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Q16

**Discuss the multi-dimensional implications of uneven distribution of mineral oil in the world.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS I · 15 marks · Natural Resources and Industries

Distribution of key natural resources across the world (including South Asia and the Indian sub-continent); factors responsible for the location of primary, secondary, and tertiary sector industries in various parts of the world (including India).

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

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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**Strait of Hormuz**

Chokepoint for a large share of seaborne crude.

**OPEC+**

Producer group that can still move the price with output deals.

**India crude import**

High import dependence, so oil is a fiscal and external-sector fact.

**SPR India**

Underground strategic reserves on the west and east coasts.

**1973 shock**

Political use of oil that taught importers the cost of uneven geology.

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