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Has digital illiteracy, particularly in rural areas, couple with lack of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) accessibility hindered socio-economic development? Examine with justification.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS II · 15 marks · Governance and Policy

Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation.

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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BharatNet

National optical-fibre push to gram panchayats; last-mile quality still uneven.

PMGDISHA

Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan; official rural digital-literacy mission.

Common Service Centres

Village-level assisted access points that exist because unassisted ICT still fails.

JAM / DBT

Jan Dhan-Aadhaar-Mobile stack whose errors punish the digitally weak.

COVID e-education gap

Documented rural and gender disadvantage when school moved to the phone.

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