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Q6(c)

"Siwalik deposits show a variety of Neogene fossil primates." Critically examine.

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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Chinji-Nagri

Lower to Middle Siwalik units that yield the main Miocene hominoid sample.

Sivapithecus

Dominant large ape of the Siwaliks, facially close to the orangutan.

Indopithecus / G. giganteus

Very large Siwalik hominoid, related to the Gigantopithecus problem, not to Homo.

Haritalyangar

Himachal locality central to Indian Sivapithecus and giant ape jaws.

Pilbeam revision

Showed that Ramapithecus belongs with Sivapithecus, ending its hominin status.

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