



Hornbill
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Forestry Optional

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2 (a)	15	8
2 (b)	15	2
2 (c)	10	4
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8 (a)	15	8
8 (b)	15	2.5
8 (c)	10	4

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EVALUATION INDICATORS

* Draw Diagram properly

* pls read Question properly. Some times. write unnecessary content

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1. Answer the following [8 × 5 = 40]

(a) Define mycorrhiza and its role in the success of forest plantation

(8 Marks)

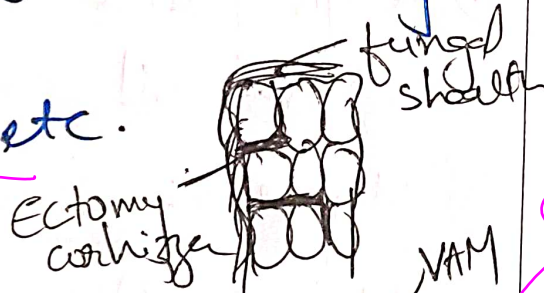
Mycorrhiza is defined as a symbiotic relation between fungi and plants.

Two types $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Endomycorrhiza} \\ \text{Ectomycorrhiza} \end{array} \right.$

Ectomycorrhiza

fungi: Ascomycetes and Basidiomycetes

plants: Casuarina etc.

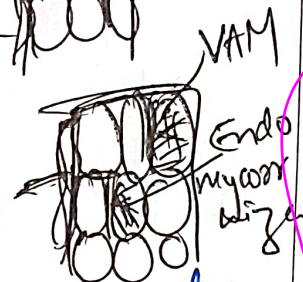


Endomycorrhiza

fungi: ~~Basidiomycetes~~ phycomycetes

plants: Angiosperm

VAM (Vasicular Arbuscular mycorrhiza)



Good + try to use color pen. for more clear diagrams

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Success in forest plantation

(1) Reservoir of phosphate (70-80%)

(2) provide resistance against drought, frost etc (extreme weather).

(3) Helps in producing growth hormone called Auxin and Gibberellin.

(4) Helps plant to uptake nutrient from soil and moisture.

(5) "Mycorrhiza induced resistance" against the disease.

(6) Help to tap the essential micro and macro nutrient.

(eg.) Frankia and Casuarina equisetifolia

is. bacteri?

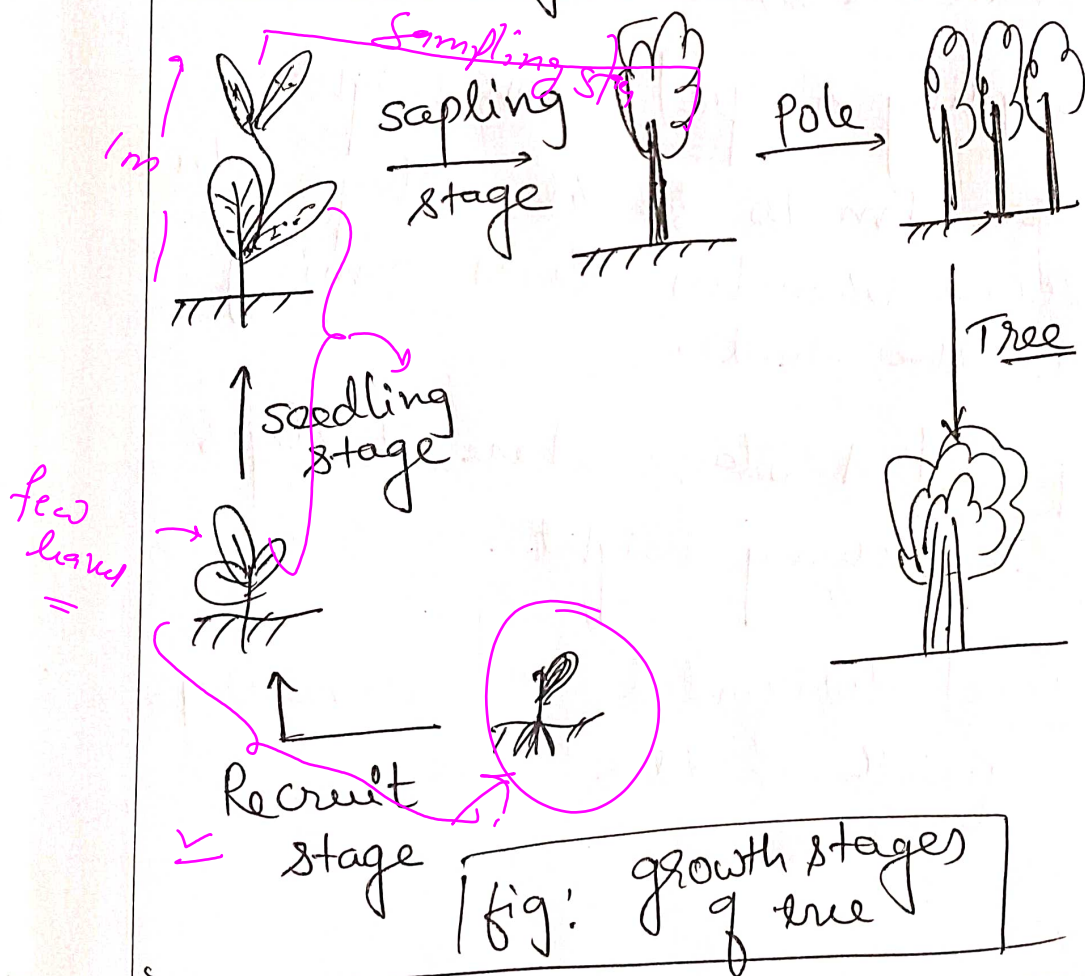
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(b) Explain the different growth stages of trees

(8 Marks)

Proper growth of the tree depends upon various factors such as climatic, edaphic, topographic, biotic and participation of human and economic factors.

