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Q1(b)**Extractive capitalism.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2026 · PSIR GS 2 · 10 marks · Comparative Politics

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Comparative Politics: Nature and major approaches; political economy and political sociology perspectives; limitations of the comparative method.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round.

World Systems Theory

Immanuel Wallerstein's framework explaining how peripheral economies specialize in low-value raw material extraction for the core.

Resource Curse Hypothesis

Economic phenomenon where resource-rich nations experience lower economic growth and worse governance outcomes than resource-poor nations.

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