f) Even after a counter-attack by the Indian army, the tribals ~~were~~ retreated till Mirpur - Muzaffarabad.

↳ The line of ceasefire was agreed to be on the 1949 line.

To integrate Kashmir into India, Article 370 was introduced as a temporary provision in the Constitution.

However, the areas of Mirpur - Muzaffarabad are still disputed, causing the roots of the crisis in Kashmir.

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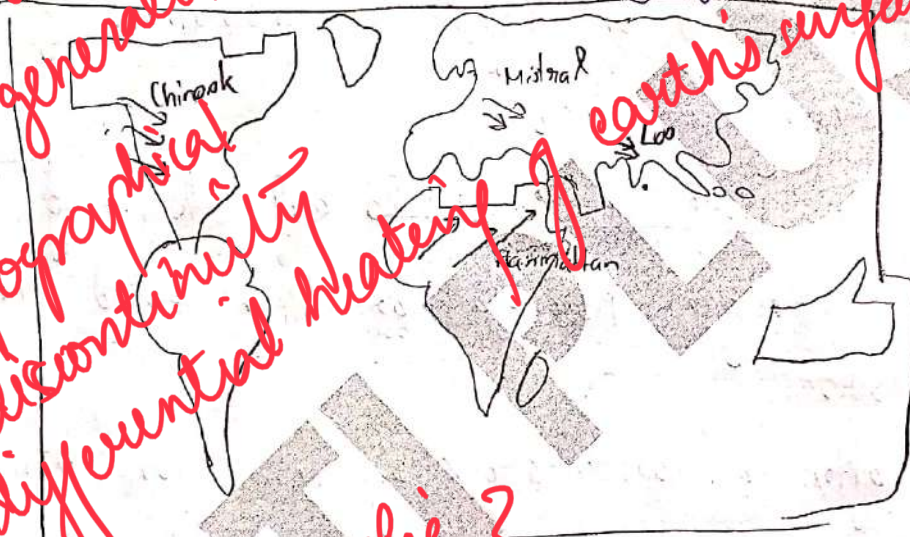
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4. Discuss the concept of local winds and their impact on local weather. (10 Marks, 150 words)

Local winds moderate the climate of regions depending upon their location. It affects the climate by decreasing or increasing the temperature and humidity of a place. etc.



good intro - could also begin with → they are generated by topographical discontinuity & differential heating of earth's surface

Formation of local winds

- i) Temperature : Temperature difference between land and sea, deserts and continental interiors result in local winds e.g. Sirocco (from Sahara)
- ii) Humidity : ~~Land~~ Boring, rain which also may affect local winds.