Different growth stages of trees



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Recruit stage Growth of plant from germination of seed to the stage where few leaves are grown.

Seedling stage few leaves to the height of ~~to~~ plant is less than (< 1) meter.

sapling stage From height of tree 1m to ~~to~~ the stage where lower branches starts coming in the plant.

pole A stage where it stops in growing height 8.

Tree Horizontal or secondary growth in the tree demark.

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(c) Differentiate between Even-aged and Un-even aged stand

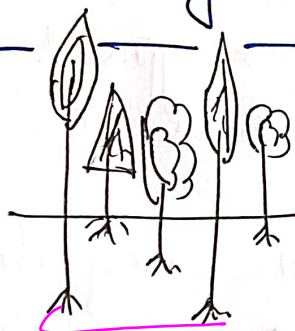
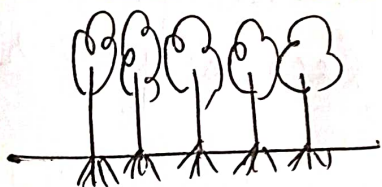
(8 Marks)

Even aged

Un-even aged stand

Most of the tree stand is of even age (same age class)

Mixed type of forest. (Not same age class)



even aged

Uneven aged

Site quality is not properly utilize

Site quality can be effectively utilized.

Economically important because less tapering rate, straight bole, natural pruning, uniform crown.

Economically less important because high tapering rate, nonuniform crown size.

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revisit one again and try to describe this question again

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Even aged	Uneven aged
Example Nilambur teak plantation	Salpura forest
Ecologically less important.	Ecologically more important desirable .
phenotypical superior	phenotypical less superior.
More susceptible to fire, insect, pest attack.	less susceptible to fire, insect, pest attack
Easy to supervise and manage.	Difficult to supervise and manage
(eg) Clear felling system	(eg) shelterwood or selection system.
Artificial regeneration	Natural regeneration

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(d) Explain the role of fire in forest regeneration

(8 Marks)

Fire plays an important role in regeneration of forest.

Role of fire in forest regeneration

① Fire helps in removing the exogenous dormancy of the seeds.

② Tectona grandis seed.
(orthodox seeds)

③ Fire helps in removal of unwanted trees or weeds present in the area.

④ The ash of the burnt plants helps in regeneration of new crops.
(source of nutrient)

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④ Due to fire certain micro-organism which may be harmful becomes dead.
(Helps in controlling Biotic factors)

⑤ slow fire at night helps crop to protect from frost attack.

(i.e) Frost tender species like Terminalia arjuna, Tectona grandis

⑥ Faster regeneration process therefore reduces rotation period.

(Help in pre-preparation of field before sowing with low time period).

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(e) Cover crop and Nurse crop

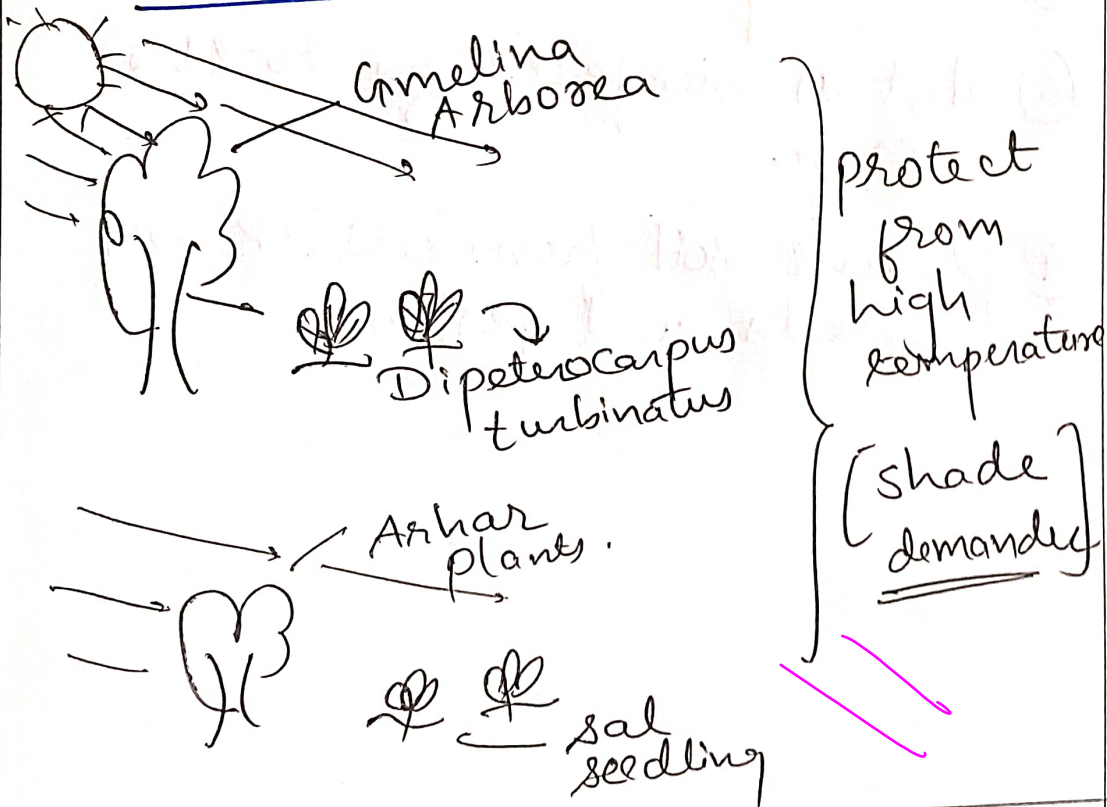
(8 Marks)

Nurse crop is grown with primary objective to protect a crop from frost, temperature winds etc.

and strong

[eg] If the required crop species frost tender, then we should not select such nurse crop which shed their leaves in winter

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Cover crop

Cover crop may be shrubs or herb or ^{small} tree with main objective is to prevent soil erosion and protect soil from degradation.

