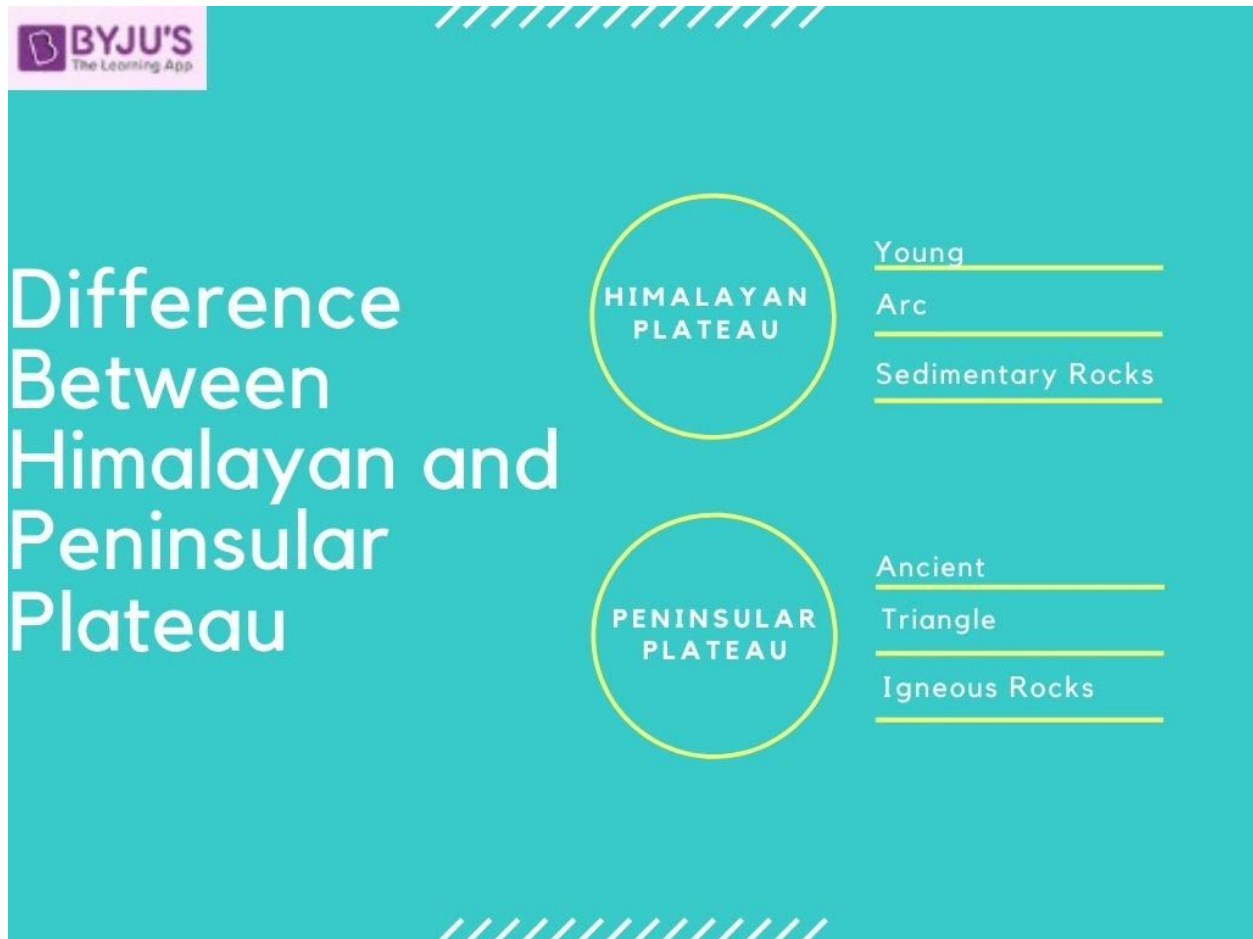


Difference between Himalayan and Peninsular Plateau is explained here in detail. This topic is important from the perspective of Geography Syllabus. The one major difference between them is that the whole mountain system of Himalaya represents a very youthful topography with high peaks, deep valleys and fast-flowing rivers whereas the peninsular plateau is composed of igneous and metamorphic rocks with gently rising hills and wide valleys.

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The major differences between Himalayan and Peninsular Plateau are

Himalayan Region	Peninsular Plateau
Himalayan region are young new fold mountains	Peninsular Plateau is an ancient part of Earth's land mass
It was formed by the collision of the Eurasian plates and the Indo-Australian plates due to Continental Drift.	It was formed by the breaking and drifting of the Gondwana land.

Mount Everest is the highest peak in the Himalayan Region.	Anamudi is the highest Mountain peak in the Peninsular Plateau.
Himalayan Region is the shape of an arc.	The Peninsular Plateau is in the shape of a triangle.
Himalayan Region is made up of sedimentary rocks	The Peninsular Plateau is made up of metamorphic and igneous rocks.
In the Himalayan Region the average height of Mountain peaks is around 6000 metres.	In the Peninsular Plateau the average height of Mountain peaks is around 900 metres.
Himalayan Rivers which originates in the Himalayan region are longer than the peninsular rivers	Peninsular rivers which originate in the Peninsular Plateau are shorter than Himalayan rivers.
Himalayan Rivers which originate from the Himalayan region are perennial since they are both rain fed in monsoon season and fed by melting glaciers of Himalayan mountains in the Summer season.	Peninsular rivers which originate from the Peninsular Plateau are not perennial since they solely depend on monsoon rains.
Not many minerals are found in Himalayan region	The Peninsular Plateau has abundant mineral wealth.

These are the main differences between Himalayan and Peninsular Plateau. The differences given in the above table can help the UPSC Civil Service Exam aspirants to answer any related questions easily in the exams.

After learning about the Himalaya and Peninsular Plateau differences, it is better to know the details of Himalayan and Peninsular Rivers and Important Mountain Passes in India thoroughly. Visit the below-given links to learn about Himalayan and Peninsular Rivers, Important Mountain Passes in India, highest peaks in states of India and top 50 highest mountains in the world, in detail along with other information.

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