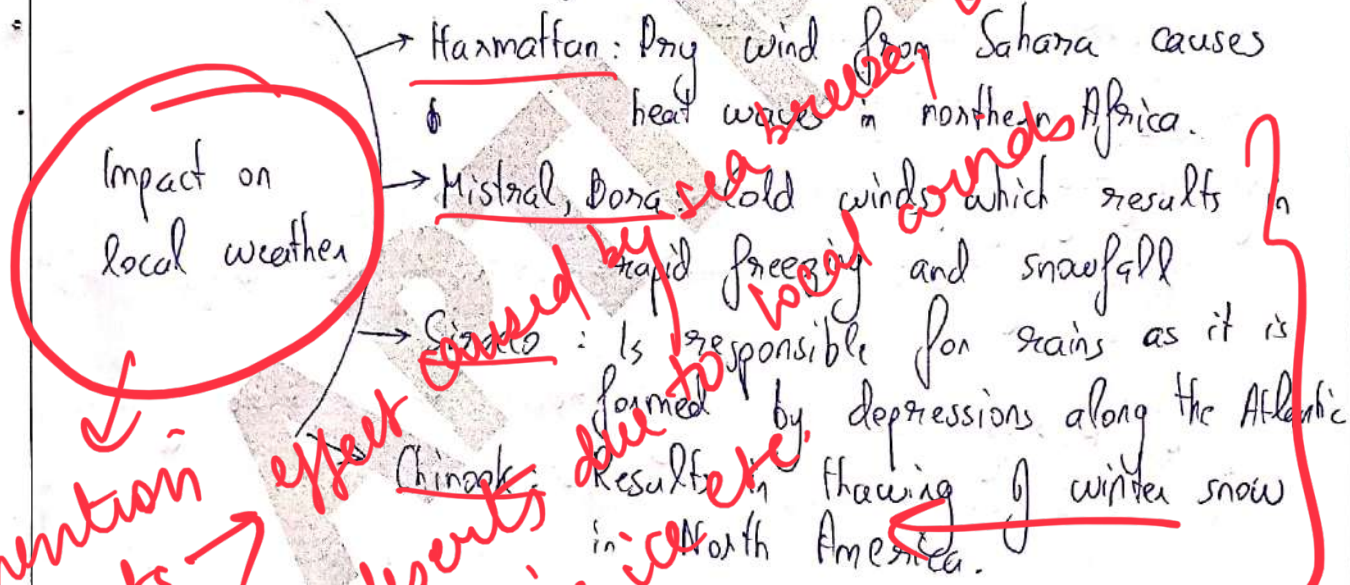


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iii) Physiography : Mountain ranges orientation, ~~land~~ plains etc. also affect the passage of local winds eg. Chinook from Rockies.

ii) Ocean currents : They also affect the local winds by creating pressure belts and controlling temperature

i) Pressure Belts : Shifting pressure belts may cause local winds and storms eg. Loo in India and Western disturbances.



mention impacts →

effect deserts due to melting →

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under the above headings



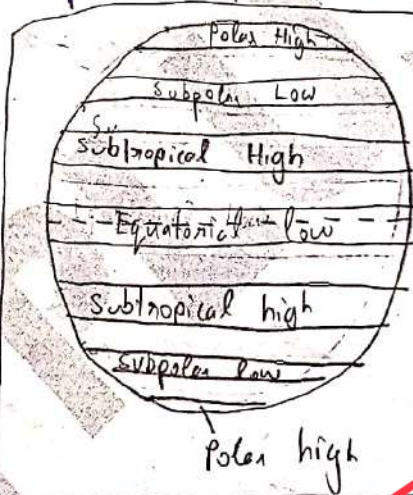
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5. Explain the seasonal impact of shifting pressure belts. (10 Marks, 150 Words)

better to introduce by defining pressure belts

The shifting of pressure belts causes seasonal changes in the climate of the world, especially between 30° - 40° latitudes in both hemispheres.

Impacts



good diag.

i) Between 30° - 40° in both hemispheres, the Mediterranean climate is experienced because of shifting of pressure belts

a) During winters, Westerlies prevail and cause rain

b) During summers, dry trade winds blow offshore and are unable to give rain.

your points are good

ii) Between 60° - 70° latitudes, two types of winds are experienced:

a) Northward shift of subpolar low during summer

apt diagram and content reference good



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Solstice results in weakening of polar easterlies.

b) Westerlies are strengthened during this time.

iii) Between 20° - 30° latitudes, shifting of pressure belts results in shift of ITCZ

a) During summer, ITCZ shifts towards Indian subcontinent and causes rain

b) During winters, the ITCZ moves south of the equator and causes dry climate.

c) The North-East ~~trades~~ trades are reestablished over these areas due to shifting of pressure belt.

Thus, the global climate is characterised a great deal by the shifting of the pressure belts.

comprehensive
and
holistic
topic

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6. Bring out the factors which affect the monsoon climate system in South Asia with special reference to India. (10 Marks, 150 words)

fine beginning → *define briefly* the monsoon climate system in South Asia is a unique characteristic of the Indian Ocean region. It is controlled by several factors. *mention few of them*

Factors affecting monsoons

1) Physiography: The monsoon winds are directed by the orientation of the mountain ranges e.g. syntaxial bending of Himalayas in North-East India.



2) Landmass: Land presence of landmasses affect the monsoon winds e.g. division of Arabian Sea branch and Bay of Bengal branch.

3) ITCZ: The movement of the ITCZ also affects the monsoon winds. E.g. movement of the ITCZ north south of the equator results in retreating monsoons.

add mechanism of monsoon before factors



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7. Secularism in India is to be understood at the three levels of the individual, society and the State. Comment.
(10 Marks, 150 words)

Intro
to
good
point
too

Secularism refers to the principle of separation of government institutions and persons mandated to represent religious interests. In India, it is to be understood at three levels.

Individual level

individual must tolerate other's belief

- i) Articles 25-28 of the constitution provides every citizen of the country a right to follow his religious beliefs.
- ii) Citizens can practice and promote their religious peacefully.
- iii) They must also be tolerant of others' beliefs and should not practise any religious discrimination.

