

Infrastructure and Development

Chapter 19: Infrastructure: Engine of India's Development · Topic 2

Key Concept

Improved transportation infrastructure, like better roads and railways, reduces travel time and costs, boosting trade and connecting people to opportunities.

Access to reliable electricity and water supply improves quality of life, supports industries, and enables better healthcare and education services.

Digital infrastructure, like internet access, has become increasingly important, enabling access to information, remote work, and online education opportunities.

Investing in infrastructure development, especially in underdeveloped areas, can help reduce inequality and support balanced growth across different regions.

Quick Revision Notes

- Better transportation reduces travel time and costs.
- Transportation infrastructure boosts trade and opportunity access.
- Reliable electricity and water improve quality of life.
- These utilities support industries, healthcare and education.
- Digital infrastructure includes internet access.
- Internet enables remote work and online education.
- Infrastructure investment can reduce regional inequality.
- It supports balanced growth across regions.

Practice Questions

- 1 Discuss how better roads have helped your area.
- 2 Research the impact of electricity access on a community.
- 3 Discuss why internet access matters for education today.
- 4 Research an underdeveloped area needing infrastructure investment.
- 5 Explain how infrastructure can reduce inequality.
- 6 Discuss one infrastructure improvement you'd like to see in your area.