

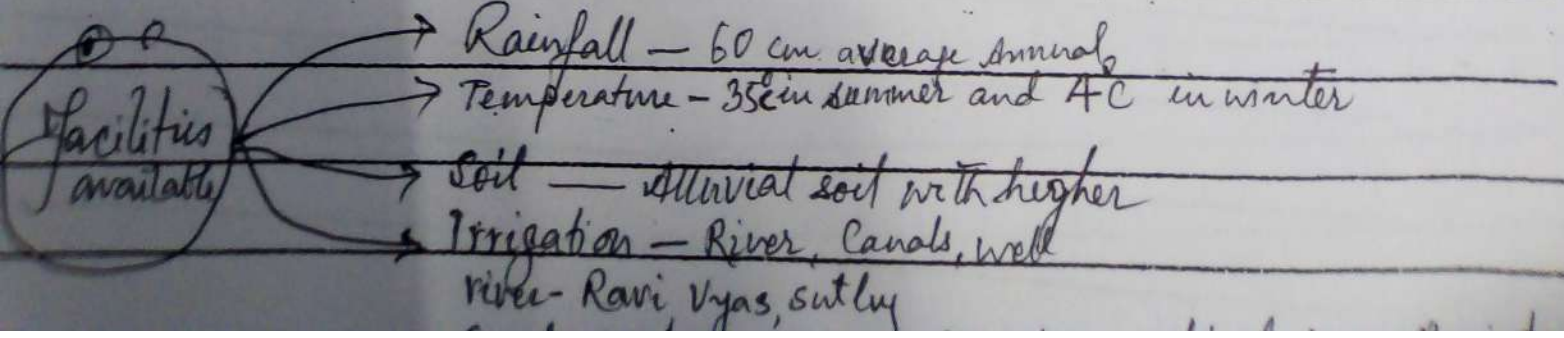
Agriculture of Panjab Plain

The Panjab plain is a large alluvial plain in north-western India. It extends ^{from} ~~at~~ $27^{\circ}39'$ ^{N. Lat} to $32^{\circ}30'$ north latitude and $73^{\circ}31'$ east ^{long} to $77^{\circ}36'$ east longitude. It has an area of 99200 km^2 . ~~The~~ ^{The Plain} covers the area of Panjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and the union territory of Delhi, except for the Shadkhan zone. It is bounded by the Siwalik range ⁱⁿ ~~to~~ the north, the Yamuna river to the east, the arid zone of Rajasthan state to the south, and the Ravi and Sutlej rivers to the northwest and southwest respectively.

Historical Background:-

The Panjab plain is a large. includes the Pakistani province of Panjab and the Indian state of Panjab. The plain is the western part of the North Indian River plain in Pakistan formed by the Indus river and its tributaries - Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, Beas and the Sutlej. The larger part of Panjab plain ~~is~~ lies in Pakistan.