Societal level

- i) Diversity of Indian society is a hallmark of secularism in the country (Unity in diversity)
- ii) Religious peaceful coexistence is only possible when



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all religions are respectful of other religions. E.g. riots occur only when one community takes an antagonistic stance against another

State level

i) Sep The Constitution of India declares India as a secular state. However, the wall of separation in India is porous

ii) The state does not promote any state religion.

iii) However, the state can intervene to bring in any religious reforms for introduction of progressive voices

Hence, the idea of secularism is complementary at all three levels because the individuals live and work within society, and society is a part of the state.

you have covered all the important aspects of the question good!

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fine conclusion's but mention

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8. What do you mean by social innovation? What is its importance? Give examples of social innovation in India. (10 Marks, 150 words)

applied with intro

could also mention

Social innovation refers to the design and implementation of solutions that imply conceptual, or organizational change, ultimately aiming to improve the welfare of individuals.

authentic definition

- Importance**
- Provides a flexible approach to developmental issues
 - Promotes scientific temper among the people
 - Can be environment and society friendly.
 - Brings of greater interconnectivity among various stakeholders
 - Often are economical in design and implementation.

Sara A Soule, Neil Malhotra

Examples of social innovation

Also mention main purpose

1) Design of stepwells to resolve the issue of depleting water levels in wells.



→ *open source system*

→ *flower factory, Nudge CSI*



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ii) Instances of tribals living in harmony with nature
e.g. Maldharis of Gir National Park. *good*

iii) Design of living root bridges in Meghalaya

iv) Implementation of hackathons by business enterprises
to design solutions.

Way forward

i) Integration of social innovation in policy implementation

ii) Spread of awareness among the people regarding
importance of social innovation

Social innovation needs to be promoted in
society for rapid growth and development in the
country.

*good
conclusion*

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9. A young and vibrant India today will be an aged India tomorrow. What will be the challenges facing an ageing population in the future? (10 Marks, 150 words)

The India ^{more than half of} ~~is~~ ^{indian pop'n is in} ~~is~~ ^{working age (15-59 yrs)} ~~is~~ deemed to be the most populous country in the world by 2030. As the population ages, this demographic dividend might cause several challenges.

Different challenges

i) Economic dependency on their children results in loss

- of social standing for the aged. deter?

ii) Health concerns of the elderly would cause issues.

iii) The aged may be susceptible to abuse: physical, financial and mental.

iv) Loss of prestige of the old age population

in affects their mental stature.

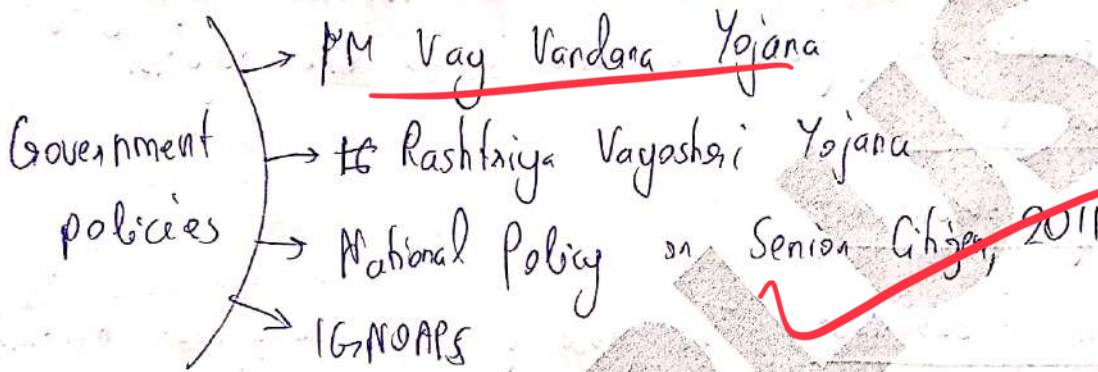
v) Problem of infrastructure to ~~take care~~ ensure care-giving facilities for the old age population





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vi) Social perception which looks upon the elderly as a liability rather than an asset.



Way forward

- i) Mainstream the concern of senior citizens, especially elder women.
- ii) Promote security, homecare and insurance for senior citizens.
- iii) Work towards age-friendly society
- iv) Encourage employment among the old age people.

well

points

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The demographic dividends of the country can become demographic disaster if not proper facilities are not developed for the people. For this reason, solutions to lack this need to be taken at the earliest.



