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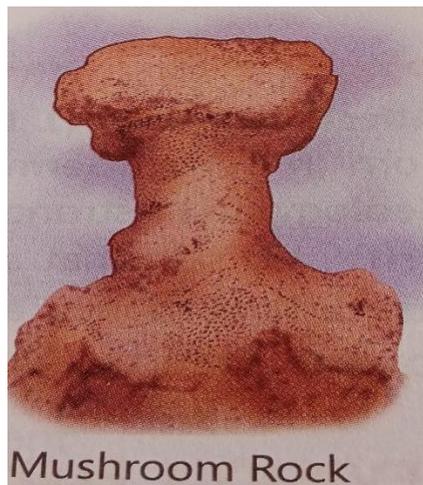
Ch3-Our Changing Earth(Geography)

Work of ice

The big and small rock pieces, silt and sand get deposited due to the slow movement of the glaciers. These deposits are called '**glacial moraines**'.

Work of wind

Wind action can best be Seen in the desert areas. Features like sand dunes and mushroom rocks are formed due to the wind action. It is the wind which acts as an agent of erosion and deposition which forms these features. Strong winds erode at the base of rocks faster than the top. Gradually the base gets eroded from all sides leaving a narrower base as compared to the top. The shape resembles a mushroom and such rocks are called **mushroom rocks**. These are commonly found in the Sahara

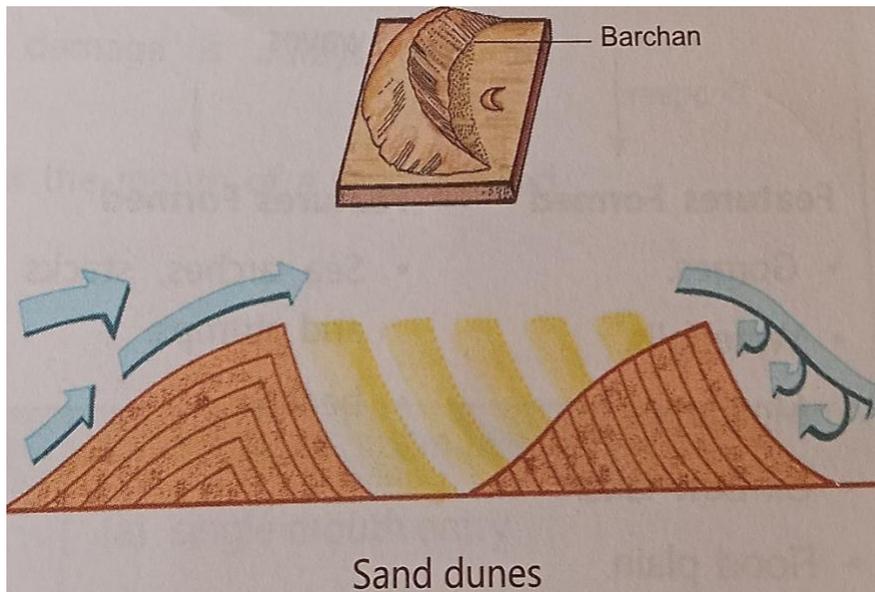


Desert.

As the wind blows with great velocity, it carries sand particles with it. When its speed decreases, it drops and deposits the sand in low hill like structures called '**sand dunes**'. Sand dunes are hills of sand most commonly found in deserts. A crescent shaped sand dune is called '**barchan**'.

Winds carry the fine dust particles to far areas and deposit them in humid regions over a large area as '**loess**'

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