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UPSC Mains 2021 Anthropology Paper 2

Questions only

<https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains/anthropology/gs-2/2021/>

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

Purushartha and righteous living today

Topic • Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution —

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Q1(b) • 10 marks

Relevance of tribe-caste continuum

Topic • Caste system in India

Solution —

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Q1(c) • 10 marks

Harappan seals

Topic • Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/harappan-seals/>

Q1(d) • 10 marks

Caste and social capital

Topic • Indian Village

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/caste-and-social-capital/>

Q1(e) • 10 marks

Factionalism and politics in rural India.

Topic • Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution —

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Q2(a) · 20 marks

Critically discuss the origin of Indus Valley Civilization. Mention the evidences of its endogenous origin from the pre-Harappan sites

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/critically-discuss-the-origin-of-indus-valley-civilization-mention-the-evidences-of-its-endogenous-origin-from-the-pre-harappan-sites/>

Q2(b) · 15 marks

Give the distribution and characteristic features of Upper Paleolithic culture in India

Topic · Demographic profile of India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/give-the-distribution-and-characteristic-features-of-upper-paleolithic-culture-in-india/>

Q2(c) · 15 marks

Discuss the morphological features and phylogenetic Position of Ramapithecus

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-2/2021/discuss-the-morphological-features-and-phylogenetic-position-of-ramapithecus/>

Q3(a) · 20 marks

Explain the impact of the concept of nature-man-spirit complex on sustainable use of natural resources with suitable examples

Topic · Sacred Complex and Nature-Man-Spirit Complex.

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/explain-the-impact-of-the-concept-of-nature-man-spirit-complex-on-sustainable-use-of-natural-resources-with-suitable-examples/>

Q3(b) · 15 marks

Examine the contributions of S. C. Roy in highlighting the role of customary laws in tribal life

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/examine-the-contributions-of-s-c-roy-in-highlighting-the-role-of-customary-laws-in-tribal-life/>

Q3(c) · 15 marks

Critically assess the impact of Christianity on tribal culture and identity

Topic · Impact of Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity, Islam and other religions on tribal societies.

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/critically-assess-the-impact-of-christianity-on-tribal-culture-and-identity/>

Q4(a) · 20 marks

Discuss the contributions of N. K. Bose in understanding tribal communities and their place in Indian civilization

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/discuss-the-contributions-of-n-k-bose-in-understanding-tribal-communities-and-their-place-in-indian-civilization/>

Q4(b) · 15 marks

Discuss the role of Panchayati Raj Institutions in transforming traditional power hierarchy in rural India

Topic · Indian Village

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/discuss-the-role-of-panchayati-raj-institutions-in-transforming-traditional-power-hierarchy-in-rural-india/>

Q4(c) · 15 marks

Elucidate the problems and challenges in educational attainment of the Scheduled Tribes

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-2/2021/elucidate-the-problems-and-challenges-in-educational-attainment-of-the-scheduled-tribes/>

Q5(a) · 10 marks

Urbanization and tribal institutions

Topic · Social change and contemporary tribal societies

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/urbanization-and-tribal-institutions/>

Q5(b) · 10 marks

Ethnic media and social awareness

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

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/ethnic-media-and-social-awareness/>

Q5(c) · 10 marks

Cultural diversity and multiculturalism

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

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Q5(d) · 10 marks

Concept of tribe and Indian census

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution —

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Q5(e) · 10 marks

Politics of recognition and deprivation.

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

Solution —

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Q6(a) · 20 marks

Discuss the impact of the Forest Rights Act (2006) on the livelihood and culture of tribal people in India

Topic · Developmental projects and their impact on tribal displacement and problems of rehabilitation.

Development of forest policy and tribals. Impact of...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/discuss-the-impact-of-the-forest-rights-act-2006-on-the-livelihood-and-culture-of-tribal-people-in-india/>

Q6(b) · 15 marks

Examine the factors responsible for malnutrition in tribal India and suggest interventions required to overcome the problem

Topic · Demographic profile of India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/examine-the-factors-responsible-for-malnutrition-in-tribal-india-and-suggest-interventions-required-to-overcome-the-problem/>

Q6(c) · 15 marks

Delineate the factors influencing fertility in Indian population

Topic · Demographic profile of India

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/delineate-the-factors-influencing-fertility-in-indian-population/>

Q7(a) · 20 marks

Explain the impact of successive Land Acquisition Acts on tribal social organization

Topic · Social change and contemporary tribal societies

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/explain-the-impact-of-successive-land-acquisition-acts-on-tribal-social-organization/>

Q7(b) • 15 marks

Discuss the problems involved in rehabilitation and resettlement of tribals displaced due to development projects in India

Topic · Developmental projects and their impact on tribal displacement and problems of rehabilitation.
Development of forest policy and tribals. Impact of...

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/discuss-the-problems-involved-in-rehabilitation-and-resettlement-of-tribals-displaced-due-to-development-projects-in-india/>

Q7(c) • 15 marks

Discuss the interventions made by the Non-Governmental Organizations for empowering tribal women

Topic · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

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Q8(a) • 20 marks

Examine how structural transformation in economy is affecting traditional social relationships in agrarian society

Topic · Indian Village

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Q8(b) • 15 marks

Delineate the constitutional safeguard for religious minorities in India

Topic · Linguistic and religious minorities and their social, political and economic status.

Solution — <https://wrapexams.com/upsc/mains-answers/anthropology-gs-2/2021/delineate-the-constitutional-safeguard-for-religious-minorities-in-india/>

Q8(c) • 15 marks

Identify the causes of tribal unrest with special reference to North-East India

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-2/2021/identify-the-causes-of-tribal-unrest-with-special-reference-to-north-east-india/>

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

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Q6(a) · 20 marks Solution

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Q6(c) · 15 marks Solution

Q7(a) · 20 marks Solution

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Q8(a) · 20 marks Solution

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Q8(c) · 15 marks Solution

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