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India - Size and Location

India's Size and Location: Key Geographical Insights

DEFINITION

> India is the seventh-largest country in the world, located in South Asia. Its geographical position influences its climate, culture, and economy.

KEY CONCEPTS

Geographical Coordinates

India is located between 8°4'N to 37°6'N latitude and 68°7'E to 97°25'E longitude.

Land Area

India covers an area of approximately 3.287 million square kilometers, making it the seventh-largest country.

Surrounding Countries

India shares borders with Pakistan, China, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

Coastline

India has a long coastline of about 7,517 kilometers, bordered by the Indian Ocean, Arabian Sea, and Bay of Bengal.

Climate Zones

India experiences diverse climates, including tropical, arid, and temperate, due to its vast size.

EXAMPLES

→ India's latitude contributes to its diverse climate.

→ The Himalayas form a natural border with China.

→ India's coastline supports major ports like Mumbai.

MEMORY TIPS

★ Remember '7, 8, 9' for India's size: 7th largest, 8°N to 37°N latitude.

★ Use 'C-B-P' to recall neighboring countries: China, Bhutan, Pakistan.

★ Think of '3 O's' for oceans: Indian, Arabian, Bay of Bengal.

COMMON MISTAKES

✗ Confusing India's size with population size.

✗ Overlooking the significance of geographical coordinates.

✗ Not recognizing the impact of location on climate.

QUICK RECAP

India is the seventh-largest country, located in South Asia with diverse climates. Its geographical features, including borders and coastlines, significantly influence its culture and economy.