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Discuss the natural resource potentials of 'Deccan trap'

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2022 · GS I · 10 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).

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Deccan Trap

Flood-basalt province covering much of Maharashtra and adjoining western-central India.

Black cotton soil (regur)

Moisture-retentive clay soil from basalt, famous for rain-fed cotton.

Laterite

Leached plateau cap that yields brick earth and, in places, bauxite.

Godavari-Krishna-Tapi

Major rivers that drain trap country and support canal irrigation where wells fail.

Inter-trappean beds

Sedimentary breaks between lava flows that mark soils, fossils, and local aquifers.

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