

**CLASS - 10**

**SOCIAL SCIENCE**

**Contemporary India-II**

**CH-2 : Forest and  
Wildlife Resources**

**Part - 3**

**Exercise**

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## Multiple choice questions.

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(i) Which of the following conservation strategies do not directly involve community participation?

- A Joint forest management
- B Beej Bachao Andolan
- C Chipko Movement
- D Demarcation of Wildlife sanctuaries



## 2 | Match the following.

Reserved forests

Other forests and wastelands belonging to both government and private individuals and communities.

Protected forests

Forests are regarded as most valuable as far as the conservation of forest and wildlife resources.

Unclassed forests

Forest lands are protected from any further depletion.



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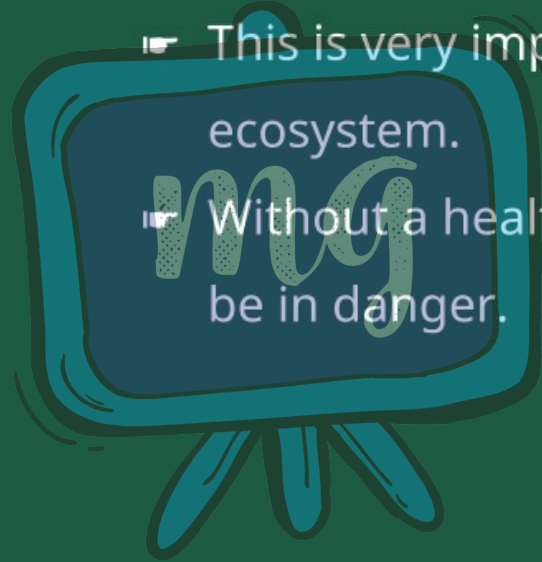
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**Answer :**

- ▣ The diversity of animals and plants found in any area is called the biodiversity of that area.
- ▣ Biodiversity signifies variety in wildlife and agricultural crops.
- ▣ Biodiversity is extremely important for human life.



- It fulfills various needs of humans.
- This is very important to maintain any ecosystem.
- Without a healthy ecosystem, human life can be in danger.





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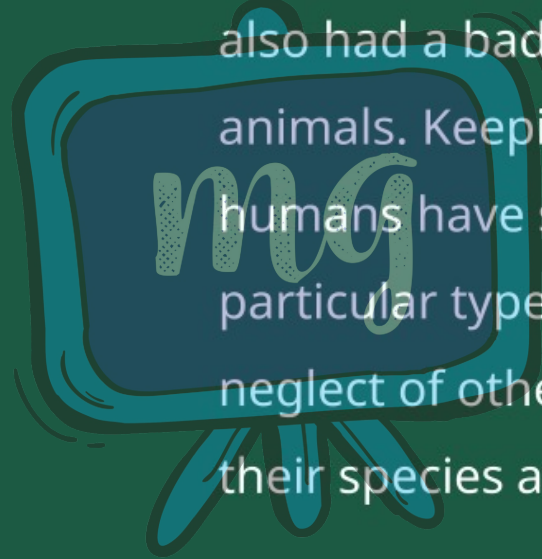
**Answer :**

1. Man has destroyed forests for his housing, expansion of agriculture and establishment of industries.

As a result, the habitats of many wild animals have been destroyed and they have become extinct or are becoming extinct.



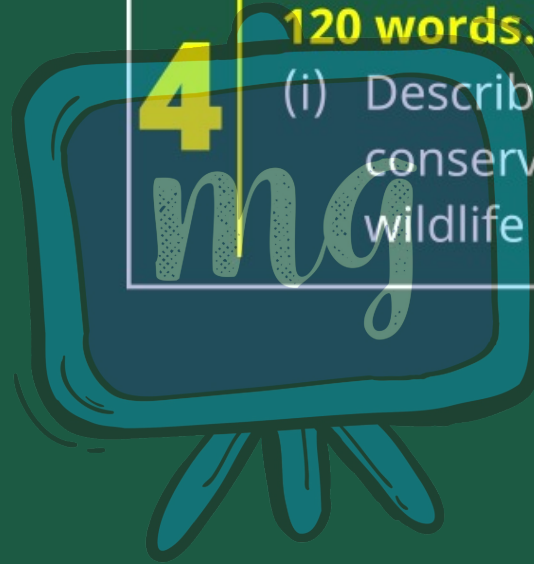
2. Specialization of agriculture by humans has also had a bad effect on plants and wild animals. Keeping in mind his own profit, humans have started focusing on growing a particular type of crop or tree. This has led to neglect of other trees and plants, due to which their species are getting extinct.





