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Geography

Natural vegetation and wildlife

Question 1.

What is the name given to the process involved in rain formation?

Answer.

The process involved in the formation of rain is called “water cycle”.

Question 2.

Name some regions of water scarcity in the world.

Answer.

Africa, West Asia, South Asia, parts of western USA, northwest Mexico, parts of South America and Australia face water scarcity.

Question 3.

Name a method to save surface run-off.

Answer.

Water harvesting is a method to save surface run-off.

Question 4.

How is a bird like vulture important for the ecosystem?

Answer.

A vulture feeds on dead livestock and so it cleanses the environment.

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Question 5.

What is the distinguishing feature between evergreen and deciduous forests?

Answer.

Evergreen forests never shed their leaves whereas deciduous forests shed their leaves once a year.

Question 6.

What is the Vanamahotsava?

Answer.

The social programme of planting trees, organised at community level is called vanamahotsava.

Question 7.

How is land being degraded? Suggest methods to conserve land resource.

Answer.

The ever-growing population has increased demand for living space, due to which forests are being destroyed, thus causing land degradation. The rate of degradation of land resources can be checked by promoting afforestation, land reclamation, regulated use of chemical pesticide and fertilisers and checking overgrazing.

Question 8.

What is weathering?

Answer.

Weathering refers to the breaking up and decay of exposed rocks. This breaking up and decay is caused by temperature fluctuations between too high and too low, frost action, plants, animals and even human activity. Weathering is the major process involved in the formation of soil. It takes millions of years to form soil by this process.

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