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Q1(b)

Caste domination, factionalism and political power

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · Anthropology GS 2 · 10 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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Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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Defined dominant caste from Mysore village studies: numerical strength, land, ritual rank and a modern elite.

Indra Sawhney (1992)

Supreme Court upheld 27 percent OBC reservation, imposed a 50 percent ceiling in ordinary circumstances, and excluded the creamy layer.