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HISTORY (Ch. – 4.)

CHAPTER NAME: THE FIRST CITIES.

Key Aspects

- River valleys and the growth of any ancient civilizations .
- The Indus valley civilization - it's extent and features .
- Trade, craft, administration, script and religion.
- Quest for the causes of decline.

As early man started producing food, he began to lead a semi - settled life .

The first villages were naturally setup in the fertile river valley.

The man learnt the use of metals like copper and bronze.

Better tools and fertile lands led to the surplus production of food grains. So, some people could live food production and shift to other craft and trade.

The centers of agriculture and set up centers of trade and commerce which later got transformed into cities.

The term **civilization means a highly advanced culture with towns and ; crafts and trade; literature and organised form of government.**

INDUS VALLEY CIVILIZATION.

The Indus valley civilization flourished approximately between 2500 BC and 1500 BC.

In India, the first developed cities were found in the valley of river **Indus. So, it was named **Indus valley civilization**.**

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