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Q2(b)

**"Indus Valley was the first settlement of the big civilization."
Comment critically.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · Anthropology GS 2 · 15 marks · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

1.1 Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization-Prehistoric (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic and Neolithic-Chalcolithic), Protohistoric (Indus Civilization). Pre-Harappan, Harappan and post-Harappan cultures. Contributions of the tribal cultures to Indian civilization.

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Mehrgarh

Neolithic site in Balochistan with early farming, houses, and craft long before Mature Harappan cities.

Mature Harappan

Urban phase with Mohenjo-daro, Harappa, Dholavira, Rakhigarhi, and Lothal, about 2600-1900 BCE in standard chronology.

Bhirrana and Girawad

Ghaggar-belt sites with early levels used to argue pre-urban settlement in the greater Indus tradition.

Dholavira

Kachchh city excavated by R. S. Bisht, with reservoirs, walls, and a staged urban plan.

Kot Diji

Early Harappan type site showing fortified village life before the Mature street-and-drain package.

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