

## Commercial Geography (English Medium) - ICOM Part 2 Commercial Geography Chapter 25 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. Besides, as energy use, which other products are manufactured from petroleum ?

**Ans 1:** Petroleum is very valuable mineral resources of the world. Besides its energy use, more than 5000 products are being manufactured from petroleum in the world. Among these synthetic rubber, soap, greece, paraffin, plastic, nylon, screen and PVC products have changed commercial value of the petroleum.

Q2. Write down annual and daily production of petroleum in the world ?

**Ans 1:** In 2015, annual oil production of the world was 33,459.55 million barrels while daily petroleum production was 91.670 million barrels.

Q3. In the world, which country ranks at the top in petroleum reserves and production ?

**Ans 1:** Venezuela ranks at the top in oil reserves but in petroleum production United States of America ranks first with 4,636.96 million barrels annually.

Q4. In 1900, how many countries were producing petroleum and today they are how many ?

**Ans 1:** In 1900, only six countries - Romania, Poland, Germany, Canada and Japan - were producing petroleum but today 112 countries in the world are producing mineral oil.

Q5. In the continent of Africa, which countries are important in petroleum production ?

**Ans 1:** Although there are 53 countries in Africa, but only a few countries possess valuable amount of petroleum reserves. In Africa, Nigeria, Algeria, Libya and Angola are countries, which possess valuable quantities of petroleum and produce oil in large quantities.

Q6. Write down most important petroleum reserves region of the world ?

**Ans 1:** World's most important petroleum reserves region is Persian Gulf region -- countries surrounding Persian Gulf. In this region estimated oil reserves are 802.96 billion barrels. Reserve of Middle East region are more than 47.3 percent of the world. This oil region is spread over 22 lakh sq Km. Until, recent decade only 3.40 lakh sq Km area has been explored.

Q7. Write down three important oil producing countries in the Western Europe ?

**Ans 1:** In the Western Europe, United Kingdom, Norway and Denmark are three main oil producing countries and they possess valuable amounts of petroleum reserves.

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Q8. In the world, in how many broad classes crude petroleum exists ?

**Ans 1:** Petroleum exist in following classes;

- i. Paraffin base oil: Contains high proportion of the lighter hydrocarbons such as methane -- is commercially the most important.
- ii. Asphalt base oil: It comprises mainly of the heavier hydrocarbons and is of less commercial significance.
- iii. Mixed base oil: It is an intermediate group with mixed properties of the lighter and heavier grades of oil.

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Q9. Write down important petroleum producing countries in the North American continent ?

**Ans 1:** In the North American continent, Canada, U.S.A, and Mexico are important oil producing countries in this region, U.S.A is at the top in oil production consumption. U.S.A is not self-sufficient in oil and imports large quantity petroleum from other countries.

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Q10. Write down main petroleum reserves in the Saudi Arabia ?

**Ans 1:** In Saudi Arabia, Ghawar, Dammam, Abqiaq, An.Dar are important oil fields.

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