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First urbanisation in India was that of Harappan times of around 2300 BC. While the second urbanisation refers to the formation of cities such as Kaushambi & Kushinagara in around 6th century BCE.

First urbanisation forced

- many historians such as John Marshall, M E Moolwath and V Child have stated that Harappan civilisation was handwork of foreigners from Southern Mesopotamia.
- since these foreigners were already living in urban centres in Mesopotamia they immigrated and led to city life in just 70 500 years.
- The evidence which is given are :-
 - 1) Both Harappan & Mesopotamian had pictorial script
 - 2) use of bronze by both
 - 3) Urban centres

Remarks