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Exercises

1. Answer the following questions.

(i) What is meant by the term 'industry'?

The term 'industry' refers to an economic activity that is concerned with the production of goods (e.g., iron and steel industry), extraction of minerals (e.g., coal mining industry) or provision of services (e.g., tourism industry).

(ii) What are the main factors which influence the location of an industry?

Answer

Factors influencing the location of an industry:

→ Availability of raw material

→ Availability of land

→ Adequate supply of water

→ Adequate supply of labour

→ Access to power

→ Amount of capital

→ Access to transport

→Presence of market

(iii) Which industry is often referred to as the backbone of modern industry and why?

Answer

Iron and steel industry is often referred to as the backbone of the modern industry because almost everything is either made from iron or steel or has been made using tools and machineries of these metals. There are plenty of examples like -ships, trains, vehicles; all are made largely of steel. Materials of our day-to-day use starting safety pin to our building in which we live, are made from steel. Without the use of iron no industry can run.

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(iv) Why cotton textile industry rapidly expanded in Mumbai?

Answer

Cotton textile rapidly expanded in Mumbai because its warm, moist climate, facility of port for importing of machinery and above all the easy availability of skilled labour.

(v) What are the similarities between information technology industry in Bangalore and California?

Answer

Similarities between information technology industry in Bangalore and California:

→ Presence of high quality educational institutions, and advanced scientific and technological centres

→ Pleasant climate and clean environment.

→ Presence of good quality, skilled workforce.

→ Access to markets.

→ Well-developed and well-connected.

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2. Tick the correct answer.

(i) Silicon Valley is located in

(a) Bangalore

(b) California

(c) Ahmedabad

► (b) California

(ii) Which one of the following industries is known as sunrise industry?

(a) Iron and steel industry

(b) Cotton textile

(c) Information technology

► (c) Information technology

(iii) Which one of the following is a natural fibre?

(a) Nylon

(b) Jute

(c) Acrylic

► (b) Jute

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3. Distinguish between the following

(i) Agro-based and mineral-based industry

Agro-based industry	Mineral-based industry
Uses plant and animal products as raw materials	Uses mineral ores as raw materials
Source of employment for people in rural areas	Source of employment for people in rural as well as urban areas
Example: Dairy industry, cotton textile industry	Example: Iron and steel industry, heavy machinery industry

(ii) Public-sector and joint-sector industry

Public-sector industry	**Joint-sector industry**
Owned and operated by the government	Jointly owned and operated by the government and individuals or a group of individuals
Example: Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Steel Authority of India Limited	Example: Maruti Udyog Limited

4. Give two examples of the following in the space provided.

(i) **Raw materials: _____ and _____**

(ii) **End product: _____ and _____**

(iii) **Tertiary activities: _____ and _____**

(iv) **Agro-based industries: _____ and _____**

(v) **Cottage industries: _____ and _____**

(vi) **Co-operatives: _____ and _____**

Answer

(i) Raw materials: cotton and steel

(ii) End product: shirt and safety pin

(iii) Tertiary activities: banking and transport

(iv) Agro-based industries: dairy industry and cotton textile industry

(v) Cottage industries: pottery industry and basket-weaving industry

(vi) Co-operatives: Anand Milk Union Limited and Sudha Dairy

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