Add some substantive contribution



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10. Examine why the majority of the known Harappan settlements are located in the semi-arid areas where irrigation was probably required for agriculture. (10 Marks, 150 words)

introductory should cover features, meticulous towns, planning, presence of specialized trade etc.

The Harappan settlements civilization is mostly located in Western and North Western India and Pakistan. Majority of the settlements are found in arid areas like Rajasthan, Balochistan etc.

Reasons for location

i) Location of Saraswati: The flow of the Saraswati through these areas provided adequate water for fertility. *eg. Ghaggar-Hakra river system*

ii) Climate: Although these areas suffer from a dry climate nowadays, they had adequate rainfall earlier e.g. evidence of rice cultivation in these areas.

iii) Trade routes: Many of the Harappan sites lie on trade routes, hence they may have been flourishing trade cities e.g. Harappa, Suktagendor etc. *example should*

iv) Raw materials: Many Harappan towns were sources of precious raw materials, which they could trade for *be direct*



*Magan (oman)
Dilmun,
etc.*



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daily necessities -

highlight

v) irrigation: The aridity of the area could be tackled by excellent irrigation and drainage facilities e.g. Phalavira irrigation channels.

(p) →

Dams, embankment

vi) Resource potential: The diversity of resource potential also enabled the people to tackle the arid climate, with access to rice, watermelon, wheat etc. being grown.

Hence, ~~it~~ although the Harappan settlements are located in semi-arid areas where irrigation was necessary, they ~~provided~~.

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Conclusion has to cover the summary by mentioning the reason for decline/success of Harappan

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11. The Tibetan Plateau, known as the water tower of Asia, plays an important role in the system of the Monsoon over the Indian subcontinent. Explain. (15 Marks, 250 words)

instead of asking the question, contribute by adding mechanism monsoon and what role Tibetan plateau plays?

The Tibetan Plateau, by its location and height, plays a major role in the system of Monsoon in the country. It acts as a watershed, a source for major rivers as well as a major controller of the pressure belts.

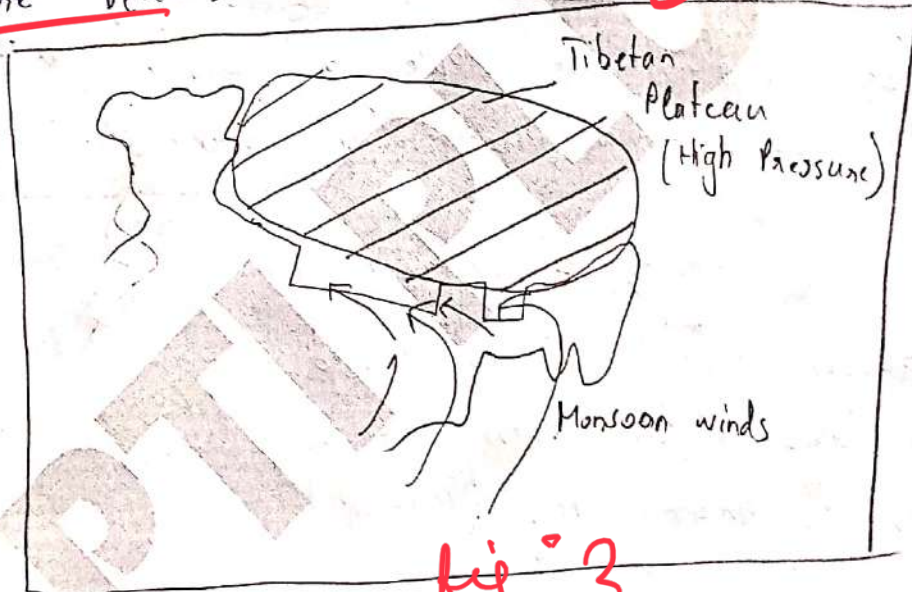


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Role of Tibetan Plateau

i) Low pressure : Creates a low pressure in summer which in conjunction with high pressure area over Madagascar initiates monsoon.



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ii) Watershed area : It acts as a source for major rivers which in turn affects the humidity over the Indian subcontinent.

iii) Barrier : The tall plateau also acts as a barrier in two ways :

vast mountain ranges

a) Subduces the moisture laden monsoon winds and enables them to cool.

b) Prevents cold, dry air of the northern latitudes from entering the subcontinent.

iv) Jetstreams : The plateau bifurcates the Western and eastern tropical jet streams.

gives points

a) The Western tropical jetstream begins to flow south of the plateau and enables it to bring in the Western disturbances, which causes winter rainfall.

b) The eastern tropical jetstream also flows south of the plateau and drives the monsoon winds.



