

## EXERCISE

### GENERAL TERMS

1. **Desert :** It is an arid region experiencing high or low temperatures and with scarce plant growth.
2. **Oasis :** A place in the desert, where the underground water comes up as a spring.
3. **Gompas :** A Buddhist monastery in Ladakh.
4. **Nomads:** Groups of tribals who move from one place to another in search of food and water.
5. **Rain-shadow :** An area on the leeward side with insignificant rainfall.

### Q.1 STATE TRUE OR FALSE

1. The Nile and the Niger rivers flow through the Sahara desert.
2. Ladakh is located in the eastern part of Jammu and Kashmir.
3. The surface of the Sahara desert region is completely under the sand and sand-dunes.
4. Discovery of oil has changed the life of people in Ladakh.
5. The Manali-Leh highway crosses a number of mountain passes.

### Q.2 FILL IN THE BLANKS

1. The highest temperature has been recorded at ..... in the Sahara desert.
2. The Tibetan antelope is hunted for its wool, called .....
3. The wood of the ..... tree is used for making cricket bats.
4. The main tributary of the Indus river in Ladakh is .....
5. The tribals like the Tuaregs and the ..... wear heavy robes to seek protection from excessive heat.

### Q.3 DISTINGUISH BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING

1. Desert and Oasis
2. Cold desert and Hot desert.
3. Cattle rearing in the Sahara and the Ladakh regions.
4. Wildlife of the Sahara and Ladakh regions.

### Q.4 CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER

- Q.1** Which one of the following is not in the Sahara desert?

(A) Lake Victoria (B) Lake Malawi  
(C) Lake Chad (D) None

- Q.2** The farmers in Egypt are popularly called

(A) Fellahins (B) Bedouins  
(C) Malahins (D) None

- Q.3** Which of the following mountain passes is not in Ladakh.

(A) Zoji Lal (B) Bomdi La  
(C) Karakoram pass (D) None

- Q.4** Which country is not included in the Sahara desert?

(A) Libya (B) Mali  
(C) Ghana (D) None

- Q.5** Which of the following mountain peaks is not in the Ladakh region?

(A) Dhaulagiri  
(B) Mt. Godwin Austin  
(C) Gasherbrum  
(D) None

- Q.6** Which one of the following is not produced in Ladakh?

(A) Shahtoosh (B) Mohair  
(C) Pashmina (D) None

### Q.5 GIVE REASONS FOR THE FOLLOWING

1. Plants in the Sahara desert have long roots.

2. Ladakh remains dry even in the monsoon season.
3. Tourism is fast growing in the Ladakh region.
4. The tribals wear heavy robes in the Sahara desert.

1. Describe the location of the Sahara desert in Africa and Ladakh region in India.
2. What are the main economic activities in the Ladakh region?
3. Why are deserts sparsely populated?
4. Compare the environmental conditions between the Sahara and Ladakh regions.
5. What efforts should be made to provide settled life in the Sahara and Ladakh regions?
6. How has the discovery of minerals changed the outlook in the Sahara desert?

<b>Q.6</b> ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS
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