Significance

- ✓ (1) protect against soil erosion.
- ✓ (2) Mulching
- ✓ (3) act as bio-fertilizer to the crop.
- ✓ (4) prevent soil from attack by weeds and pest.

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2 (a) : What do you understand by the term locality factors? How do these factors affect the decision of plantation undertaking by the forester? (15 Marks)

locality factor is defined as the sum total of all climatic, edaphic, topographic and biotic factor of an area in which the crop is growing.

Locality factors

- ① Climatic
 - Wind
 - Temperature
 - Insolation
 - Moisture
- ② Edaphic
 - Mycorrhiza
 - Nutrient
 - soil organic nutrient
- ③ Topographic
 - Aspect
 - Altitude
 - slope
 - latitude
- ④ Biotic
 - Animal attack
 - parasite.
- ⑤ Economical
 - Availability of funds
 - support of government.
 - Silvicultural system.
- ⑥ Human
 - people participatory
 - Joint forest Management

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How these factor affect in plantation?

① Selection of the species is done based on the climatic factor consideration.

② Drought resistance : Prosopis juliflora

Good coppicer : Acacia nilotica

Frost tender : Tectona grandis

② Edaphic factor helps in choosing right species under government programme.

③ Mangrove forest { Anaerobic soil, waterlogging soil }

hence, \Rightarrow Avicennia marina,
Rhizophora mucronata }

Under MISHT scheme *

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③ Topographic factor plays important role. If plantation in Himalaya then northern slope should be prefer instead of southern slope.

④ It also depends on the type of area and silvicultural system.

④ Hilly terrain ⇒ ~~shelter~~ wood system

↓
plain terrain ⇒ ~~clear felling~~ ↓
Deodar + Kail
Tectona grandis

⑤ purpose of plantation plays important role. production purpose than Salix alba, cricket bat industries, Urban forestry than Azadirachta indica, Acacia nilotica, Mangifera indica, Ficus benghensis etc.

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2 (b) Climate change is affecting the composition, distribution, and phenology of plants. How? (15 Marks)

Climate change means long term increase in the temperature. This increase in temperature have affected composition, distribution and phenology of plants.

Climate change and composition

① Composition of plants which can tolerate high temperature.

② Reduction in the growth of new plants.

(i.e.) Sunburn and sunscald of young seedling.

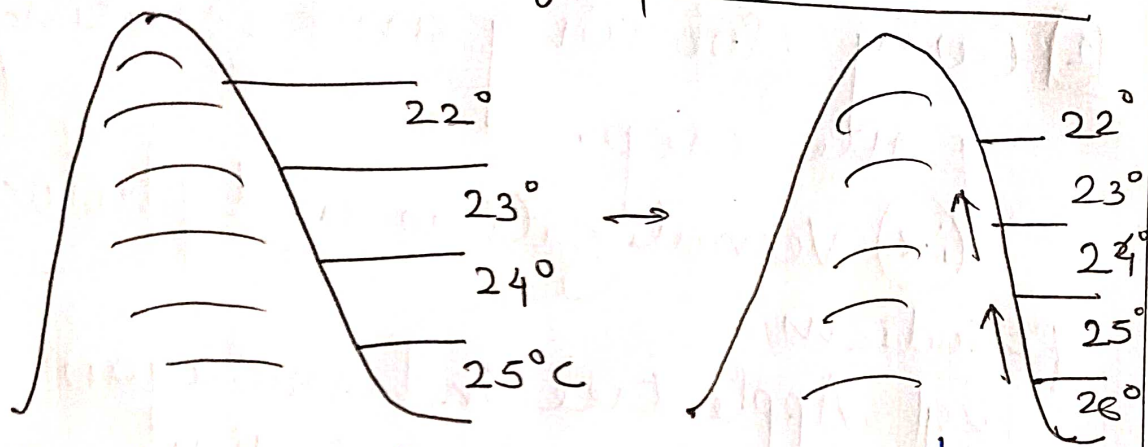
③ Dominance of light demander species, reduction in shade demander.

④ Dominance of drought resistance, frost resistance etc.

Permit this question if time permit for more clear structuring

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Climate change and distribution of plants



1) Upward shifting of the plant species.

2) Extinction of plant species found in higher altitude.

3) Increase in invasive alien species.

4) More productivity by exotic species, due to temperature change.

5) 'obnoxious plant' when they get distributed in other area, due to temperature change.

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climate change and phenology

1) ~~Early flowering and fruiting~~
of the crop.

(i.e) Vernalization and photo-periodism

[eg] Apple tree in Himalayan region.

2) climate change can induced new type of disease \Rightarrow leaf fall in different season.

3) ~~Melting of snow~~, therefore affect the phenology of pinus gerardiana (Kail).

4) More gregarious flowering in bamboo \Rightarrow loss of biodiversity of forest.

5) ~~Reduction in producing~~
viable seeds for reproduction

Shorea robusta (Sal) is an evergreen tree but now start exhibiting deciduous nature in dry localities. (Comp. 6.5)

Early leaves shedding in Shorea robusta.

