

in Harappan culture could be found. It may be possible that Harappan mainly imported perishable materials like food items, wools etc which could not survive till now. From north-east Afghanistan the Harappans traded **Lapis Lazuli** as suggested by finding a large quantity of lapis lazuli from **Harappan outpost of Shortugai**.

Conclusion: Thus the Harappan had an extensive network of trade both within and outside the Harappan Culture zone. The richness in variety of natural resources supports the more vibrant inter regional trade within Harappan culture than the long distance trade with the outside world.

GIST OF THE ANSWER

- Related Historian/Scholar: Dilip Chakrabarty, Sheeren Bhatnagar
- Concept/Principle in Body: Show the trade relation under 3 subheadings- within Harappan culture Zone, with nearby non harappan cultures and Long distance trade. Highlight the items traded and extent of trade.
- Conclusion: Conclude with emphasizing on the resource richness of the Harappan region and thus show that inter regional trade was more vibrant than the Long distance trade with the contemporary west Asian civilizations.
- Must use Keywords: Harappan Culture Zone, Non- Harappan cultures, Ganeshwar-Jodhpur culture.

