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Q4

**State the objectives and measures of land reforms in India.  
Discuss how land ceiling policy on landholding can be considered  
as an effective reform under economic criteria.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · GS III · 10 marks · Land Reforms

Land reforms in India.

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**Zamindari abolition**

First-generation State laws in the 1950s removed intermediaries between the State and the cultivator.

**Ceiling laws**

1960s-70s statutes capped family holdings; declared surplus was smaller than the paper target because of exemptions and evasion.

**DILRMP**

**Digital India** Land Records Modernization Programme: computerise records and map parcels so title can support credit.

**Model leasing Act 2016**

**NITI Aayog** draft so landowners can lease legally without fear of losing title, and tenants can access credit.

**Ninth Schedule**

Many early land-reform laws were placed here to shield them from property-right challenges.

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