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2 (c). Narrate the association of types of soils with various types of forest

(10 Marks)

According to Champion and Seth Classification forest is classified into 16 types. (1968).



Types of forest	Types of soil
<p><u>Tropical Evergreen forest</u> (Species) Dipterocarpus spp. Artocarpus spp. Morus ferns.</p>	<p>⇒ More horizontal rainfall ⇒ poor nutrient of soil ⇒ <u>Lateritic soil</u> ↓ dominated by <u>Xylia Xylocarpus</u></p>
<p><u>Littoral and swamp forest</u></p>	<p>⇒ waterlogged soil, Anaerobic and nutrient poor soil. ⇒ gleying soil.</p>
<p><u>Tropical moist and dry deciduous</u></p>	<p>⇒ Red soil in the south india and black cotton soil. (eg) <u>Acacia nilotica</u></p>
<p><u>Tropical thorn forest</u></p>	<p>⇒ Desert soil or saline soil is associated.</p>

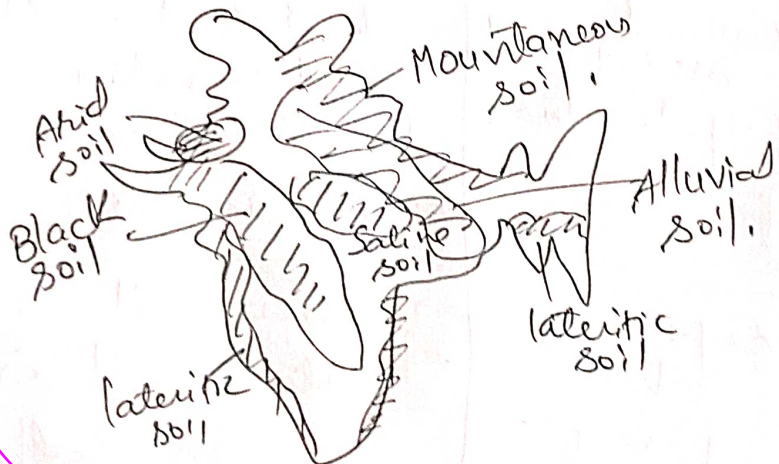
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Subtropical dry evergreen forest ⇒ foothill of Himalaya, alluvial soil
 (eg) ⇒ Shorea robusta

Temperate forest ⇒ Mountainous soil with huge litter
 (eg) Cedrus deodara, Juniperus.

Sub-alpine and alpine forest ⇒ Brown soil with low nutrient.
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cold desert condition in Himalayan region of Lehwal - spiti and Kinnaur region.

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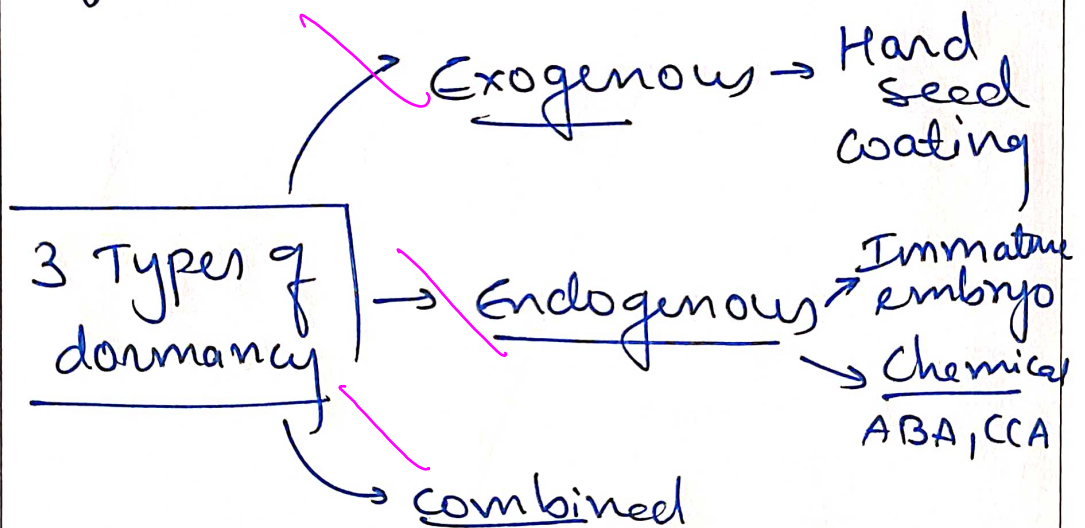


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4 (a) What is dormancy? How pre-sowing seed treatment helps in overcoming dormancy in tree seeds (15)

15 Marks

Dormancy is physiological phase of seed in which it fails to germinate despite availability of favourable environment.



Therefore, to remove above dormancy, pre sowing treatment is required for proper germination of tree seeds.

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presowing seed treatment in
overcoming dormancy

① Soak in water for 24 hour
to 48 hour in case of hard
seeds (eg) Tectona grandis

② weathering of the seeds.

③ Scarification of seeds.

→ H_2SO_4 acid can be used.
↳ rubbing on sand paper.

④ Extraction of immature seeds
from the tree.

⑤ slight fire to the seeds, so
that outer layer become
weak.

⑥ Animal eat the seeds and
they removed it via poop
(excreta).

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① Cold stratification

↳ Certain seeds germinate under cold environment, therefore providing such environment helps in germination of such seeds.

② Cedrus deodara

③ α rays, γ rays

↳ These rays are passed to remove chemical dormancy of the seeds in the laboratory.

→ Helps in removing the endogenous dormancy.

