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1. Aravalli Mountain

Theme for Today:

- In today's discussion upon Aravalli we are purely restricting to the physical features.

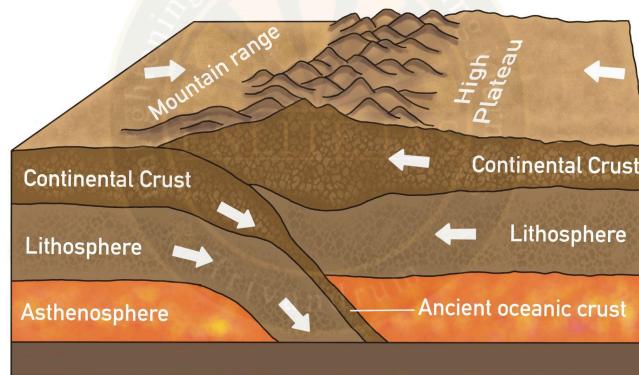
Formation

- Aravalli formation just like most mountain formation is explained based on plate tectonics collision in the Earth's crust much before the Himalayan formation.
- They were formed during the **Aravalli–Delhi Orogeny** involving collision of micro plates which later became part of Indian plate.
- They extend from Gujarat to Delhi.

Importance

- Serves as a natural barrier against desertification and sandstorms.
- Source of important rivers such as Chambal, Sabarmati, and Luni.
- Provide essential resources like fuelwood, fodder, fruits, and commercial products.
- Helps in regulating precipitation through evapotranspiration.

Continental- Continental Convergence



2. Indira Gandhi Peace Prize

Fact To Know

- Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development, is an annual award accorded by the Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust.
- The 2025 is awarded to Mozambican rights activist Graca Machel.

3. Depreciation of Currency

Focus

- UPSC when asking about currency appreciation and depreciation will be checking whether an aspirant has understood the concept.

Concept

- If the value of rupee against 1 dollar was 80 last year and it is now 90 it means Rupee has depreciated. It means Rupee is losing its value relative to dollar.
- If the value of rupee against 1 dollar was 80 last year and it is now 70 it means Rupee has appreciated. It means Rupee is gaining its value relative to dollar.
- **Will depreciation/appreciation of currency be of advantage to importers?**
Please think about this question. We will try to explain this question in tomorrow's notes.
- **Sometimes countries depreciates their currency to boost exports.**
YES/NO.