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word repetition of same of different answers

i) Differential Heating: The plateau is responsible for the differential heating over the Indian subcontinent.

a) During winters, a high pressure cell is formed, which results in the retreating monsoon.

b) During summers, low pressure results in the formation of ITCZ and advance of monsoon winds.

ii) Anticyclonic circulation: During the monsoon season,

an anticyclonic circulation appears over Tibet which in conjunction with El Nino - Southern Oscillation affects the monsoons.

Thus, the Tibetan plateau acts as the chief driver of the monsoon over not just India, but the subcontinent as a whole.

concluded well

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It is often said that urbanization will define the trajectory of India's development. What challenges does India face in this regard? Also, suggest possible solutions. (15 Marks, 250 words)

A/C to what source?

The rapid urbanization of the country can be seen from the fact that by 2030, India would have 71 metropolitan cities. This growth will come with its own challenges.

Can → Also mention fact → India along with China & Nigeria

Challenges of urbanization

i) Housing: Rapid migration of people from rural areas would cause problems of housing, rising rates of real estate and growth of slums.

avoid using generic headings

most rapidly urbanizing as they account for 35% of world population

ii) Transport: Greater demand of transport would result in overcrowding, greater need of better roads and better inter connectivity.

Overcrowding
polluting etc.

iii) Infrastructure: Greater urbanization requires better physical infrastructure like power supply, water pipelines etc. Social infrastructure like schools and hospitals also becomes a necessity.

35% of world population



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o include new points like

vi) Environmental degradation : Expanding cities leads to felling of trees and filling up of lakes, causing environmental degradation and pollution. *eg?*

vii) Socio-cultural : Elite exclusion, lack of equal access to education and economic opportunities results in rising levels of crime in cities.

Urban mat is land concept

viii) Over-population : Over-population in certain cities causes several issues like increasing pressure on infrastructure, growth of slums etc.

ix) Unplanned urbanization may cause growth of sub-cities on the fringes of a major city. This in turn causes issues of envi pollution, groundwater depletion etc.

Way forward

incorporate government schemes

i) Inclusive cities : Planning should include the need of the marginalized. *along with this in*

eg format



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ii) Financing: Multiple sources of financing needs to be tapped e.g. property taxes, Municipal bonds etc.

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iii) Planning: Cascaded planning structure is needed i.e. to have plans for multiple phases

National smart cities mission

iv) Capacity-building: It is necessary to focus on local capacity building by forming a new cadre for city administration, urban managers etc.

v) Hub and spoke model can be followed for growth and development of cities.

Swachh Bharat Mission

In this regard, it is necessary to focus

on providing urban facilities to rural areas (PURA), which would result in sustainable urban growth with rural advancement as well.

use SDG

poverty alleviation / eco-friendly cities to contribute the answer.

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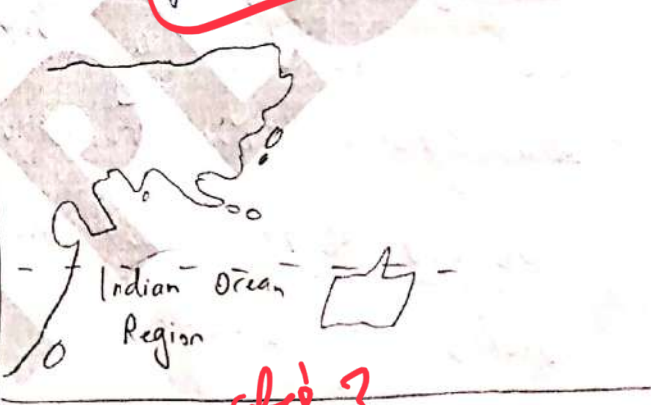
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13. India's emphasis on the Indian Ocean region has two dimension-one of economic growth and other of strategic significance. Explain. (15 Marks, 250 words)

too the point into The Indian Ocean Region is a critical aspect of global relations due to its strategic location. It accounts for nearly one-third of global trade and has strategic chokepoints like the Sunda Strait. For this reason, India is focussing on the Region in an economic, as well as strategic manner.