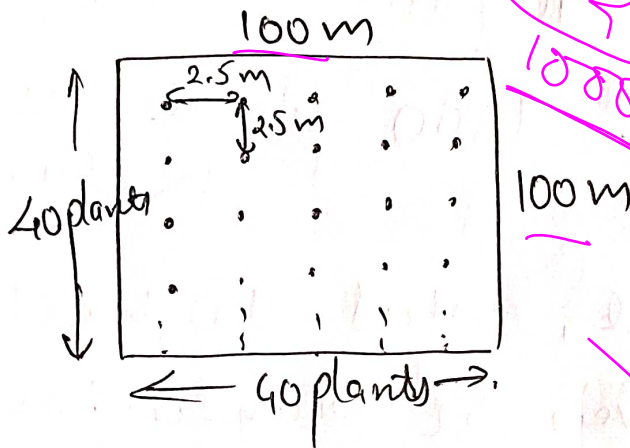
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4 (b) Calculate the number of plants required for 10 hectares of plantation in which the plants are planted at $2.5 \text{ m} \times 2.5 \text{ m}$ in square

15 Marks

plantation area is 10 hectares

Now, 1 hectare is 10^4 m^2 area



Therefore, if the spacing between the plantation is $2.5 \text{ m} \times 2.5 \text{ m}$ then, In 1 hectare total 40 plants will be planted in Row and 40 plants in the column.

Let us assume that one seed is required for one plant.

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Hence, Total plant
in 1 hectare of plantation
is given by,

$$= 40 \text{ plants} \times 40 \text{ plants}$$

$$= 1600 \text{ plants in 1 hectare.}$$

But, Total 10 hectares
is given for plantation.

$$\text{Hence, } 1600 \times 10$$

$$= \boxed{16,000 \text{ plants}}$$

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10 Marks

4 (c) : Explain objective and different kinds of thinning operations

Thinning operations are carried out under tending operation by removing unwanted or bad quality timber to obtain required timber.

(Types)

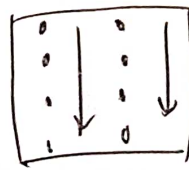
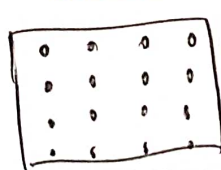
Even aged

- Mechanical thinning
- Ordinary thinning
- Crown thinning
- Elite thinning
- Creils thinning
- Numerical thinning

Un-even aged

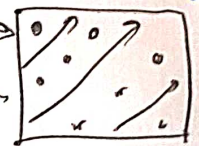
- selection type

① Mechanical thinning



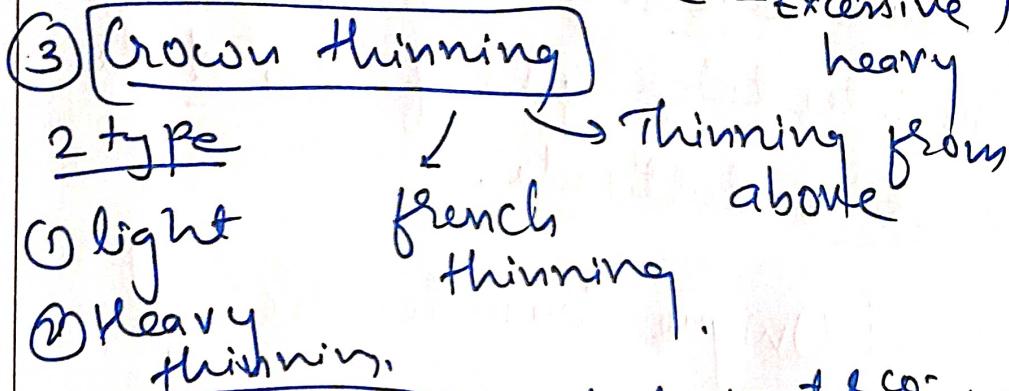
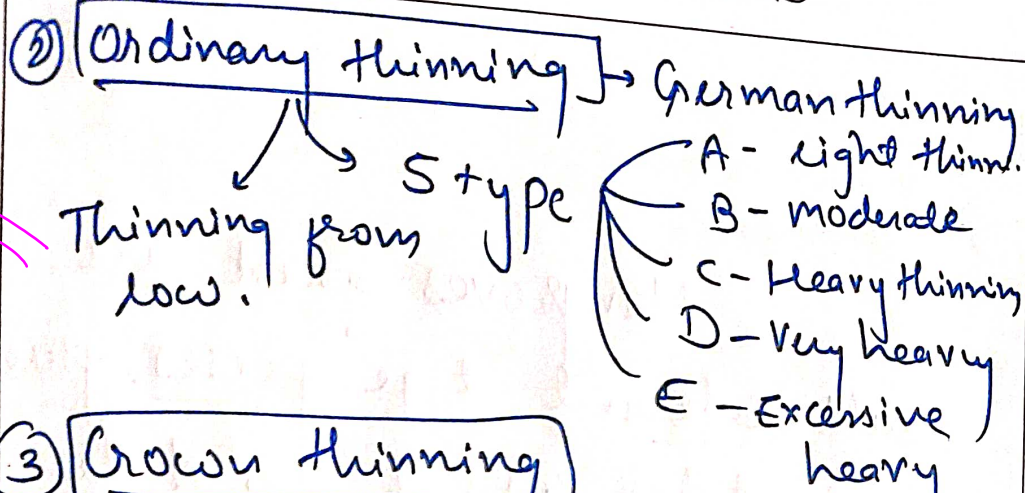
Row thinning

space thinning



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- ④ Elite thinning → only dominant & co-dominant
- ⑤ Crooks thinning → Before competition begins
- ⑥ Numerical thinning → Basal area $\frac{L}{H}$ ratio, etc.

