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5 unique archaeological sites in India

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A brief thread

There are many prehistoric sites in India, which shed light on the history of human settlement in the country.

We find such sites all across the country.

In this thread, let us know a little bit about 5 such unique sites.

1. Bori (Pune)

(Not to be confused with BORI - we are old, but that old)

One of the oldest pieces of evidence of humans in India, reported artefacts from Bori suggest the existence of humans in India around 1.4 million years ago.

But the most amazing part is that -

The site was found covered in volcanic ash, which came from the eruption of the super-volcano Mount Toba.

Eruptions of Mount Toba over the millennia are believed to be extremely influential catalyst events in earth's history.

2. Isampur (Karnataka)

A densely concentrated complex of 200 odd sites, Isampur excavation uncovered a human settlement that is approximately 11 lakh years old site.

At Isampur, ancient man-made tools made from the bedrock can be found.

3. Suabarei (Odisha)

Odisha offers rich and diverse archaeological sites from various pre-historic eras.

One of such places, a chalcolithic site of Suabarei, is unique because many elephant bones are found here.

4. Agiyabir (Uttar Pradesh)

Situated on the banks of Ganga, the Agiyabir site shows evidence of a Neolithic human settlement that carried out subsistence fishery.

5. Pre-Harappan Pit Dwelling Site of Girawad (Haryana)

Pit-dwelling site is a peculiar type of settlement. In such sites, we find that ancient man dug pits of 3 to 5 meters in diameter in the ground for occupation.

These are found in places that experience harsh winters.

These examples are taken from the upcoming lecture series of Dr. Pramod Joglekar, which starts tomorrow.

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