

Ch- 12. The Coastal Plains of India

Hard words :- [Notebook]

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| 1. Coastal Plains | 11. Lakshadweep |
| 2. Kanniyakumari | 12. territories |
| 3. Coromandel | 13. ingredient |
| 4. container | 14. Shrimp |
| 5. Lagoons | 15. temperature |
| 6. Backwaters | 16. witnessed |
| 7. magnificent | 17. evaporating |
| 8. intricate | 18. occupation |
| 9. Alleppey | 19. renowned |
| 10. continental | 20. Vishakhapatnam |

* Think and Answer :- [Textual Exercise]

Exercise - A, B, C and D to be done in text book

Defines:-

1. Cargo - Large vessels designed specifically for the transport of goods across oceans and seas.
2. Tribals - Indigenous or aboriginal people who live in or are native to a particular region.
3. Islands - Islands are piece of sub-continental land surrounded by water from all sides.
4. Backwaters :- a body of water or a part of a river pushed back by the currents of the sea and separated from it by large areas of sand.

E Answer these questions:-

Q.1 Write about the location of coastal plains of India.

Ans:- The Western coastal plain is located along the Arabian sea-coast in the west. The Eastern coastal plain is located along the Bay of Bengal coast in the east.

Q.2 Write a short note on the lagoons of coastal plains.

Ans:- Lagoons are a stretch of salt water separated from the sea by a low sandbank or coral reef. The coasts have a number of lagoons, called 'Kayals' in the native language.

Q.3 Describe the vegetation of coastal plains.

Ans:- Coastal plains are dotted with coconut trees and rice fields. People also grow cocoa, coffee, banana and tea in certain areas.

Q.4 What are islands? Where are the Indian islands situated?

Ans:- Islands are piece of sub continental land surrounded by water from all sides. Andaman and Nicobar Islands are situated at the juncture at Bay of Bengal where as Lakshadweep Islands are located in the Arabian sea.

Q-5 What are the significance of coastal plains?

Ans: (i) The fertile coastal plains produce huge quantities of rice, coconut, sugarcane and spices.

(ii) Most of the international trade is carried out from the ports of Mumbai, Chennai, Kochi and Vishakhapatnam.

Q-6 Write the difference between Western and Eastern coastal plains.

Ans:- <u>Western coastal Plain</u>	<u>Eastern coastal Plain</u>
1. They are located between the Arabian sea and the western ghats.	1. They are located between the Bay of Bengal and the Eastern ghats.
2. They are ranging about 50 kilometers wide.	2. They are ranging from 80 to 100 kilometers wide.
3. They are an example of submergent coastline.	3. They are an example of an emergent coastline.
4. They receive heavy rainfall.	4. They receive comparatively low rainfall.

Give reasons:

1. Why are the Eastern Plains wider than the Western Plains?

Ans- More major rivers flow in the east. Big rivers like the Ganga, Brahmaputra, and their many tributaries bring huge amounts of alluvial soil and spread it over a large area. This makes the plains broad and extensive.

Q. There are many natural harbours on the western coast.

Ans: Because the coastline is irregular and deeply indented. Rivers and sea waves have created natural inlets and bays. Rocky and stable land of coast which helps form good natural shelters.

* Mark the following on the outline map of India -

a) Gujarat Coast

d) Malabar Coast

b) Konkan coast

e) Coromandel Coast

c) Karnataka Coast

f) Northern Circars

