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UPSC Mains 2016 Anthropology Paper 2

Questions only

<https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains/anthropology/gs-2/2016/>

Answer key at the end of this PDF

Attempt the paper first. After the last question, this pack closes with a compiled answer key: official letters in boxed exam order, then a question-wise list with Solution links to WRAP Exams.

Q1(a) • 10 marks

Significance of Mesolithic findings from Belan Valley

Topic • Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/significance-of-mesolithic-findings-from-belan-valley/>

Q1(b) • 10 marks

Linguistic elements in Indian population

Topic • Demographic profile of India

Solution —

<https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/linguistic-clements-in-indian-population/>

Q1(c) • 10 marks

Relevance of caste in contemporary Indian politics

Topic • Emergence, growth and development of Anthropology in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/relevance-of-caste-in-contemporary-indian-politics/>

Q1(d) • 10 marks

Impact of Jainism on Indian society

Topic • Impact of Buddhism, Jainism, Islam and Christianity on Indian society.

Solution —

<https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/impact-of-jainism-on-indian-society/>

Q1(e) • 10 marks

Ethno-archaeological evidences for the survival of hunting-gathering traditions in India.

Topic • Ethno-archaeology in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/ethno-archaeological-evidences-for-the-survival-of-hunting-gathering-traditions-in-india/>

Q2(a) · 20 marks

Write about the contribution made by Christoph von Furer-Haimendorf to tribal anthropology in India

Topic · Emergence, growth and development of Anthropology in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/write-about-the-contribution-made-by-christoph-von-furer-haimendorf-to-tribal-anthropology-in-india/>

Q2(b) · 15 marks

Delineate the salient characteristics of 'Narmada Man' and examine its phylogenetic significance

Topic · Palaeo-Anthropological evidences from India with special reference to Siwaliks and Narmada basin (Ramapithecus, Sivapithecus and Narmada Man).

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/delineate-the-salient-characteristics-of-narmada-man-and-examine-its-phylogenetic-significance/>

Q2(c) · 15 marks

Discuss how cultural diversity of Indian tribes has enriched its plural traditions

Topic · Indigenous and exogenous processes of socio-cultural change in Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/discuss-how-cultural-diversity-of-indian-tribes-has-enriched-its-plural-traditions/>

Q3(a) · 20 marks

Examine the structural and cultural theories of caste system in India

Topic · Caste system in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/examine-the-structural-and-cultural-theories-of-caste-system-in-india/>

Q3(b) · 15 marks

Give a critical assessment of 'Negrito Problem' in India

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/give-a-critical-assessment-of-negrito-problem-in-india/>

Q3(c) · 15 marks

Describe the traditional patterns of settlement of Indian villages

Topic · Indian Village

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/describe-the-traditional-patterns-of-settlement-of-indian-villages/>

Q4(a) • 20 marks

Give a detailed appraisal of skeletal remains from Chalcolithic culture of undivided Punjab

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/give-a-detailed-appraisal-of-skeletal-remains-from-chalcolithic-culture-of-undivided-punjab/>

Q4(b) • 15 marks

How is process of tribe-caste continuum different from Sanskritization? Comment

Topic · Caste system in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/how-is-process-of-tribe-caste-continuum-different-from-sanskritization-comment/>

Q4(c) • 15 marks

Compare the contribution of L. P. Vidyarthi and D. N. Majumdar to the study of Indian tribes

Topic · Indian Village

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/compare-the-contribution-of-l-p-vidyarthi-and-d-n-majumdar-to-the-study-of-indian-tribes/>

Q5(a) • 10 marks

The role that regionalism plays in demand for autonomy among Indian tribes

Topic · The concept of ethnicity

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/the-role-that-regionalism-plays-in-demand-for-autonomy-among-indian-tribes/>

Q5(b) • 10 marks

Bio-genetic variability of Indian tribes

Topic · Tribal situation in India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/bio-genetic-variability-of-indian-tribes/>

Q5(c) • 10 marks

Impact of industrialization on scheduled tribe population of Jharkhand

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/impact-of-industrialization-on-scheduled-tribe-population-of-jharkhand/>

Q5(d) • 10 marks

Tribe as a colonial construct

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

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Q5(e) · 10 marks

Anthropological interpretation of ethnic and political movements.

