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Discuss whether formation of new states in recent times is beneficial or not for the economy of India.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2018 · GS I · 15 marks · World's Physical Geography

Salient features of world's physical geography.

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States in 2000

Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Uttarakhand were created from Madhya Pradesh, Bihar, and Uttar Pradesh.

Telangana, 2014

Formed under the **Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2014**, with Hyderabad as the shared capital for a fixed period.

Article 3

Constitutional power of Parliament to form new states and alter boundaries.

Mineral hinterlands

Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh hold a large share of India's coal and some metallic minerals, which was a stated economic case for split.

Finance Commission

Transfer system on which many new or small states still depend if their own tax base is thin.

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