

## CHAPTER-1 | Resources And Development

QUIZ  
PART-04

1. What percentage of India's land area is covered by plains?

- A. 30% B. 27%  
C. 43% D. 33% (C)

**Explanation:** Plains cover about 43% of India's total land area, supporting agriculture and industrial development.

2. Which landform provides rich reserves of minerals and forests?

- A. Plains B. Mountains  
C. Plateaus D. Coastal regions (C)

**Explanation:** Plateaus contain rich reserves of minerals, fossil fuels, and forests.

3. What is meant by "Net Sown Area"?

- A. Land sown more than once in a year  
B. Land never used for agriculture  
C. Land used only for grazing  
D. Land sown at least once in a year (D)

**Explanation:** Net Sown Area is land that is cultivated at least once during a year.

4. What percentage of forest cover is recommended by the National Forest Policy?

- A. 23%  
B. 33%  
C. 43%  
D. 53% (B)

**Explanation:** The National Forest Policy recommends 33% of total land area under forest cover.

5. Which of the following is a cause of land degradation in Punjab, Haryana, and Western Uttar Pradesh?

- A. Mining  
B. Over-irrigation  
C. Deforestation  
D. Overgrazing (B)

**Explanation:** Over-irrigation leads to waterlogging and salinity, degrading land in these states.

6. What is the main reason for land degradation in Gujarat and Rajasthan?

- A. Mining B. Overgrazing  
C. Urbanization D. Deforestation (B)

**Explanation:** Overgrazing is a major cause of land degradation in Gujarat and Rajasthan.

7. Which of the following does NOT help in checking land degradation?

- A. Afforestation  
B. Control on overgrazing  
C. Creating shelter belts  
D. Deforestation (D)

**Explanation:** Deforestation contributes to land degradation rather than preventing it.

8. What is the recommended measure to stabilize sand dunes in arid areas?

- A. Mining control  
B. Shelter belts  
C. Growing thorny bushes  
D. Industrial development (C)

**Explanation:** Thorny bushes are grown to stabilize sand dunes in desert and arid areas.

9. What determines the pattern of land use in a region?

- A. Language and culture  
B. Physical and human factors  
C. Only soil fertility  
D. Government policies only (B)

**Explanation:** Land use depends on physical factors like topography and human factors like population density.

10. Which category includes land uncultivated for more than 5 years?

- A. Current fallow  
B. Net sown area  
C. Culturable wasteland  
D. Non-agricultural use (C)

**Explanation:** Culturable wasteland refers to land uncultivated for more than five years but potentially usable.