

CHAPTER-2 | Forest And Wildlife Resources

QUIZ
PART-01

1. What is meant by biodiversity?

- A. Distribution of forests
- B. Presence of rivers and mountains
- C. Variety of all living organisms and their interactions
- D. Migration of birds and animals (C)

Explanation: Biodiversity refers to the variety of all living things and their interactions within ecosystems.

2. What role do forests play in the ecological system?

- A. Secondary producers
- B. Only wildlife habitats
- C. Primary producers
- D. Natural water purifiers (C)

Explanation: Forests are considered primary producers as they form the base of the ecological system, supporting all other life forms.

3. What is the main reason for the decline in flora and fauna in India?

- A. Climate change
- B. Lack of technology
- C. Human insensitivity
- D. Earthquakes (C)

Explanation: The decline is largely due to human insensitivity and lack of concern for conservation.

4. What was a significant outcome of the Wildlife Protection Act of 1972?

- A. Increase in deforestation
- B. Legal protection to wildlife habitats
- C. End of poaching
- D. Decline in biodiversity (B)

Explanation: The act gave legal protection to various species and habitats, promoting wildlife conservation.

5. Which species was added to the protected list for the first time in 1991?

- A. Butterflies
- B. Crocodiles
- C. Plants
- D. Tigers (C)

Explanation: In 1991, for the first time, six plant species were added to the list of protected species.

6. Which of the following is NOT a threat to the tiger population?

- A. Shrinking habitat
- B. Trade of tiger skins
- C. Use of tiger bones in medicines
- D. Project Tiger (D)

Explanation: Project Tiger is a conservation effort, not a threat.

7. What was the main reason behind launching Project Tiger in 1973?

- A. Reduce forest area
- B. Increase tourism
- C. Protect a key species in the food-web
- D. Promote mining (C)

Explanation: The tiger is a key species in the food-web, and its declining numbers led to the launch of Project Tiger.

8. Why are India and Nepal prime targets for tiger poaching?

- A. Lack of awareness
- B. They have large forests
- C. They host about two-thirds of the tiger population
- D. They allow legal hunting (C)

Explanation: India and Nepal are home to nearly two-thirds of the global tiger population, making them hotspots for poaching.

9. Which of the following animals has been given full or partial legal protection in India?

- A. Polar Bear
- B. Kangaroo
- C. Great Indian Bustard
- D. African Elephant (C)

Explanation: The Great Indian Bustard is among the species granted full or partial legal protection.

10. Which of these tiger reserves is located in Kerala?

- A. Manas
- B. Sariska
- C. Bandhavgarh
- D. Periyar (D)

Explanation: Periyar Tiger Reserve in Kerala is one of the key reserves under Project Tiger.