

Commercial Geography (English Medium) - ICOM Part 2 Commercial Geography Chapter 20 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. For producing edible oils, which plants and crops are being cultivated ?

Ans 1: Edible oil is produced from seeds and pulp of different crops and tree fruits. For this purpose, seventeen crops and trees are cultivated in the world. Soybean, rapeseed (canola), sunflower, groundnut, corn, cotton seed, linseed, sesame, olive oil, oil palm, almond, coconut are some important oil seed crops cultivated in the world.

Q2. Write down major sunflower producing countries of the world ?

Ans 1: Today, 60 nations of the world cultivate sunflower in the world. Russian Federation, U.S.A, Ukraine, France, China, India, South Africa, Romania, Spain, Turkey and Italy are major sunflower producing countries of the world.

Q3. Write down climatic conditions required for palm oil cultivation also name important palm oil producing countries of the world ?

Ans 1: Palm oil is plant of the west Africa. Today it is being planted in warm humid climate of the equatorial and sub-tropical monsoon region. Its plant was introduced in Malaysia in 1870 A.D. Today 42 countries of the world are producing palm oil in the world. Today Malaysia outranks all countries of world in production and export of palm oil. Besides Indonesia, Nigeria, Colombia, Thailand, Papua, New Guinea and Cote-d'Ivoire are other important countries in palm oil production.

Q4. In the edible oilseed crops, write down importance of rape seed (canola) and name some important canola producing countries of the world ?

Ans 1: In the world rapeseed cultivation has prominent position. Today 53 countries of the world cultivate rapeseed crop. But only 18 countries produce large quantities of rape seed. Besides using as edible oil it is used as an illuminant, making soap, rubber substitute, and for tempering steel plates and for lubricating machinery. China, India, Canada, France, Germany, U.K, Poland, Czech Republic, Poland, U.S.A, and Pakistan are major rapeseed producing countries, China leads in rapeseed cultivation in the world.

Q5. Write down top ranking country in oilseed production in the world ?

Ans 1: Today, in the world, United States of America is country, which produces largest amount of oilseed crops in the world.

Q6. Write down important countries, which export and produce edible oil seed in the world ?

Ans 1: Today, 174 countries of the world produce vegetable oil seeds. Out of these countries large quantities of oil seeds are produced by the following countries. They are China, United States, Malaysia, Indonesia, Brazil, India, Argentina, Canada, Nigeria, France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Russian Federation, Ukraine, Australia, Thailand, Pakistan and Turkey etc

Q7. Describe importance of edible oil in human diet ?

Ans 1: Balance diet is need of every human beings. While fats supply energy for human body. In the early stages of history, fats need was met by animal fat. Today, due to increasing population animal fat is not enough for all population. Therefore fat demand is fulfilled by edible oil resources. Edible oil supply fat but also they possesses proteins, vitamins and minerals.

Edible oils are used for manufacturing margarine and other products. Oils are also used for manufacturing soaps, insecticides, perfumes, medicines, and cosmetics etc.

Q8. Which country produces and exports largest quantity of oilseeds or edible oil in the world ?

Ans 1: In the world, United States of America is the country, which ranks at the top in edible oil export.

Q9. Write down the importance of soybean among edible oils in the world ?

Ans 1: Indigenous to China, where it has been grown for more than 500 years, the soybean has supreme importance as a food plant. Today soybean ranks second after palm oil. Its seeds contain 22 percent best oil and 40 percent protein. Today 83 countries of the world, cultivate soybean crop. More than 91 million hectare area is under soybean crop, while its annual production in the world is 319.78 million metric tons. U.S.A with 106.9 million tons production ranks first in the world. U.S.A and Brazil are big exporters of soybean. Besides, China, Argentina, India, Paraguay, Canada, Indonesia, Bolivia, Uruguay, Vietnam, Thailand and South Africa are major soybean producing countries.

Q10. Write down countries where olive plantation has been done in the world ?

Ans 1: Olive is Mediterranean climatic region plant. It required dry hot climate in summer and moderate and little humid climate in winter. Olive oil is being used in edible oil from thousand years. It is used as medicine, making bath soap and in manufacturing textile.

Today, its cultivation plantation is at 85 million hectares area, while its annual production is 15.5 million metric tons. Spain is main producer of olive oil, while Italy, Greece, Turkey, Egypt, Algeria, Lebanon, Portugal are main olive oil producing countries.