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Q4

Examine the role of supermarkets in supply chain management of fruits, vegetables and food items. How do they eliminate number of intermediaries? (150 Words, 10 Marks).

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2018 · GS III · 10 marks · Indian Economy

Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.

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APMC chain

Typical path: farmer, village aggregator, mandi commission agent, urban wholesaler, then retailer; each hop takes time and margin.

Collection centre

Rural or peri-urban supermarket hub that grades and buys produce closer to the farm than the terminal market.

Cold chain

Pack-houses, reefer transport and store refrigeration that slow spoilage of fruits, vegetables and dairy.

FDI in food retail

Union policy from 2016 allowed 100 per cent FDI in food retail trading of food products manufactured or produced in India, with conditions.

FPO

Farmer Producer Organisation: aggregator so smallholders can meet supermarket volume and quality specs.

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