Topic · Contributions of anthropology to the understanding of regionalism, communalism and ethnic and political movements.

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/anthropological-interpretation-of-ethnic-and-political-movements/>

Q6(a) · 20 marks

Explain Indian village as a social system with suitable examples

Topic · Indian Village

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/explain-indian-village-as-a-social-system-with-suitable-examples/>

Q6(b) · 15 marks

Examine the nature of interplay of little and great traditions in the context of globalization

Topic · Indigenous and exogenous processes of socio-cultural change in Indian society

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/examine-the-nature-of-interplay-of-little-and-great-traditions-in-the-context-of-globalization/>

Q6(c) · 15 marks

Explain the difficulties experienced by scheduled tribes with regard to implementation of the 'Recognition of Forest Rights Act, 2006'

Topic · Problems of exploitation and deprivation of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes. Constitutional safeguards for Scheduled Tribes and...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/explain-the-difficulties-experienced-by-scheduled-tribes-with-regard-to-implementation-of-the-recognition-of-forest-rights-act-2006/>

Q7(a) · 20 marks

Examine the factors responsible for the exploitation of scheduled castes in India

Topic · Problems of exploitation and deprivation of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes. Constitutional safeguards for Scheduled Tribes and...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/examine-the-factors-responsible-for-the-exploitation-of-scheduled-castes-in-india/>

Q7(b) · 15 marks

Discuss the impact of Islam on scheduled tribes of India

Topic · Impact of Buddhism, Jainism, Islam and Christianity on Indian society.

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/discuss-the-impact-of-islam-on-scheduled-tribes-of-india/>

Q7(c) · 15 marks

Describe how various tribal development programmes and plans have impacted the process of social transformation among tribes

Topic · Social change and contemporary tribal societies

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/describc-how-various-tribal-development-programmes-and-plans-have-impacted-the-process-of-social-transformation-among-tribes/>

Q8(a) · 20 marks

Write in detail various provisions provided by the Constitution of India for the scheduled tribes under Fifth and Sixth Schedules

Topic · Problems of exploitation and deprivation of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes. Constitutional safeguards for Scheduled Tribes and...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/write-in-detail-various-provisions-provided-by-the-constitution-of-india-for-the-scheduled-tribes-under-vth-and-vith-schedules/>

Q8(b) · 15 marks

Critically examine the role of NGOs and missionaries in transformation of scheduled tribes in Central India

Topic · Problems of exploitation and deprivation of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes. Constitutional safeguards for Scheduled Tribes and...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2016/critically-examine-the-role-of-ngos-and-missionaries-in-transformation-of-scheduled-tribes-in-central-india/>

Q8(c) · 15 marks

Describe how anthropological knowledge and methods are useful in rural development

Topic · Role of anthropology in tribal and rural development.

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Compiled answer key

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Q1(e) 10 marks	Q2(a) 20 marks	Q2(b) 15 marks	Q2(c) 15 marks
Q3(a) 20 marks	Q3(b) 15 marks	Q3(c) 15 marks	Q4(a) 20 marks
Q4(b) 15 marks	Q4(c) 15 marks	Q5(a) 10 marks	Q5(b) 10 marks
Q5(c) 10 marks	Q5(d) 10 marks	Q5(e) 10 marks	Q6(a) 20 marks
Q6(b) 15 marks	Q6(c) 15 marks	Q7(a) 20 marks	Q7(b) 15 marks
Q7(c) 15 marks	Q8(a) 20 marks	Q8(b) 15 marks	Q8(c) 15 marks

Question-wise key

Q1(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q1(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q2(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q2(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q2(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q3(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q3(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q3(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q4(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q4(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q4(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q5(a) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(b) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(c) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(d) · 10 marks Solution

Q5(e) · 10 marks Solution

Q6(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q6(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q6(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q7(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q7(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q7(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q8(a) · 20 marks Solution

Q8(b) · 15 marks Solution

Q8(c) · 15 marks Solution

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