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## INDUSTRIAL LOCATIONAL THEORY OF WEBER

### INTRODUCTION

There are many factors which are responsible for the industrial location in any specific area including the decision taken during their establishment. Such factors include - Raw materials, Power resources, Labour cost, Market, Means of Transportation etc.

In general the best location for the establishment of an Industry is that which provides "minimum production cost and maximum profit".

There are a number of scholars who presented their theories/models related to industrial localisation among which theory of "ALFRED WEBER" most important and widely accepted.

Alfred Weber was a German economist who presented his Theory of minimum transportation in 1927-28.

His theory is based on this fact that cost of



transportation is the most important factor influencing the localisation of industry.

