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Q1

Explain the difference between computing methodology of India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) before the year 2015 and after the year 2015.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · GS III · 10 marks · Indian Economy

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

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Base year

National Accounts shifted from 2004-05 to 2011-12 in the January 2015 revision.

GVA at basic prices

Post-2015 production measure: factor-cost GVA plus production taxes minus production subsidies. Not factor cost.

GDP at market prices

GVA plus product taxes minus product subsidies; the headline GDP total after 2015.

MCA21

Ministry of Corporate Affairs e-filing database used to capture private corporate value added more fully.

SNA 2008

UN statistical standard that the 2015 Indian series sought to follow more closely.

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