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Q3(b)

Was Mesolithic culture the first step towards a sedentary way of life? Illustrate your answer by citing suitable examples.

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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Bagor

Rajasthan Mesolithic site excavated by V. N. Misra, with long occupation and later animal herding.

Damdama and Mahadaha

Ganga valley Mesolithic cemetery-settlement sites showing repeated burial at one place.

Bhimbetka

Shelter complex with Mesolithic occupation and rock art, recording repeated landscape use.

Mehrgarh

Neolithic farming settlement that shows year-round houses and stored crops after the Mesolithic step.

Natufian

West Asian late Epipalaeolithic hamlets often cited as a first step to sedentism before full farming.

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