

## Commercial Geography (English Medium) - ICOM Part 2 Commercial Geography Chapter 17 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. Write down best climatic conditions for vegetative growth of the tea plant ?

**Ans 1:** Tea plant does best in humid and warm climate of tropics and subtropics. Tea plantation is successfully practices up to seven thousand feet above sea level. Tea plant requires from 13 to 24 centi-degree grades temperature for best growth. Food is favorable for tea plant. Dry calamitic and temperature below 10 centi-degree grades does not suit for tea plant.

Tea plant requires 100-200 inches will-distributed annual rainfall.

Q2. Who introduced tea cultivation in Indonesia ?

**Ans 1:** Tea was introduced in Indonesia by Dutch people in 1826 in the Island of Java.

Q3. Write down major tea exporting countries of the world ?

**Ans 1:** All tea producing countries are located in the tropical and Monsoon region. While tea importing countries are in the temperate and cold region. India, China, Japan, Kenya, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Turkey are major tea exporting countries in the world. United Kingdom, U.S.A, and Russian Federation are main tea importing nations.

Q4. Write down native habitat of Tea plant ?

**Ans 1:** Tea plant was originated from China. Its use was discovered by emperor Shenmong of China about 273 B.C. But Chinese written record goes back unto Confucius→ 551-749 B.C.

Q5. Write down difference between Green tea and Black Tea ?

**Ans 1:** All the main types of tea are prepared from the leaves of the same tree. Only preparation determine the quality and brand of the tea.

I. Green tea is made by steaming the leaves in large vats which prevent the leaves from changing colour. The leaves then crushed in machines and dried.

II. Black tea is prepared by withering, rolling, fermentation and firing the leaves. In this process leaves are dried at 70°c-75°c temperature and crushing is done. After this grading and packing is done.

Q6. Write down tea production in the world and which continent dominate in the production ?

**Ans 1:** Today tea production is more than 5 million metric tons. The continent of Asia is at at the top in tea production, while Africa is at second rank in tea cultivation.

Q7. Describe soil and physical features suitable for tea plant cultivation ?

**Ans 1:** Tea plant requires well drained soil with plentiful quantity of organic matter from soil. Relatively high sloping grounds are prepared for tea cultivation. Sloping well-drained surface is required for tea plant because tea plants are sensitive to stagnation of water.

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Q8. How many tea plucking are done in one year ?

**Ans 1:** Number of tea plucking depends upon the climate of the region, where tea plants are grown. In tropical warm-humid region 15-20 plucking are done in one year. While country like Japan where rainfall and temperature conditions are moderate only 3 to 4 plucking are done in a year.

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Q9. Write down tea producing region in India ?

**Ans 1:** India outrank all countries in tea production. India produce about 24 percent total world's tea production. In North-Eastern India Brahmaputra valley is home of Indian tea production. This Assam region produces 40-50 percent tea of India. West Bengal is the second largest tea producing region in India. Besides these regions Western Ghates, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka are important tea producing regions. India exports world's 25 percent tea in the international market.

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Q10. Write down brief history of Tea cultivation in the world ?

**Ans 1:** Tea plant is native of China, where its use was discovered as back as 2732 B.C. Dutch began its cultivation in Java (Indonesia), and in 1832 a British, Robert Bruce located wild tea plants in Assam, but it was Lord William Bentick, who took step in 1836 to cultivate tea on a large scale.

Tea cultivation was later introduced in African countries and European took it to western hemisphere, Today 45 continents grow tea in the world.

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