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Q5(b)

**Prehistoric significance of Rakhigarhi**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · Anthropology GS 1 · 10 marks · Principles of Prehistoric Archaeology. Chronology

(a) Principles of Prehistoric Archaeology. Chronology: Relative and Absolute Dating methods.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

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**Rakhigarhi**

Harappan urban complex in Hisar district, Haryana, among the largest known Indus settlements.

**Vasant Shinde**

Led later Deccan College excavations, including cemetery and aDNA collaboration.

**2019 aDNA paper**

Reported Iranian farmer-related and South Asian hunter-gatherer-related ancestry without Steppe admixture in the sampled Mature Harappan individual.

**Ghaggar-Drishadvati**

The river belt in which Rakhigarhi's urban Harappan occupation sat.

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