

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

Q1. Coal is used for manufacturing many products, write down modern uses of coal in the world ?

**Ans 1:** Coal is indispensable source of energy and it is called " mother of modern industry. "

Coal is largely used to generate thermal electricity. Steel industry uses coal by first heating it and converting it into coke. Today fuel companies convert coal into transportable gas or liquid fuel. Besides, Coal is major source of fuel, power, coal provides us chemical raw material for chemical industry, which include coal tar, benzole, sulphate of ammonia etc. More than 5000 articles are being manufactured by using coal as raw material.

Q2. Write down major coal reserves areas of China ?

**Ans 1:** Major coal reserves of China lies in northern region of Quinling Mountains and Huai River valley – Nearly 90 percent coal reserves are in this region.

Q3. Estimates of world's coal reserves are more than 891.531 billion metric tons. These reserves are enough for 110 year -- write down which countries possesses reasonable amounts of coal reserves ?

**Ans 1:** Although 70 countries of the world possesses valuable amounts of coal reserves but world's 57% coal reserves are possessed by U.S.A (26.6%), Russian Federation (17.6%), and China (12.8%). Besides Australia, India, Germany, South Africa and Pakistan possesses reasonable amounts of coal services.

Q4. Write down amount of coal reserves of Pakistan and these coal reserves are in which province ?

**Ans 1:** Pakistan possesses more than 186 billion coal reserves. While Sindh province possesses Thar coal reserves amounting 175 billion metric tons

Q5. Which country of the world ranks first in coal production and write down its annual production ?

**Ans 1:** China, with 3,874 million metric tons annual production of coal ranks first in the world. In coal reserves China ranks third in the world, with 12.8% coal reserves.

Q6. 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.

Q7. 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.

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Q8. Write down importance of coal of China ?

**Ans 1:** Energy is crying need of the modern era. China has limited resources of petroleum and natural gas. While it has valuable resources of coal. China meets 70 percent its energy needs with the help of coal. China uses 47.5% coal production of the world and 48% electricity is produced with the help of coal.

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Q9. 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.

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Q10. Write down latitudinal extent of coal reserves in the world ?

**Ans 1:** In the world, most of the coal reserves are found in the northern hemisphere between latitude - 30°N to 50°N.

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