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## GPT – Practice Questions (Social)

Soil formed by intense leaching is

- (a) Alluvial soil
- (b) Red soil
- (c) Laterite soil**
- (d) Desert

Fallow land refers to

- (a) land not under cultivation.
- (b) land with many gullies.
- (c) a fertile land.
- (d) cultivable land not cultivated for a season to regain its fertility.**

Method of growing long strips of grass between the crops refers to

- (a) Contour ploughing
- (b) Terrace farming
- (c) Strip cropping**
- (d) Crop rotation

Resources which are surveyed and their quantity and quality have been determined for utilisation is known as

- (a) Potential resources
- (b) Stock
- (c) Developed resources**
- (d) Reserves

Which one of the following statements is true about the term resources?

- (a) Resources are free gifts of nature.
- (b) They are the functions of human activities.**
- (c) All those things which are found in nature.
- (d) Things which cannot be used to fulfill our needs.

Which one of the following types of the resource is iron ore?

- (a) Renewable
- (b) Biotic

- (c) Flow
- (d) Non-renewable**

Under which of the following types of resource the tidal energy can be put?

- (a) Replenishable**
- (b) Human-made
- (c) Abiotic
- (d) Non-recyclable

Resources which are found in a region, but have not been utilised.

- (a) Renewable
- (b) Developed
- (c) National
- (d) Potential**

The most widespread relief feature of India is

- (a) Mountains
- (b) Forests
- (c) Plains**
- (d) Plateaus

The current net sown area of India in 2002-03 is

- (a) 45 percent
- (b) 43.4 percent**
- (c) 50 percent
- (d) 48 percent

The state having maximum net sown area in India is .....

- (a) Jammu and Kashmir
- (b) Uttar Pradesh
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Punjab**

Land left without cultivation for one or less than one agricultural year is called

- (a) Culturable waste land
- (b) Current fallow land**
- (c) Waste land
- (d) None of the above

The present per cent of area under forests is (2002 – 03)

- (a) 18 percent
- (b) 22.57 percent**
- (c) 19 percent
- (d) 11 percent

The factor responsible for maximum land degradation is .....

**(a) Human activities**

- (b) Wind
- (c) Salinity
- (d) Soil erosion

Which agent is responsible for maximum land degradation?

- (a) Wind
- (b) Water**
- (c) Glaciers
- (d) Overgrazing

Which of the following factors involves the transformation of things into a resource ?

- (i) Physical environment
- (ii) Technology
- (iii) Human beings
- (iv) Institutions

- (a) (i) and (ii)
- (b) (ii) and (iii)
- (c) (i) and (iv)
- (d) All of above**

Renewable resources are those

- (a) which cannot be renewed
- (b) which are accessible
- (c) which are developed
- (d) which are renewed by physical, chemical or mechanical processes.**

Which one of the following is not a community resource ?

- (a) Public parks
- (b) A library
- (c) A car**
- (d) A community hall

Territorial waters of India extends to

- (a) 10 Nautical miles
- (b) 15 Nautical miles
- (c) 12 Nautical miles**
- (d) 1900 kilometres

Find out which one of the following is a stock?

- (a) Biofuels**
- (b) Coal
- (c) Solar energy
- (d) Hydro-electricity

The first International Earth Summit was held in

- (a) Geneva
- (b) New York
- (c) Japan
- (d) Rio de Janeiro**

There is enough for everybody's need but not for anybody's greed, Who said this ?

- (a) Jawahar Lai Nehru
- (b) Atal Bihari Vajpai
- (c) M. K. Gandhi**
- (d) Sunder Lai Bhauguna

The area brought under cultivation in a year is called .....

- (a) Fallow land
- (b) Cultivable
- (c) Net sown area**
- (d) Gross sown area

I am the most widespread soil, covering the Northern Plains and Eastern Coastal Plains-who am I ?

- (a) Black soil
- (b) Forest soil
- (c) Red soil
- (d) Alluvial soil**

Resources which are non-renewable but can be recycled are called

- (a) Renewable resources
- (b) Non-renewable resources
- (c) Recyclable resources**
- (d) Biotic resources

Soil is formed by the process of

- (a) Denudation
- (b) Gradation
- (c) Weathering**
- (d) Erosion

Supply a technical term for the dead and decomposed material found on the top soil.

- (a) Bed rock
- (b) Fossils
- (c) Humidity
- (d) Humus**

The old alluvial soil is known as .....

- (a) **Bangar**
- (b) Bhabbar
- (c) Khadar
- (d) Regur

Which one of the following statements is correct as regards to international resources ?

- (a) **Resources which are regulated by international institutions.**
- (b) Resources which lie beyond the territorial waters.
- (c) Resources which are found along the international frontier.
- (d) Resources which are not yet developed.

Which one of the following methods is ideal for controlling land degradation in coastal areas and in deserts ?

- (a) Strip cropping
- (b) Contour ploughing
- (c) **Planting of shelter belts**
- (d) Plugging of gullies

Which type of soil is suitable for the growth of cashew nut ?

- (a) Alluvial soil
- (b) Black soil
- (c) Red soil
- (d) **Red laterite soil**

Arid soils are less fertile as

- (i) it lacks humus and moisture
- (ii) it has high salt content
- (iii) it is sandy in nature
- (iv) it is rich in Iron

- (a) **(i) and (ii)**
- (b) (ii) and (iii)
- (c) (iii) and (iv)
- (d) (i) and (iii)

Ploughing along the contour lines can

- (a) accelerate the flow of water.
- (b) **decelerate the flow of water.**
- (c) accelerate the force of winds.
- (d) decelerate the force of winds.

Bad lands or ravines are found in

- (a) Chenab basin
- (b) **Chambal basin**
- (c) Ganga basin
- (d) Godavari basin

Which of the following statement(s) is true for black soil ?

- (i) It has larger proportion of clay.
- (ii) It can retain moisture for a long time.
- (iii) It develops cracks during summer which helps in aeration.
- (iv) Cotton grows best in this soil.

- (a) (i) and (ii)
- (b) (iii) and (iv)
- (c) (i) and (iv)

**(d) All of the above**

Red colour of soil is due to

- (a) it is rich in humus.
- (b) it is rich in iron compounds.**
- (c) it is derived from volcanic origin.
- (d) it is rich in potash.

The denudation of the soil cover and washing down of soil by various agents are known as .....

- (a) Weathering
- (b) Gradation
- (c) Soil erosion**
- (d) Soil conservation

The land consisting of many gullies and ravines are called .....

- (a) Gully erosion
- (b) Bed rock
- (c) V shaped valleys
- (d) Bad land**

Terrace cultivation can be used to control soil erosion in

- (a) Desert regions
- (b) Hill slopes**
- (c) Valleys
- (d) Plains

Strip cropping refers to

- (a) growing of crops in long strips.
- (b) growing of trees in long rows.
- (c) growing of strips of grass in between the crops.**
- (d) ploughing along the contour lines.

Erosion of the top soil when water flows as a sheet over large areas down the slope is called

- (a) Gully erosion
- (b) Badlands

- (c) Soil erosion
- (d) Sheet erosion**

Which one of the following soil is ideal for growing cotton?

- (a) Regur soil**
- (b) Laterite soil
- (c) Desert soil
- (d) Mountainous soil

In which of the following states is overgrazing responsible for land degradation?

- (a) Jharkhand and Orissa
- (b) Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan**
- (c) Punjab and Haryana
- (d) Kerala and Tamil Nadu