• Facilities available: -



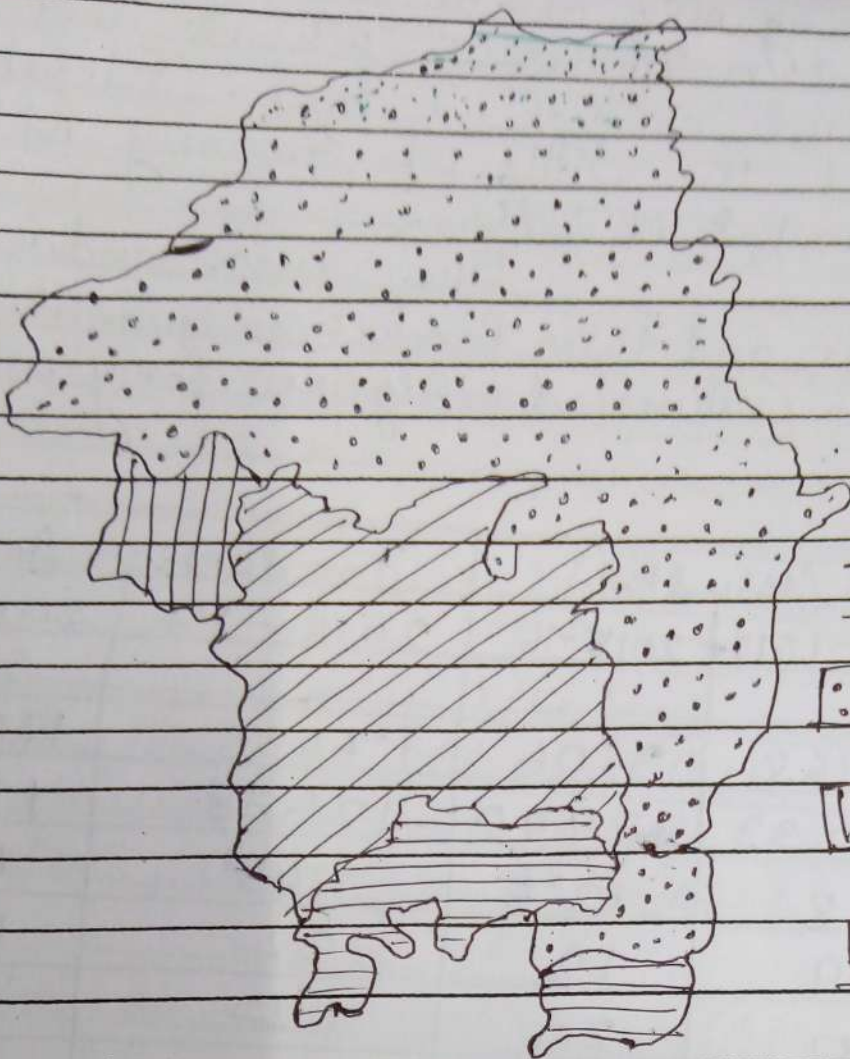
Agriculture of Punjab

Punjab agriculture is highly popular all over India. Punjab is well known for its agricultural activities and plantations. Agricultural activities have occupied a high percentage of land in Punjab because of its land which is perfect for cropping.

The major agricultural products in Punjab comprise of wheat, maize, rice, and bajra. Among all these, wheat predominates the entire crop plantation whereas rice and maize are confined to a few regions only. Punjab is the largest producer of wheat in India and it produces around 2 million tonnes every year. Rice is produced in Gurdaspur, Amritsar and Ferozshah districts in Punjab. The leading cash crops cultivated by the agricultural sector in Punjab is cotton. Other important crops of Punjab agriculture include sugarcane, potatoes and groundnuts.

The agriculture in Punjab witnessed a marked improvement of Green Revolution.

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~~There are two main crops~~ ~~weathering~~
crops. Rabi and Kharif are two main
crops. Kharif crop extends June-August to
September-December. Millets, Maize, Cotton,
rice and sugarcane are the Kharif crops.
The time of rabi crops is from October-November
to April-May. The Wheat, chickpeas, barley
and mustard are rabi crops.

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Punjab, having only 1.54% area of India, is the largest contributor of wheat and rice in the central pool. Punjab has earned the title of Granary of India or food basket of India.

The area under the major crops and their production quantity is given below (estimated figures for year 2016-17):

| Crops | Area (thousand Hect.) | | Production (thousand metric ton) | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------------------------|---------|
| | 2016-17 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2015-16 |
| ① Wheat | 3468 | 3506 | 17636 | 16068 |
| ② Rice | 3033 | 2970 | 12638 | 11803 |
| ③ Maize | 118 | 127 | 445 | 475 |
| ④ Barley | 09 | 12 | 32 | 44 |
| ⑤ Pulses | 20 | 20 | 12 | 10 |
| ⑥ Rapeseed/Mustard | 31 | 32 | 44 | 42 |
| ⑦ Sunflower | 6 | 6 | 11 | 10 |
| ⑧ Oil Seeds | 42 | 48 | 58 | 52 |
| ⑨ Sugarcane | 87 | 92 | 591 | 558 |
| ⑩ Cotton | 285 | 335 | 1267 | 1389 |

According to 2015-16 data, the total production of rice in India was 104408 thousand metric tonne and that in Punjab was 11823 units. It means Punjab produced 11.32% of the total rice production in India. The production of wheat in

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India was 92287 units and the same in Panjab was 16077 units, which is 17.4% of the wheat production in India. The total production of cereals includes wheat, rice and other cereals like maize, jowar, bajra, barley etc.

Vegetables Grown in Panjab

The only major vegetable produce of the state is Potato. The other main vegetables produced in state are cauliflower, lady fingers, tomatoes, carrot and radish.

The area under vegetables is given below:

| <u>Crops</u> | <u>Area</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Potato | 91627 |
| Onion | 872 |
| Other vegetables (summer) | 1879 |

Fruits Grown in Panjab:

In Panjab, Kinnow (Mandarin), Mango, Guava, sweet orange, Pear, Ber, Grapes, Pear and Litchi are major fruits, while lemons, Amla, Pomegranate, Phalsa, Banana etc. are the minor fruits grown in the region.