Economic Growth

i) ~~Trade~~ Trade: 95% of trade by volume of the country come by the Indian Ocean.



good points and well impressed with ii) Infrastructure: Presence of 13 major ports and 200 minor ports provide avenues for exports of Indian goods all over the world.

highlight key words iii) Blue economy: The Indian Ocean Region is rich in mineral resources. India is focussing on offshore oil exploration and extraction of polymetallic nodules for energy security.



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i) Fishing Pisciculture : Initiatives like Sagar Mitras, Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana etc. also of boost the economic growth

ii) Tourism : Coral atolls in Lakshadweep, the islands of Andaman and Nicobar attract tourists and are an important source of revenue.

iii) Strategic significance

i) SAGAR doctrine : Security and Growth in the Region for all is an important aspect of India's Indian Ocean strategy.

ii) Naval dominance : India is seeking to ensure greater naval strength by development of an all weather fleet, induction of aircraft carriers (INS Vikrant etc)

iii) Global cooperation : India is focussing on alliances like the QUAD, Indian Ocean Naval Symposium etc. to focus on greater security in the region.

points are valid

and holistically covering

the demand



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ii) Strategic infrastructure, like a tri-service command at Port Blair is designed to provide greater strategic strength to these areas.

v) Strategic chokepoints like the Sunda Strait, Malacca Strait, Gulf of Aden etc. are located in the Indian Ocean Region.

vi) Freedom of navigation operations by several countries also affect the security of the country.

- Challenges**
- Chinese assertiveness
 - Slow infrastructure growth
 - Different definitions of Indo-Pacific
 - Frequent disasters, like cyclones and volcanic eruptions.

back it with facts

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In this regard, the way forward for India in the respect of the Indian Ocean Region would be to focus on infrastructure development and global cooperation.

conclusion could be better if used multi-dimensional security approach in 21st century



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15. Nearly all the artistic remains in ancient India are religious. Critically evaluate. (15 Marks, 250 words)

you could also begin your answer with the rich cultural heritage of ancient India. The architecture of these religious symbols are mostly based on art and architecture of ancient India.

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Religious cultural remains

i) Caves

a) Caves like Ajanta, Ellora and Bagh depict Buddhist, Hindu as well as Jain paintings.

b) Depictions of the bhaisatwas are found at Ajanta and Bagh, while the Kailashnath Temple is found at Ellora.

c) Caves at Ajanta and Bagh also had chaityas and viharas for the monks.

ii) Stupas

a) Stupas are generally considered to be Buddhist



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places of worship.

b) The terraces around the stupa also depict Buddhist symbols and iconography e.g. Sanchi stupa.

iii) Temples

a) Temple architecture in both North and Southern India are based on different sects e.g. Vaishnavite, Shaivite etc.

b) Sculptures on the temples are based on mythology or folklore e.g. Shiva sculpture of Kailashnath temples.

iv) Archaeological remains

a) Remains of coins, inscriptions etc. also have a religious depiction to them. e.g. Ashokan inscriptions

~~Remains of~~

However, not all remains of ancient India are religious.

b) Indus Valley remains like the Great Bath, Great Granary, beads etc. are not religious in nature.



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ii) Caves Buddhist and Jain caves had viharas for monks to stay, but merchants of different faiths could rest here as well.

eg

should

iii) Inscriptions often eulogized kings and did not have any religious tinge to it e.g. Prayag inscription of Harisena.

be highlighted

iv) Certain temples like those in the Bengal - Bihar area are built on the basis of the shape of huts of those areas e.g. slipping Bangla roof.

well covered

v) Musical notes were also found as sculptures on temples and inscriptions, hence they were not entirely religious.

prints

Hence, artistic remains were both religious and non-religious in nature in ancient India, although the former were greater in number.

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Good conclusion



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16. Discuss the contribution of C. Rajagopalachari in the freedom struggle and post-independence India. (15 Marks, 250 words)

Apt introduction
Chakravanti Rajagopalachari, popularly known as Rajaji, was one of the stalwarts of the freedom struggle, and was a prominent founder member of the Indian National Congress.

Contribution in Freedom struggle

Non-Cooperation Movement

Multidimensional format
He participated in the movement and was jailed for two years in Vellore in 1920.

can be articulated by giving
b) Later, he opened his own ashram to promote Gandhian principles of Hindu-Muslim harmony and to promote khadi.

context
ii) Vaikom satyagraha : He was involved in the Vaikom Satyagraha to protest against untouchability.

