

## Worksheet: Forest Society and Colonialism

Gujarat State Board · Class 9 · Social Studies · 13 questions · 37 marks

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**Q1.** What is shifting cultivation? *[1 mark]*

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**Q2.** Who was Dietrich Brandis and what was his role in India? *[1 mark]*

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**Q3.** Name and briefly describe the three categories of forests under the Indian Forest Act (1878). *[2 marks]*

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**Q4.** Who led the Bastar Rebellion (1910)? *[1 mark]*

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**Q5.** Why did the British government in India want to control forests in the 19th century? *[3 marks]*

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**Q6.** How did colonial forest policy affect adivasi (tribal) communities? *[3 marks]*

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**Q7.** Why did the Bastar Rebellion occur, and how was it suppressed? *[3 marks]*

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**Q8.** Compare the colonial forest policy in India (British) and Java (Dutch). What were similarities and differences? *[3 marks]*

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**Q9.** Why is shifting cultivation now considered 'sustainable' by modern ecologists when British foresters considered it 'destructive'? *[3 marks]*

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**Q10.** Discuss the impact of British forest policy on Indian forest dwellers from 1865 to 1947. *[5 marks]*

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**Q11.** What does the Bastar Rebellion (1910) teach us about the relationship between colonialism and indigenous resistance? *[4 marks]*

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**Q12.** What was the Samin movement and why is it considered important in the history of anti-colonial resistance? *[4 marks]*

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**Q13.** How has the Indian state's policy on forests changed since independence, and what challenges remain? [4 marks]

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