Objective

- ① High quality timber can be obtained.
- ② Reduction of pest or insect attack.
- ③ Regular source of income by selling timber.
- ④ effective silvicultural operation

2/3 more objectives

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5. Answer the following [8 × 5 = 40]

(a) Describe the unique characteristic features of mangrove forests with suitable examples

8 Marks

Mangroves forest are salt tolerant tree species, growing in inter tidal zone of $24^{\circ}N$ to $38^{\circ}S$ latitude.

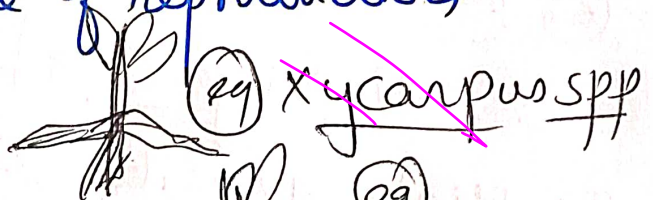
Unique characteristics of Mangrove forest

(1) plant adaptation

Vegetational characteristics

(1) Vivipary mode of reproduction

(2) Buttressing



(3) Knee roots



(4) pneumatophores

(29) Avicennia, spp.

(5) prop & stilt root



(2) Oceanic factor

(1) Inter tidal zone

growing in.

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- ② Salt spray.
- ③ Tsunami and wave.
- ③ Edaphic factor *Characteristics*
 - ① low nutrient availability -
 - eg) less N, P, K, availability.
 - ② Waterlogging condition
 - ③ Anaerobic soil.

④ Biodiversity support

- ① fisher
- ② Oyster
- ③ Bengal tiger

Ecotone zone

⑤ Benefits

Tangible	Intangible
→ Bon phool honey (sunderban)	→ protection from Tsunami (2004 india)
→ Wood, timber	→ CO ₂ sequester
→ Minor forest products.	

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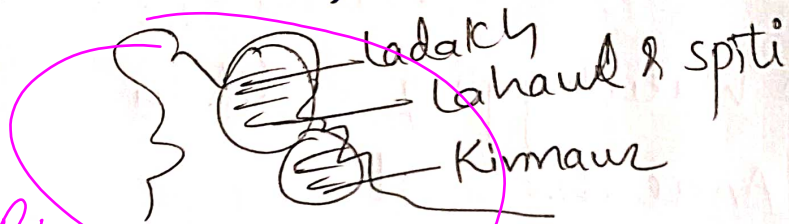
5 (b) : Discuss the afforestation techniques of cold desert

8 Mar

Cold desert have unique characteristic with low temperature ($< 0^{\circ}\text{C}$), less rainfall, poor nutrient soil etc

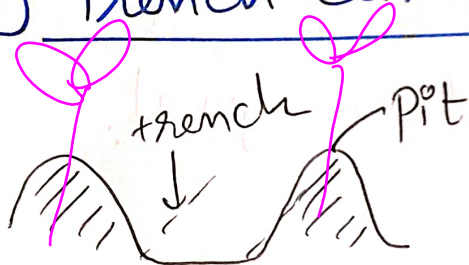
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Afforestation techniques

(i) Trench-cum-pit Method



In this technique 120 cm long ~~deep~~ trench with 60 cm wide and 45 cm depth trench is done.

Species Hippopae rhamnoides
(seabuck thorn)

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(ii) Irrigation cum drainage

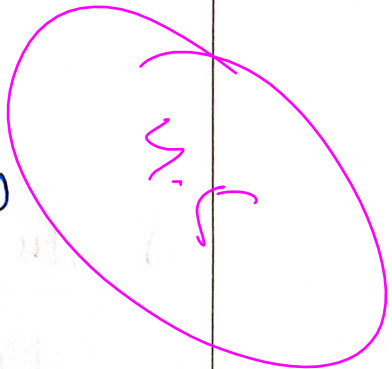
Due to unavailability of the water in cold desert, such afforestation technique can be used.

Species → pinus wallichiana
(Kail)

(iii) Stump plantation with pollarding

Hardy stump prepared in the nursery is planted and then pollarding is carried out.

Species { Salix alba
populus deltoides



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5 (c) : Describe the method of artificial regeneration of *Tectona grandis*

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Tectona grandis

Common name: Teak

Family: Verbenaceae

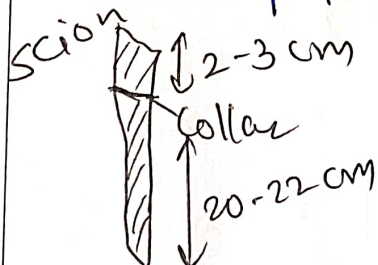
5 Tectona grandis is a light demanding tree with uniform crown grown in India below 24° N.



Method of Artificial regeneration

- ① Seeds → orthodox seeds
→ Remove exogenous dormancy,
→ Good seed year seeds.

② Stump plantation



stump of teak is prepared in the ~~the~~ nursery.

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3) Cutting

Stem cutting can be used for artificial regeneration of the teak.

4) Coppice

As teak is good coppicer, coppicing can be used for artificial regeneration of teak.

