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Q5

Why do large cities tend to attract more migrants than smaller towns? Discuss in the light of conditions in developing countries.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · GS I · 10 marks · World's Physical Geography

Salient features of world's physical geography.

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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Harris-Todaro

A model of rural-urban migration based on expected urban wages, including the chance of a formal job, not only the wage already in hand.

Urban primacy

The dominance of one or a few cities in a country's urban system, common where infrastructure and industry were historically concentrated.

Agglomeration economies

Productivity and matching gains when firms and workers cluster, which raise the pull of already-large cities.

Chain migration

Movement along family and community networks that lowers the cost and risk of arriving in a known neighbourhood.

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