

# 10. Human Environment – 1 (Settlements)

## Worksheet 1

**A Fill in the blanks:**

1. Human beings were \_\_\_\_\_ wandering in quest of food.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ began when people began to build their homes.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a group of people living in an area, bound together by common interests.
4. People live in \_\_\_\_\_ settlements for a short period.
5. Rural settlements can be either \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ over a large area.

**B Answer the following questions briefly:**

1. Describe briefly the four patterns of rural settlements.

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2. Define the classification of towns based on their functions.

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## ANSWERS TO WORKSHEET I



- A. 1. nomads 2. Human settlement 3. community 4. temporary 5. compact; scattered
- B. 1. Rural settlements can have the following patterns:
- (i) Linear settlements along river banks, roads, canals, sea coasts with houses mostly parallel to roads, railway tracks, sea coasts or rivers.
  - (ii) Circular settlements around a tank, lake or on a grassy plain focused on the people's main occupation, such as those who earn their livelihood from water by fishing, boating, etc.
  - (iii) Rectangular settlements at crossroads on productive alluvial plains and wide mountain valleys.
  - (iv) Radial settlements where a number of metalled or unmetalled roads converge and houses spread out along sides of roads in all directions.
2. Towns can be classified as follows:
- (i) Administrative towns that are headquarters of administrative departments of the government; (ii) Defence towns which are centres of military activity and can be fort towns, garrison towns, naval bases, airfields, training centres, etc. (iii) Cultural towns that are religious, educational or recreational centres; (iv) Collection centres for mining, fishing, lumbering, etc. (v) Industrial towns centred on some kind of mining or manufacturing activity; (vi) Trade and Transport towns that provide facilities for trade, commerce and services through shops, stores, godowns and markets; and (vii) Resort towns that cater to people's recreational needs based on health, cultural attractions, historical monuments, etc.

# Worksheet 2

**(A)** On a map of India, mark the following towns:

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|------------|---------------|------------|------------|
| 1. Mathura | 2. Jamshedpur | 3. Mumbai  | 4. Dhanbad |
| 5. Jaipur  | 6. Gulmarg    | 7. Roorkee | 8. Indore  |



**(B)** Select words indicating rural settlements and urban settlements from the box given below and put them in the appropriate columns:

wheat beach resort film industry tractor cows bus books corn sheep  
mining naval base fields office huts

Rural

Urban

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| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ |

5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_

**ANSWERS TO WORKSHEET 2**

A. The students may refer to an atlas.

B. Rural

1. wheat
2. tractor
3. cows
4. corn
5. sheep
6. fields
7. huts

Urban

- beach resort
- film industry
- bus
- books
- mining
- naval base
- office