



Environment & Natural Resources

Grade: 10th

RULES OF THE CLASS

- Be on time
- Enter the class with your name and CPR number
- Respect all participants
- Do not create any disturbance
- Raise your hands for questions (the teacher will respond when the time is suitable)
- Pay attention to the teacher
- Follow the time table







Objectives:



By the end of the lesson, the students will be able to describe:

- 1. Importance of agriculture
- 2. Description of 4 sub-sectors of agriculture
- 3. Mechanization
- 4. Main crops and fruits of Pakistan



Agriculture

- Pakistan is an agricultural country.
- Two thirds of total population of the country directly or indirectly depends on agriculture.
- About 60% of total export earnings come from agriculture based commodities.
- Agriculture is divided into the following 4 sub-sectors:
- 1. Crops
- 2. Live stock
- 3. Fisheries
- 1 Forestry









Production Trends in Main Crops:

The crops grown in Pakistan are divided into two groups:

1) Kharif crops:

These crops include rice, sugar cane, cotton, maize, bajra and jower. Their seasons are:

- Sowing season: April, May, June
- Harvesting season: October, November, December

2) Rabi crops:

These crops include wheat, gram, tobacco, barely and mustard. Their seasons are:

- Sowing season: October, November, December
- Harvesting season: April, May, June



Crops:

1) Rice (Kharif Crop):

It is an important food and a commercial crop. One third of its production is exported to earn foreign exchange.

Rice needs lot of water for growth. The seed is sown in small area to prepare sapling, which grows into the crop. Throughout its growing period, water must be remained standing in the field. The best variety of rice is the Basmati kind.

1) Cotton (Kharif Crop):

It is an important non-food crop. It is called silver fibre of Pakistan. It provides raw material for the local textile industry. It is very sensitive to weather variation and attack of pests.

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3) Sugar cane (Kharif Crop):

It is an industrial crop of Pakistan. In recent years, this crop has made the country almost self-sufficient in sugar.

4) Wheat (Rabi Crop):

It is the single largest grain crop of the country. It provides the staple food to people. Every Pakistani use wheat product items daily.

The annual production of wheat is more than 18 thousand million tonnes.

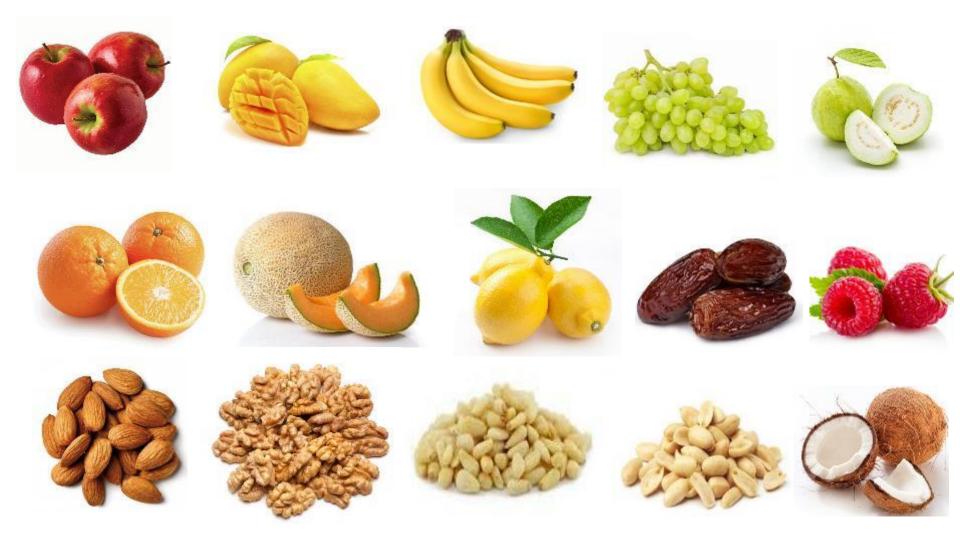
Fruits of Pakistan:

- Our country is famous for producing fresh and dry fruits.
- The most important fresh fruits are:

Apples, Mangoes, Bananas, Grapes, Guava, Oranges, Melon, Lemons, Dates and Raspberry.

The dry fruits are:

Almonds, walnut, pine, nuts, peanuts and coconut.



Mechanization:

It means adoption of modern farming methods, in agriculture for increasing productivity. It includes the use of new techniques and

- 1) implements better quality seeds,
- 2) fertilizer
- 3) and plant protection etc.

Mechanization of agriculture sector is necessary. It can increase productivity and decrease harvest losses. It includes the following steps:

1) <u>Tractors and different implements:</u>

Use of tractor and other different implants for ploughing and harvesting are commonly used by the farmers. Agriculture Development Bank of Pakistan provides loans for the purchase of tractors.

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2) Tube Wells:

Pakistan has a vast irrigation system. Due to shortage of rainfall, there is acute problem of water for irrigation. Tube wells are commonly used in all over the Pakistan.

3) Plant Protection:

It is an important factor for the yield of the crops. Government and private sector provide facilities such as pest scouting, advisory services and aerial spray.

4) Agricultural Credit:

It means to provide financial resources to the farmers. It facilitates the former community to purchase seed fertilizer, pesticide and tractors etc.







ACTIVITY 1 FIB

- 1) Wheat is single _____ crop of Pakistan.
- 2) Annual production of wheat is _____ million tonnes.
- 3) _____ is commercial crop.
- 4) The seed of rice is sown to grown _____.

ACTIVITY 2Answer the following questions:

- Q1) Which crop is the staple food?
- Q2) Which crop is the commercial crop?
- Q3) Which crop is the silver fibre of Pakistan?
- **Q4)** Which crop is the industrial crop?
- Q5) Define mechanization.
- **A:** It is the adoption of modern farming methods in agriculture to increase crop productions.
- **Q6)** What is the sowing season of Kharif crops?

PLENARY: T/F

- 1) About 40% of total export earnings of Pakistan come from agriculture. T/F
- 2) Pakistan is not an agricultural country. **T/F**
- 3) Rice, sugar cane and cotton are Kharif crops. T/F
- 4) Wheat, gram and barley are **NOT** Rabi crops. **T/F**
- 5) Wheat provides the staple food to people. **T/F**
- 6) Annual production of wheat is 18,000 million tonnes in Pakistan. T/F
- 7) One third of production of rice is not exported. **T/F**
- 8) Rice crop does not need plenty of water for growth. T/F



HOMEWORK

Q1) Explain the production trends of the principal crops of

Pakistan.

Q2) Explain the mechanization in agriculture sector of Pakistan.



CLASS IS OVER!



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