5) Tissue culture

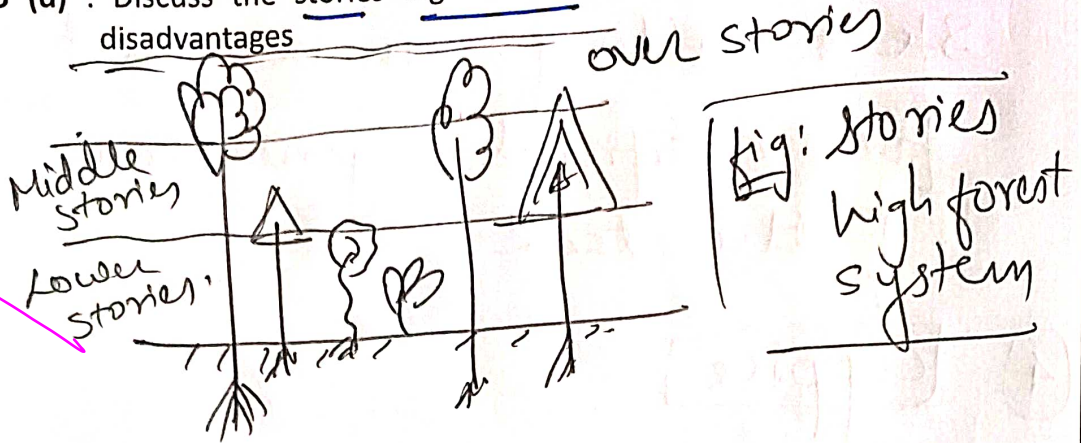
→ This can also be used to provide desired characteristic.

⇒ In-vitro method for artificial regeneration.

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5 (d) : Discuss the ^{two} stories high forest system with its advantages and disadvantages over stories

8 Marks



Forest regenerated by the seeds is called high forest.

Dominant (D): Tallest of the plant in the forest is called Dominant tree.

Pre-Dominant: D_1

Co-dominant: $\frac{5}{6}$ th of $D_1 = D_2$

Dominated $d \Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$ th of D_1 then it is called dominated

Suppressed $s = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{5}{8}\right) D_1$ is called suppressed,

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diseased tree (K), Moribund tree etc.

[Advantage]

- ① proper utilization of site quality.
- ② Growth of light demander with shade demander together.
- ③ protect soil from frost or soil erosion.
- ④ forest stratification, hence more ecological superiority.

[Disadvantage]

- ① Competition among species for light.
- ② May become source of pest or disease attack.
- ③ lower storey cannot grow much fastly.
- ④ Economically not viable for lumbering industries.

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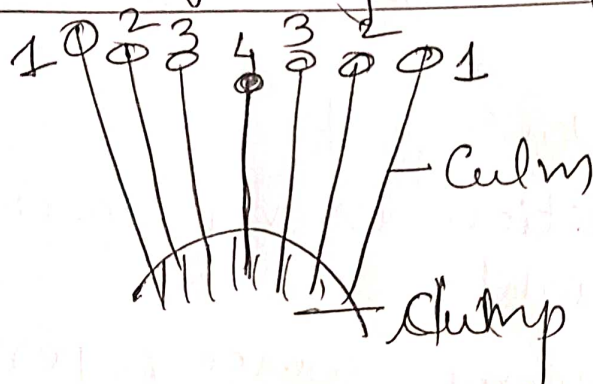
5 (e) : Discuss general felling rules of Bamboo

8 Marks

Bamboo are perennial grasses. It comes under Graminaceae family.

Example of bamboo → Dendrocalamus strictus
→ Arundinaria falcata.

General felling rules of bamboo



Standing bamboo wood is called Culm, whole plant of bamboo is supported together called clump.

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During felling, outermost culm should be fell first. (i.e. from figure no. 1), during secondary felling no. 2 culm would become the outer and mature, hence no. 2 will be cut. In this way culm should be felled from outer to inner part.

⇒ As new culm of bamboo will come in inner side of the clump.

Revised it
once and
rewrite.

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8 (a) : Explain in brief the Distribution, phenology, and Silvicultural characteristics of the following tree species (15) 15 Marks

(i) *Casuarina equisetifolia*

(ii) *Acacia nilotica*

(iii) *Shorea robusta*

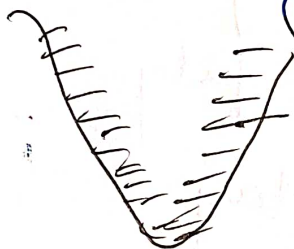
① *Casuarina equisetifolia*

Family : Casuarinaceae

Distribution

Exotic tree species from Indonesia.

grown in the coastal region of India.



Casuarina equisetifolia.

Temperature : 10-40°C

Rainfall : 200-300 cm

Soil : May survive in saline or waterlogged condition.

Phenology

leaf fall : Twice in the year
once in Nov-Dec
and once in June.

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leaf renewal: After the fall of the leaf.

fruiting: Twice in the year in Jan-Feb and once before monsoon.

Silviculture character

- (i) light demander species
- (ii) drought tolerate species
- (iii) Highly wind firm
- (iv) presence of Frankia, Mycorrhiza hence good growth.

Food

(ii) Acacia nilotica

Common name: SISOO

Family: leguminosae

Babool

Distribution



In state like, Gujarat, Rajasthan, U.P, Bihar, Odisha and even in South India (Pan india presence).

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(ii) Acacia nilotica

Common name: Sisoo

Family: Leguminosae

Temperature: 10^o - 40^o C

Rainfall: 70 cm - 160 cm

Soil type: loamy, well aerated soil
avoid waterlogging and saline conditions

Phenology leaf fall: March - April

leaf renewal: May - June

flowering: June - July

fruiting: April - May

Silviculture characteristics

① light demander species

② Frost resistant species

③ Wind firm tree ⇒ good root development

④ Moderate fire resistant

⑤ Orthodox seeds

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(ii) Shorea robusta

Common name: sal

Family: Dipterocarpaceae

Distribution

Found in North India, Assam, Meghalaya, Jharkhand

Temperature: $10^{\circ}\text{C} - 40^{\circ}\text{C}$

Rainfall: 200 cm - 300 cm

Soil: alluvium soil, loamy soil.

