

Trade and Transport in India

Chapter 19: Trade and Transport in India · Topic 1

Key Concept

India's extensive road network provides flexible transport, especially important for connecting rural areas to markets and cities.

The Indian Railways is one of the largest railway networks in the world, crucial for transporting both passengers and bulk goods.

Major ports, like Mumbai, Chennai, and Kolkata, facilitate international trade, handling imports and exports via sea routes.

India's trade includes exports like textiles, IT services, and agricultural products, and imports like petroleum and machinery.

Quick Revision Notes

- India has an extensive road network.
- Roads connect rural areas to markets and cities.
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- It transports passengers and bulk goods.
- Major ports: Mumbai, Chennai, Kolkata.
- Ports facilitate international trade.
- Exports include textiles, IT services, agricultural products.
- Imports include petroleum and machinery.

Practice Questions

- 1 Discuss the importance of India's road network.
- 2 Research the Indian Railways' significance.
- 3 Name a major Indian port and its role.
- 4 List three Indian exports and three imports.
- 5 Discuss how transport supports trade.
- 6 Create a map showing major Indian transport routes.