Political career & post independence
iii) Civil Disobedience movement.

Political career & post independence
Rajaji carried out a march from Vedaranyam



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to break the salt law

b) He also edited Gandhiji's newspaper Young India during this time.

in 1937, he was elected as premier of Madras Presidency

a) He took steps to abolish untouchability and caste prejudice.

v) He served as the last Governor-General of India and first Indian Governor-General after Lord Mountbatten's term expired.

Post independence

Rajaji set up the Swatantra Party after resignation from the Indian National Congress

ii) He also served as chief minister of Madras in April 1952

a) He worked to reformed the education system in Madras



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b) Contrary to Jawahar Lal Nehru's belief in socialism, he advocated a free market economy.

iii) He also served as the Home Minister after the death of Sardar Patel.

Thus, the role of Rajaji was far-reaching from the political, administrative as well as literary and social circles.

conclude his
key giving his
reference
literary work
Tamil translation
Sankhya Ramayana
Sankhya Academy award
winner

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17. French Revolution laid the foundation of social democracy in Europe. The Indian National Movement also drew a lot from its social content. Describe. (15 Marks, 250 words)

Though intro is good but can buy as keywords

The French revolution began with the fall of the Bastille Fort in 1789, and continued in four phases till 1799 when Napoleon Bonaparte rose to power. It had a profound effect on Europe as well as India.

Impact on Europe

divide the parts

i) On France: It signalled the end of monarchy and established republicanism and constitutional government.

a) Equality in public found of social was established with abolition of privileges. democracy in

FR impact India's freedom struggle

ii) Church: The power of the Church was reduced, and church property was confiscated. frame?

iii) Feudalism: Feudalism and Serfdom was abolished, the middle class was strengthened and peasant conditions improved.



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iv) Rights : The concepts of liberty, equality and fraternity were established. Nationalism also became prominent after the revolution.

v) Revolutionary movements were inspired in multiple countries like Ireland, Latin America etc. Movements for unification began in Italy and Germany.

vi) Sovereignty of the people was established, and this laid the groundwork for the fall of monarchy.

Impact on Indian freedom struggle

i) Liberty, equality and fraternity inspired the Indian intelligentsia who sought to challenge British rule and establish a democratic society in India.

ii) Nationalism : The rise of nationalist feelings among the Indians paved the way for the early leaders to forge a collective Indian identity.



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Constitution of free India

iii) Revival of local culture : The French Revolution emphasized preservation of national heritage and this culture struck a chord in India.

iv) Reformers : Several reformers like Raja Rammohan Roy were inspired by the liberal ideas emerging from the French Revolution.

v) Revolutionaries : Groups like Hindustan Republican Association, Bengal Volunteers and others were inspired by the ideology of the French Revolution.

The ideals, ideas and spirit of the French Revolution played a critical role in shaping the Indian national movement.

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better conclusion could be given by adding →

both Indians most and FR → tried to have the modern nation of trinity of liberty equality & fraternity



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18. The language problem was the most divisive issue in the first twenty years after Independence as it tended to create conflict between Hindi-speaking and non-Hindi-speaking regions of the country. Discuss. (15 Marks, 250 words)

good intro
The linguistic diversity of India and the need to establish a national language led to intense debates and conflicts. In the nascent stage of Indian democracy, it threatened the unity of the country.

Issue of national language

try to highlight
i) Parliamentary Debates: Intense parliamentary debates took place on the question of the national language, laying the groundwork of what was to follow.

the relevant key words
ii) Linguistic diversity: The vast array of languages present in India posed challenges in determining a common language for administration and communication.

iii) Question of Hindi: The decision to choose Hindi as the official language of India, with English as associate language met with opposition from the Southern states.



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iv) Anti-Hindi agitations: ~~Anti~~ Protests against imposition of Hindi as official language led to widespread protests and agitations, notably in Tamil Nadu.
↳ These movements demanded the use of English as the link language.

good points and

v) Linguistic reorganization: The linguistic reorganization of the states done in 1956 led to a dilution in the intense Anti-Hindi feeling and ensured greater stability.

you have addressed the theme of question

vi) Regional identity: The language issue was closely intertwined with regional identity and sentiments. This served as a catalyst to the anti-Hindi agitations in Tamil Nadu.

Gradual Resolution

i) Official Languages Act, 1963: Recognized both



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Hindi and English as official languages for central government purposes.

