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Why is India considered as a sub-continent? Elaborate your answer.

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Salient features of world's physical geography.

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Indian Plate

Tectonic plate whose collision with Eurasia built the Himalaya.

Monsoon

Seasonal wind-rain system that unifies much of the sub-continent's climate calendar.

Indo-Gangetic plain

Foredeep that holds a civilisational density unique at this scale.

Western Ghats-Himalaya

Two biodiversity hotspots inside the same physical block.

South Asia

Political neighbourhood that sits on the same physiographic sub-continent.

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