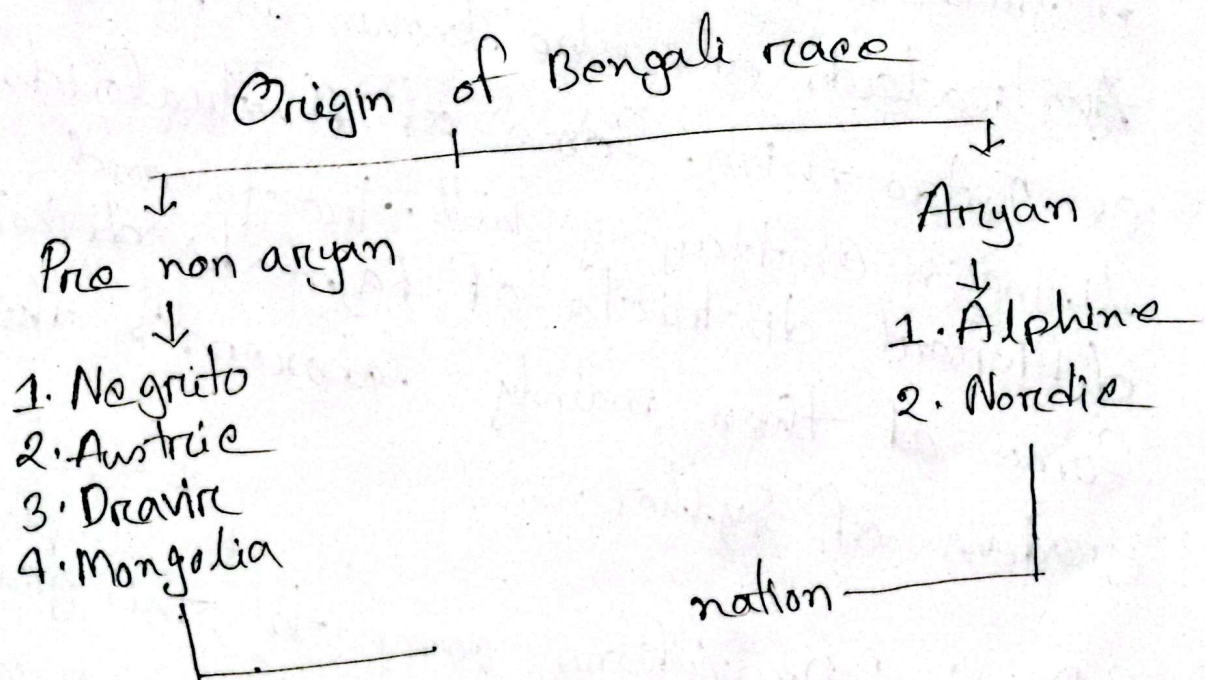


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Ans: Bangladesh is referred to as a nation due to its rich cultural, ethnic and religious diversity. It is said that the origin of human beings is Africa. Later, many of them dispersed across the world. Different people of different race came in Bengal many times and constituted the Bengali race. Below is written the reason Bangladesh is called a nation:



Non aryan group first came to this region.

They named as:



1. Negritos: The Negritos were the first of the racial groups that came to Bangladesh. They have inhabited this country. They lived South of Sahara desert and in Melanesia. Their physical traits are black complexion, undersized, thick lips, flattened nose.

2. Austro: Australoid race came here just after the Negritos and their sources are ~~Negritos~~ and Australian aborigines. Australoids are also known as Austrie or Austro-Asian. Some of Australoids living in Chittagong hill tracts and different districts of Rajshahi division. Some of them mainly laborers in the tea gardens of Sylhet.

3. Dravid: Dravidians came to this <sup>place</sup> ~~group~~ as the third group. Dravidians are a cultural group living in South Asia who can speak any of the Dravidian



languages like Tamil, Kannada, Malayalam, Telugu, and Tulu. They are the smallest ethnic group in Bangladesh. Their physical traits are: black to brown complexion, long head, expansive nose, black and brown hair texture.

- 4. Mongolia: The Mongoloids came to India then Bangladesh through the passes of northern and eastern mountain ranges. Most of the ethnic groups of Bangladesh are Mongoloid. At present, we can see them in Chakma, Marma, Mog, Murong race. Their physical traits are: Flawless and brown complexion, straight hair, small eye shape, flattened nose.

The Aryans came to Bengal at last through invasion from the north of South Asia. They are two groups in general:

1. Alpines: Lived in the high mountain valley, having fair complexion and short

forehead. The upper-class Hindus are mostly from this group

2. Nordic: The character of this group is found among the North Indian people, who have fair complexion and long forehead.

From the above discussion, in conclusion, we can say that the main reasons for coming to Bengal were to conquer and occupy a new region, to do business in the wealthy Bengal. For this reason Bangalis are a nation.