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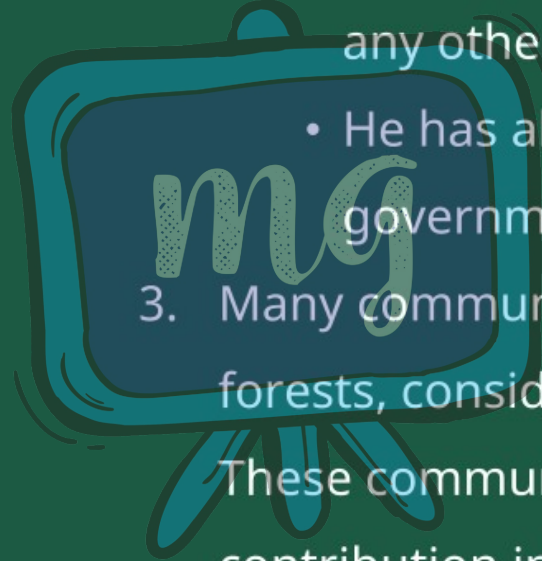
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**Answer :**

- Some local communities in India have a deep connection with forests.
- This is their residence as well as their source of livelihood.



- Hence, they are fighting hard for forests to protect their habitat and livelihood.
- Some examples in this regard are given below:
  1. Villagers in Rajasthan's Sariska Tiger Reserve have fought against mining.
  2. Villagers of five villages in Alwar district of Rajasthan have declared **1200 hectares** of forest area as **Bhairondev Dakav 'Sonchuri'**.
    - They have made their own rules for protection.



- According to them, hunting and causing any other harm to wild life is prohibited.
  - He has also refused to take the government's help in this work.
3. Many communities worship certain trees or forests, considering them sacred. These communities also have an important contribution in the conservation of forests.



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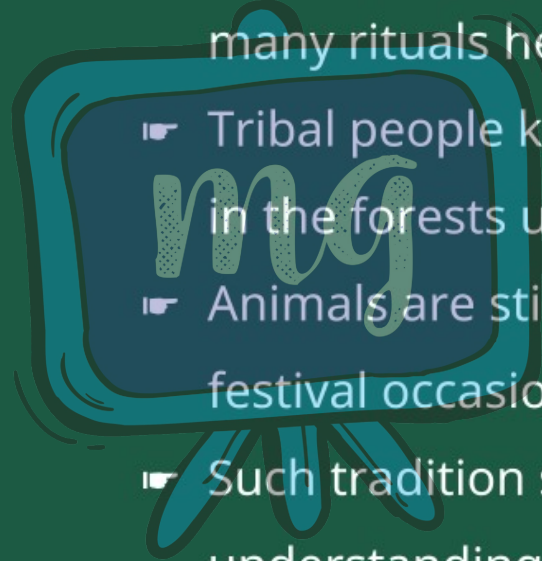
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**Answer :**

- ▣ In India, customs and traditions have played a great role in forest and wildlife conservation.
- ▣ Since ancient times people understood the importance of trees for our lives.
- ▣ There has been an old tradition of worshipping nature in many religions and tribal communities.



- ▣ Peepal and Mango trees are worshipped in many rituals here.
- ▣ Tribal people keep the groves of sacred trees in the forests untouched by human activities.
- ▣ Animals are still worshipped in villages on festival occasions.
- ▣ Such tradition shows respect and understanding of the importance of animals.





- In the Bishnoi society of Rajasthan, some animals are an integral part of the community (like black deer (chinkara), nilgai, peacock). No one harms them.
- This also makes the work of the forest department easier.

