

Resources and Development | Important MCQs

Objective Questions:

Here are all the questions from the chapter **Resources and Development** that have been asked in Pre-Boards and Boards. Practicing these MCQs will sharpen your revision and help you score better.

Q.1 What is the primary purpose of resource planning in a country like India?

- A) To accumulate resources in the hands of a few individuals
- B) To create inequality in resource distribution
- C) To ensure judicious and sustainable use of resources
- D) To encourage indiscriminate exploitation of resources

Answer: C) To ensure judicious and sustainable use of resources

Q.2 Which of the following regions in India is known for its rich mineral and coal deposits?

- A) Arunachal Pradesh
- B) Rajasthan
- C) Jharkhand
- D) Ladakh

Answer: C) Jharkhand

Q.3 What is the significance of [Agenda 21](#) in the context of sustainable development?

- A) It promotes the overuse of resources for economic growth
- B) It aims to combat environmental damage and poverty through global cooperation
- C) It encourages resource depletion for short-term benefits
- D) It advocates the exploitation of resources without considering future generations

Answer: B) It aims to combat environmental damage and poverty through global cooperation

Q.4 What does sustainable economic development mean according to the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit in 1992?

- A) Development should prioritize the needs of future generations.

- B) Development should prioritize economic growth over environmental concerns.
- C) Development should focus on accumulating resources.
- D) Development should disregard the environment for short-term gains.

Answer: A) Development should prioritize the needs of future generations.

Q.5 Why is resource planning essential for the sustainable existence of all forms of life?

- A) To encourage the depletion of resources
- B) To ensure the accumulation of resources in a few hands
- C) To prevent resource exploitation and protect the environment
- D) To promote inequality in resource distribution

Answer: C) To prevent resource exploitation and protect the environment

Q.6 What is the primary reason for the economic backwardness of resource-rich regions in India?

- A) Lack of resources
- B) Poor governance
- C) Lack of historical experiences
- D) Overutilization of resources

Answer: B) Poor governance

Q.7 Which state in India is known for its abundant water resources but still faces economic challenges?

- A) Punjab
- B) Kerala
- C) Haryana
- D) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: D) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.8 What factor played a significant role in allowing colonizing countries to exploit resources in other regions during colonization?

- A) Human capital

- B) Historical experiences
- C) Advanced technology
- D) Limited resources

Answer: C) Advanced technology

Q.9 Who emphasized the importance of resource conservation and criticized the exploitative nature of modern technology?

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- B) Subhas Chandra Bose
- C) Mahatma Gandhi
- D) Sardar Patel

Answer: C) Mahatma Gandhi

Q.10 Which concept gained prominence in discussions about responsible resource usage and environmental protection?

- A) Mass production
- B) Sustainable Development
- C) Resource exploitation
- D) Industrialization

Answer: B) Sustainable Development

Q.11 Where was the Earth Summit held in 1992?

- A) It was held in Mumbai in India.
- B) It was held in New York in USA.
- C) It was held in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil.
- D) It was held in Kyoto in Canada.

Answer: C) It was held in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil.

Q.12 How are resources classified based on their origin?

- A) Renewable and non-renewable
- B) Biotic and abiotic

- C) Individual, community, national, and international
- D) Potential, developed stock, and reserves

Answer: B) Biotic and abiotic

Q.13 What is the primary goal of sustainable economic development?

- A) Indiscriminate exploitation of resources
- B) Accumulation of resources in a few hands
- C) Development without damaging the environment
- D) Depletion of resources for satisfying individual greed

Answer: C) Development without damaging the environment

Q.14 Why is resource planning essential for a country like India?

- A) To deplete resources for economic growth
- B) To encourage accumulation of resources in a few hands
- C) To ensure a judicious use of diverse resources
- D) To promote indiscriminate exploitation of resources

Answer: C) To ensure a judicious use of diverse resources

Q.15 What are the three main aspects involved in the complex process of resource planning in India?

