I. Multiple Choice Questions:

1. Which of the following is a potential resource?
   - (a) Solar energy
   - (b) Soil
   - (c) Forests
   - (d) Land

2. Territorial waters of India extend upto .... kilometres from the coast.
   - (a) 10 km
   - (b) 12 km
   - (c) 19.2 km
   - (d) 19.5 km

3. Resource development in India depends upon
   - (a) technology
   - (b) type of human resource
   - (c) availability of resources
   - (d) all of the above

4. Net sown area plus the area sown more than once is called
   - (a) fallow land
   - (b) total cropped area
   - (c) gross sown area
   - (d) none of the above

5. Most common cause of land degradation is
   - (a) forest degraded area
   - (b) saline and alkaline land
   - (c) water degraded area
   - (d) others

6. Which of the following is not a cause of land degradation?
   - A. Human beings
   - B. Technology
   - C. Deforestation
   - D. Contour ploughing
   - (a) A and D
   - (b) B and C
   - (c) A and B
   - (d) B only

7. The soil deficient in nitrogen and humus is
   - (a) black
   - (b) alluvial
   - (c) arid
   - (d) laterite

8. Shelter belt is an effective method of soil conservation in .... region.
   - (a) tropical
   - (b) mountaineous
   - (c) desert
   - (d) plains

9. The soil typical in areas of high temperature and high rainfall is
   - (a) alluvial soil
   - (b) red soil
   - (c) laterite soil
   - (d) black soil

10. Red soil is red in colour because
    - (a) it is rich in humus
    - (b) it is derived from volcanic eruption
    - (c) it is rich in iron compounds
    - (d) it is deficient in iron