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Q6(b)

Discuss the trend of urbanization in India. Do you think that Industrialization is the only precondition of urbanization? Give you arguments

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · Sociology GS 2 · 20 marks · Industrialization and Urbanisation in India

Industrialization and Urbanisation in India: Evolution of modern industry in India; Growth of urban settlements in India; Working class: structure, growth, class mobilization; Informal sector, child labour; Slums and deprivation in urban areas.

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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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Census towns

Settlements that meet urban criteria of population, density and male non-farm work but are not statutory towns.

2011 urban share

About 31 percent; subsequent growth is driven by metros, reclassification and peri-urban spread.

Exclusionary urbanisation

Amitabh Kundu's thesis that Indian cities restrict poor in-migrants' access to housing and services even as they use their labour.

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