

Commercial Geography (English Medium) - ICOM Part 2 Commercial Geography Chapter 14 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. Write down importance of rice food crops ?

Ans 1: Rice is world's most valuable cereal grain. Its worldwide production is slightly less than that of wheat and a little above that of corn. World's half population diet is rice. It is cultivated over 8 percent cultivated area of the world.

Q2. In South America, which country is prominent in rice production ?

Ans 1: Brazil is at the top in rice production in the continent of South America. Its Southeastern, warm humid tropical region is main rice producing area.

Q3. Write down world's total price production and area under rice cultivation ?

Ans 1: In the world average area under rice cultivation is 163.25 million hectares, while its production averages about 741.0 million metric tons annually.

Q4. Write down brief account of rice production in Pakistan ?

Ans 1: Pakistan is at 13th number in the world in rice production and is prominent country in Basmati rice export in international market. In the Punjab province Gujranwala, Sialkot, Narowal, Mandi Bahauddin, Lahore, Sheikhpura, Kasur and Okara are major rice producing districts.

In the Sindh Province, districts of Larkana, Dadu, Jacobabad, Shikarpur, Badin and Thatta or major rice producing areas.

In Baluchistan province, only Jafarabad and Nasirabad districts are major rice producing districts. Total rice production in Pakistan is more than 7 million metric tons.

Q5. Rice belong from which botanical family ?

Ans 1: Rice is an annual grass in the grass family, Poaceae (formerly Gramineae), Asian rice is classified as *Oryzasativa* while African rice is named as *Oryzaglaberrima*. Basically rice is plant of tropical warm humid climate.

Q6. Which regions of China ranks at the top in the cultivation and production of rice ?

Ans 1: China outranks all other nations in the world in rice production, which is about 30 percent of the world rice production. The flood plains of Yangtze - se - Kiang and see – kiang rivers and delta regions dominate in rice cultivation.

Q7. In the world, which country is at the top in rice production ?

Ans 1: China ranks at the top in rice production in the world and produces more than 28 percent rice produced in the world.

Q8. Write down varieties of rice on the basis of physical characteristics of a region ?

Ans 1: Rice plant is native of South -- East Asia. There are more than 20 varieties of rice, but mainly two varieties are cultivated in the world.

- i. Asian variety is most commonly cultivated in the world.
 - ii. African variety is cultivated only in African countries over limited area.
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Q9. China and India produce how many percent of rice crop of the world ?

Ans 1: China and India produce about 49.2 (50%) percent rice crop of the world.

Q10. In rice's total production in the world, how much is obtained from irrigated lands.

Ans 1: Although rice is a tropical crop, but about 35 percent production is obtained from irrigated regions of the world.
