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IMPORTANT QUESTION

.4. Mentionn any four characteristics of the thorny forests water. Answer:

- This type of vegetation is found in regions with less than 70 cm of rainfall.
- This type of vegetation is found in the north-western part of the country including the semi-arid areas of Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana.
- Acacias, palms, euphorbias and cacti are the main plant species.
- Trees are scattered, and have long roots penetrating deep into the soil in order to get moisture.
- The stems are succulent to conserve
- Leaves are mostly thick, and small to minimise evaporation. .

Question 5.

Mention any four characteristics of the mangrove tidal forests.[CBSE2015] Answer:

- The mangrove tidal forests are found in the areas of coasts influenced by tides. Mud and silt get accumulated on such coasts.
- Dense mangroves are the common varieties with roots of the plants submerged under water.
- The deltas of the Ganga, the , Mahanadi, the Krishna, the Godavari and the Kaveri are covered by such vegetation.
- In the Ganga-Brahamputra delta, the sundari trees are found, which provide a durable hard timber. Palm, coconut, keora, agar also grow in some parts of the delta.