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Ch-5 Indian Desert

Q1. Answer the following questions: (Textual question/answer)

1. Mention any two features of a desert.

Ans- (i) There is very little or no rainfall in desert regions.

(ii) During summers, the days are very hot, while the nights are pleasant. During winters, the days are warm and the nights are cold.

2. Describe the location of the Thar Desert.

Ans- The Thar Desert is located towards the west of the Aravali Hills in Rajasthan and to the west of the Northern Plains. It stretches from the Rann of Kachchh in Gujarat to the borders of Haryana.

3. Name any three crops grown in the Thar Desert.

Ans- Jowar, bajra and maize are some of the crops grown in the Thar Desert.

4. How has irrigation improved in the Thar Desert?

Ans- The water from the Satluj River is brought to the Thar Desert through the Indira Gandhi Canal. This water has helped farmers grow a variety of crops.

5. Do people lead difficult lives in desert areas? Explain.

Ans- Yes, people lead difficult lives in desert areas because:

(i) The land is not fertile. (ii) People live in caravans and keep moving from one place to another in search of their livelihood.

6. The camel is known as the 'ship of the desert'. List a few reasons.

Ans- Camels are used for transport and are very useful animals in deserts. They can live without water and food for many days. Their broad, padded feet help them walk firmly on sand. Their hair is used to make clothes, and their skin is used to make tents. That is why the camel is known as the 'ship of the desert'.

7. How is an oasis useful?

Ans- An oasis is very useful because crops can be grown near it as the soil is fertile. Underground water comes to the surface in the form of a pond and provides water for people and animals living in the desert.

Ch-8 Forests and Wildlife

Q1. Answer the following questions: (Textual question/answer)

1. What is deforestation? List some of its effects.

Ans- Cutting of trees on a large scale is called deforestation. Some effects of deforestation are: (i) Deforestation causes soil erosion. (ii) Cutting down forests leads to the displacement or death of many birds, animals and even human beings. (iii) It leads to less rainfall and reduces the level of oxygen in the air.

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2. Name the trees found in the mountain forests.

Ans- The trees found in mountain forests are Deodar, Pine, Spruce and Fir.

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3. How many national parks and biosphere reserves are there in India?

Ans- There are 106 national parks and 18 biosphere reserves in India.

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4. Name any four products that we get from forests.

Ans- Timber, wood pulp, rubber and gum are four products that we get from forests.

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5. How are forests useful for humans?

Ans- Forests are useful to human beings in the following ways:

(i) Forests provide shelter to wild animals. (ii) They keep the environment cool and fresh. (iii) Wood from forests is used for building houses. (iv) Wood is also used in making plywood.

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6. Why does the government take measures to protect the endangered species?

Ans- The government takes measures to protect endangered animals because many animals and birds are on the verge of extinction. By setting up national parks and wildlife sanctuaries, the government provides a safe place for these species to live and helps them survive in the future.

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