

Commercial Geography (English Medium) - ICOM Part 2 Commercial Geography Chapter 24 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. What do you know about coal reserves of India ?

Ans 1: India possesses valuable amount of coal reserves in the world and ranks fifth in the world. While in coal production it ranks fourth in the world. India manufacture 75 percent its electricity from coal.

Q2. Write down which country first of all start smelting Iron with the help of coal ?

Ans 1: Smelting Iron with the help of rock coal was started from United Kingdom.

Q3. Which country possesses largest coal reserves in the world ?

Ans 1: World's 26.6 percent coal reserves are in the United States of America. Out of total coal reserves - 891.531 billion metric tons – U.S.A possesses 237.30 billion metric tons coal reserves.

Q4. Write down annual production of coal in the world ?

Ans 1: According to 2015 production figures, total production of coal in the world was 8,164.9 million metric tons.

Q5. Which country in the world possesses maximum sources of energy ?

Ans 1: United states of America possesses largest reserves of coal in the world U.S.A have more than 237,500 million metric coal reserves.

Q6. Which country of the world, first of all started use of coal as energy resources ?

Ans 1: Although authentic records are unavailable, historian believe coal was first used commercially in China. Reports indicate that the Fu-Shun mine in northeaster. China provided coal for smelting copper and for casting coins around 1000 B.C.

Q7. Write down India's region with valuable amount of coal ?

Ans 1: West Bengal, Bihar, Assam, Orissa & Madhya Pradesh possesses 98% Indian Coal reserves, While 99% coal production comes from these regions.

Q8. Write down annual trade of coal in the international market and name major coal exporting countries of the world ?

Ans 1: During 2015 more than 1061.44 million metric tons coal was sold in the international market. Amount of coal sold was only 13 percent of the total coal produced in world Australia, South Africa, United States of America, Russian Federation, Indonesia, Canada, Colombia and Kazakhstan are major coal exporting countries in the world.

Q9. Coal is divided into how many types according their quality (carbon content) ?

Ans 1: Coal is a carbonaceous sedimentary rock. Therefore, the varying amount of carbon within a rock species can be considered as the basis for classification of coal. Coal can be broadly classified in to four main categories. These are as followings:

- i. Anthracite coal -- 92 - 95 % Carbon Content
- ii. Bituminous coal -- 60 - 80 % Carbon Content
- iii. Lignite coal -- 45 - 65 % Carbon Content
- iv. Peat coal -- upto 30% N Carbon Content

Q10. Which country is at the top in coal reserves and production in the continent of Europe ?

Ans 1: In the continent of Europe Germany outranks all countries in coal production and reserves of coal.
