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Q17

Discuss the distribution and density of population in the Ganga River Basin with special reference to land, soil and water resources.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · GS I · 15 marks · Women, Population and Urbanisation

Role of women and women's organization, population and associated issues, poverty and developmental issues, urbanization, their problems and their remedies.

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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Khadar and bhangar

New and old alluvium of the Ganga system; khadar is more flood-prone and often more fertile.

North Bihar floods

Annual inundation where Himalayan tributaries meet the plain, a hazard that sits on the dense population map.

Arsenic belt

Parts of the **Bengal delta** and adjoining plains have natural arsenic in groundwater, a water-resource limit on the same dense belt.

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