

Sahul

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About Sahul:

- It can be termed as a **supercontinent** which stood exposed on the Earth's surface when humans were in the middle of what can be **termed as the last ice age**.
- Since the ice age led to glaciation of water levels on the planet, it ended up exposing parts of land like Sahul which connected to currently known Australia to **Papua New Guinea** in the north and Tasmania in the south,
- It helped humans in ancient times to cross continents from Asia to Australia almost **7,000 decades ago**.

What is the Ice age period?

- It is any **geologic period** during which thick ice sheets cover vast areas of land. Such periods of large-scale glaciation may last several million years and drastically reshape surface features of entire continents.
- The earliest known took place during **Precambrian time** dating back more than 570 million years.

- The most recent periods of widespread glaciation occurred during **the Pleistocene Epoch (2.6 million to 11,700 years ago)**.
- Ice ages are **not uniformly cold**. There can be colder and warmer periods during the overall ice-age period.

Colder periods lead to more extensive areas of continental ice sheets, valley glaciers and sea ice, while warmer periods lead to reduced areas of ice.

Q1: What is the Little Ice Age (LIA)?

It was one of the coldest periods of the past 10,000 years, a period of cooling that was particularly pronounced in the North Atlantic region. It is best known for its effects in Europe and the North Atlantic region.

Source: [Atlantis-like continent from ancient times found. Humans existed there 70,000 years ago. Know in detail](#)

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