- A) Identification, Inventory, and Evolution
- B) Surveying, Mapping, and Planning
- C) Technology, Skill, and Institutions
- D) Availability, Technology, and Development

Answer: A) Identification, Inventory, and Evolution

Q.16 Which country made concerted efforts for resource planning right from the First Five Year Plan launched after Independence?

- A) China
- B) India
- C) Brazil

D) USA

Answer: B) India

Q.17 Who voiced concern about resource conservation with the statement, "There is enough for everybody's need and not for anybody's greed"?

A) Jawaharlal Nehru

B) Mahatma Gandhi

C) Club of Rome

D) Schumacher

Answer: B) Mahatma Gandhi

Q.18 Which international commission introduced the concept of "sustainable development" for resource conservation?

A) The Brundtland Commission

B) The Club of Rome

C) The Earth Summit Commission

D) Schumacher Commission

Answer: A) The Brundtland Commission

Q.19 What was the significant contribution made at the Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro in 1992?

A) Introduction of Sustainable Development

B) Advocacy for Mass Production

C) Resource Exploitation

D) Historical Experiences

Answer: A) Introduction of Sustainable Development

Q.20 What percentage of India's land area is plain?

A) 30%

B) 43%

C) 27%

D) 20%

Answer: B) 43%

Q.21 What is the percentage of India's land under the plateau region?

- A) 30%
- B) 43%
- C) 27%
- D) 20%

Answer: C) 27%

Q.22 What is the term for the physical extent of land on which crops are sown and harvested?

- A) Net Sown Area
- B) Gross Cropped Area
- C) Current Fallow
- D) Barren and Waste Land

Answer: A) Net Sown Area

Q.23 What are the primary factors determining the use of land?

- A) Climate and vegetation
- B) Population density and technological capability
- C) Topography and soil types
- D) All of the above

Answer: D) All of the above

Q.24 Which soil type is known as black cotton soil and is ideal for growing cotton?

- A) Alluvial soil
- B) Red soil
- C) Black soil
- D) Laterite soil

Answer: C) Black soil

Q.25 What is the primary reason for the reddish color of the soil in certain regions?

- A) Presence of iron in crystalline and metamorphic rocks
- B) High rainfall in tropical areas
- C) Abundance of organic matter
- D) Presence of phosphoric acid

Answer: A) Presence of iron in crystalline and metamorphic rocks

Q.26 What is the meaning of the term 'Laterite' in the context of soil?

- A) It refers to sandy soils found in arid regions.
- B) It indicates soil with high humus content.
- C) It comes from the Latin word 'later,' meaning brick.
- D) It denotes soils rich in phosphoric acid.

Answer: C) It comes from the Latin word 'later,' meaning brick.

Q.27 What is a characteristic feature of arid soils?

- A) Sandy texture and high moisture content
- B) High humus content and fertility
- C) Low salt content and dark color
- D) Sandy texture and saline nature

Answer: D) Sandy texture and saline nature

Q.28 In what regions are forest soils typically found?

- A) Arid and desert areas
- B) Low-lying plains with high moisture
- C) Hilly and mountainous areas with sufficient rainforests
- D) Urban and industrial zones

Answer: C) Hilly and mountainous areas with sufficient rainforests

Q.29 What is the term for the denudation of the soil cover and its subsequent washing down?

- A) Soil enrichment
- B) Soil conservation

- C) Soil erosion
- D) Soil deposition

Answer: C) Soil erosion

Q.30 Which one of the following is the main cause of land degradation in Punjab?

- A) Intensive cultivation
- B) Deforestation
- C) Over irrigation
- D) Overgrazing

Answer: C) Over irrigation

Q.31 In which one of the following states is overgrazing the main reason for land degradation?

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Haryana
- C) Punjab
- D) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: a. Maharashtra

Q.32 The texture of soil varies according to the mountain environment. They are loamy and silty in valley sides and coarse grained in the upper slopes. Identify the soil.

- a. Red and yellow soil
- b. laterite soil
- c. Forest soil
- d. Arid soil

Answer: c. Forest soil

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