Phenology

leaf fall: Feb - March

leaf renewable: April - May

flowering: April - May,

fruiting: May - June

Silvicultural characteristics

- ① light demander species.
- ② Frost resistant species
- ③ Wind firm with good root system
- ④ Moderate fire resistance.

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8 (b) : Define clear felling. Write down the types, advantages and disadvantages of this system with a suitable diagram

15 Marks

Clear felling is silviculture operation under which the trees are felled in single operation. [Divided into Coupe ← equi-extensive and equi-productive]

Felling: felling of crop in single operation. plantation as well in single operation.

Character of crop → Even aged crop.

Regeneration → Mainly artificial regeneration but some time natural regeneration.

Tending operation → pruning, timber cutting, weeding etc.

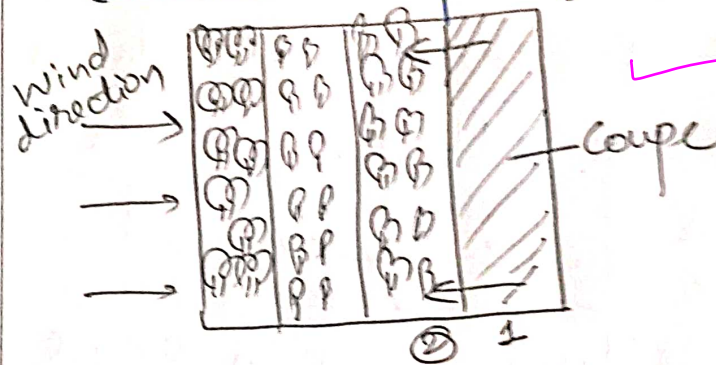
Example Pinus Resia, Casuarina equisetifolia, Shorea Robusta

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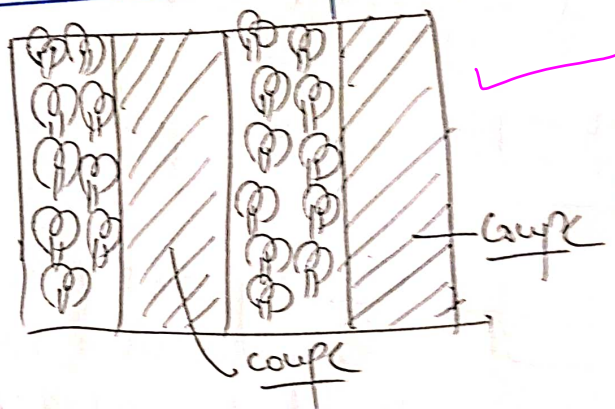
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Two types

① Clear strip system



② Alternate strip system



Advantage of clear felling

- ① Simplest silvicultural operation.
- ② Easy to supervise and manage.
- ③ High quality timber with less tapering, natural pruning and straight bole.

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- ④ Mechanization can be used and high productivity.
- ⑤ More economically viable \Rightarrow more return.
- ⑥ Does not require skill set, easily managed.

Disadvantage of clear felling

- ① site quality is not properly utilise.
- ② danger of soil erosion as the area is open for long time.
- ③ Frost may affect the seedling and sapling.
- ④ insect or pest attack may be susceptible.
(eg) sal heartwood borer in Sal.
- ⑤ Only light demander species can be grown.
- ⑥ shortage of labour during the season.
- ⑦ If excessive production \Rightarrow less price in market.

So not suitable. when small market.

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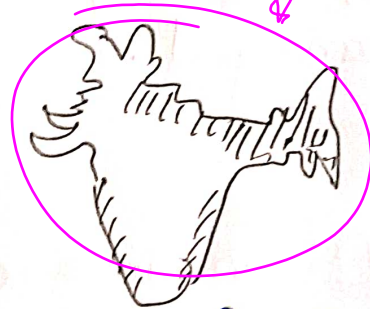
8 (c) : Briefly discuss the Distribution, Regeneration methods, and commercial uses of *Dendrocalamus strictus*

10 Marks

Dendrocalamus strictus

Family: Graminaceae

Distribution



growing area?

Draw it

Properly

Temperature: $10^{\circ} - 45^{\circ} \text{C}$

Rainfall: ~~150~~ cm - 200 cm of rainfall

Soil: lower canopy in tropical and subtropical region.

Forest type: Tropical forest

• Mountain subtropical forest
↳ Moist broad leaves

• Mountain temperate forest

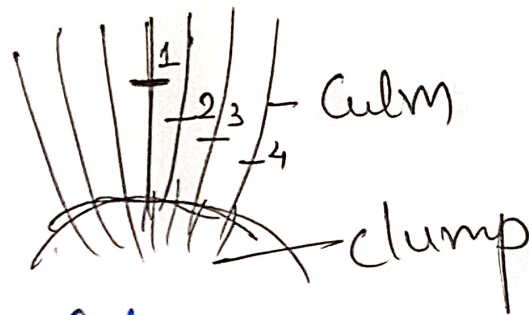
→ gregariously distributed in north east of india.

Regeneration method

① Rhizome cutting,

② Seed
③ Rooted culm

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Outer Culm is cutted first, then inner side culm under silvicultural operation.

Commercial uses

- (i) It is used in construction sector for formwork,
- (ii) Used as irrigation tool under 'zabod' of Nagaland.
- (iii) In nursery cutting is used for selling purpose (Rhizome)
- (iv) It is used in shipping industry and furniture industry.