

ASSIGNMENT-2

MEANING OF RESOURCES:-

Resources is defined as features which are useful and needed by man. It can also be defined as anything which are from living and non-living environment to satisfy the human needs.

A resource is any physical or virtual entity of limited availability or anything used to help on earn a living

Any ~~res~~ natural or human wealth that can be used for satisfying human needs

Available sources of wealth, a new or reserve supply that can be drawn upon when needed

A concentration of naturally occurring solid, liquid or gaseous material in or on the Earth's crust.

Something that one uses to achieve an objective eg:- raw materials or personnel, a person's capacity to deal with difficulty

DEFINITION:-

- (a) Means to attain given ends
- (b) aid, support, supply
- (c) capacity to take advantage of opportunities or to extricate oneself from difficulties

NATURE OF RESOURCES :-

Resources are dynamic :-

Resources are dynamic not only in response to increased knowledge, improved arts, expanding science but also in response to changing individual wants and social objectives. Minerals, forests, fisheries etc are included.

Resources are pre existing endowment :-

Natural resources are considered by many to be a preexisting endowment that is available for human exploitation.

Resources are created by Technology :-

All resources could be considered not natural created by Technology and not fixed - expanding and growing with the ideas and knowledge that are used to transform the environment and make it habitable for humans

Resources are power and wealth :-

Resources are the bases of both of both security and opulence's. They are the power ^{and wealth} of foundation. They affect man's destiny in war and peace.

COMPONENTS OF RESOURCES:

The following components are

The Biosphere: The biosphere is the layer around our planet in which all living organisms exist. It has been called as 'skin of life'. The biosphere is basically composed as inorganic, organic and energy components.

The Atmosphere: Atmosphere is the blankets of air which comprises different gases, water vapour, dust particles. It consists of 21% of oxygen which is the life giving layer to all living organisms.

The Soil: The basic necessity of mankind is food, shelter and clothing is fulfilled by soils. Soils are indispensable to life.

The Water: Water is an important component of abiotic or physical components because it is very essential for all types of life in the biosphere. The water components are surface water, groundwater and oceanic water.

Plants and animals:

Autotrophic components represent plants and heterotrophic components represent animals. Plants produce food and animals are to use organic matter made available by green plants.

Micro organisms:

Microorganisms are known as decomposers because they decompose dead plants and animals and other organic matter in different forms.

Human Resources:

Human Resources are the important component. The concept of Resources is purely functional, inseparable for human wants and human capabilities.