↳ It served to strike a balance between promoting Hindi and preserving importance of English.

ii) Language policy evolution: Over time, the Government

India adopted a more flexible policy. The number of Scheduled languages were gradually increased to create more inclusiveness.

iii) Language as unifying force: Despite the initial

divisiveness, language has played a unifying role, as many Indians are bilingual or multilingual.

although language emerged as a highly divisive issue in early years of independence, it has served as a unifying force through a combination of compromises and evolving language policies.

Content is good but providing central news justify

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19. What was the Cuban missile crisis and what were the reasons behind it? What were its major consequences? (5 Marks, 250 words)

give a brief context → USSR! Castro announced he was a Marxist and Cuba was a socialist country

The Cuban Missile Crisis was a tense confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union which brought the world to the ~~be~~ brink of nuclear war in October 1962.

Reasons

- i) Cold War tensions : Ideological differences and power struggles between the US and USSR created a climate of hostility, which contributed to the crisis.
- ii) Rise of Fidel Castro : The Cuban Revolution (1959) brought a socialist government to power in Cuba. *good* The alignment of Cuba with USSR concerned the United States. *points*
- iii) Deployment of missiles : The US had deployed Intermediate range missiles in Turkey, within striking distance of the USSR. This was perceived as a threat to the Soviets.



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i) Miscommunication : The lack of a direct channel of contact between the US and USSR escalated the crisis.

ii) Soviet interests : After the failed Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961, the USSR wished to deploy missiles there as a gesture of solidarity with their ally Cuba.

iii) Bargaining chip : The Soviet premier, Khrushchev, wished to use the location of missiles in Cuba to force a withdrawal of missiles from Turkey.

Consequences

i) Greater communication was established between the US and USSR with the establishment of a hotline between Washington DC and Moscow.

ii) Nuclear arms control

a) The Partial Nuclear Test Ban Treaty was signed in 1963.



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- b) The Non Proliferation Treaty was signed in 1968, to prevent proliferation of Nuclear weapons
- c) It paved the way for SALT-I in the 1970s.
- iii) Détente: Fostered greater communication between the US and USSR, leading to reduced tensions.
- iv) Domestic effects: While it boosted President Kennedy's standing, it led to a loss for Khrushchev, the Soviet Premier.

Hence, the Cuban Missile Crisis ultimately led to the beginning of détente, with the gradual cooling down of relations and hostility between the US and USSR.

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Conclude
by
mention that
it proved to be
a kick-start for
movements to make
the world safe from
horrors of a nuclear
war



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20. Critically examine the impact of urbanization on tribal populations. (15 Marks, 250 words)

Need to quote facts related to impact on tribals

The rapid urbanization of India has led to far-reaching impacts on multiple areas and people. The tribal people have been the most affected, with their traditional lifestyles undergoing a change.

Positive impacts

points are valid but

i) Better infrastructure of urban areas provides the tribals with better roads, schools, hospitals etc, thus improving their quality of life.

ii) Economic opportunities are available in urban areas, which provides them formal sector employment, skilled trade and services.

iii) Cultural integration would also take place, with the tribal culture interacting with the urban cosmopolitan culture. This would promote diversity and inclusiveness.

add eg -> can study to justify them



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better linkage i) Social empowerment of the tribals take place with individuals having the opportunity to participate in community development.

the new points ii) Educational opportunities would be available for the tribals, including better schools and colleges.

been established iii) Healthcare would be better in urban areas, thus leading to increased life expectancy.

Negative impacts

i) Loss of traditional livelihoods: Urbanization disrupts traditional livelihoods like farming, forestry and handicrafts.

ii) Marginalisation: Tribal people migrating to urban areas may suffer from social exclusion, discrimination and prejudice.

iii) Disruption of social cohesion: The tribal society is generally based on kinship based society social



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well covered points

structure. This structure would be hampered by urbanization

iv) Environmental degradation : Deforestation leads to loss of livelihoods and cultural practices of the tribals.

v) Health issues : Urbanization may expose the tribals to diseases and pathogens they had not been exposed to before, which may cause epidemics.

- Way forward
- Panchsheel policy of tribal integration
 - Inclusion of tribals in development plans
 - Greater Better implementation of PESA Act. and FRA, 2006
 - Greater autonomy to Gram Panchayats.

mention about

The urbanization of the country will have both positive and negative impacts on tribal population. Steps need to be taken to ensure these do not threaten the tribal culture and lifestyle.