
Worksheet: Pastoralists in the Modern World

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Q1. What is transhumance? *[1 mark]*

Q2. Name three pastoral communities of India and their states. *[1 mark]*

Q3. What was the Criminal Tribes Act (1871)? *[1 mark]*

Q4. Who are the Maasai? Where do they live? *[1 mark]*

Q5. How did Indian pastoralists cope with colonial restrictions? *[2 marks]*

Q6. How did British colonial policies restrict the lives of pastoralists in India? *[3 marks]*

Q7. Compare the lives of the Maasai (Africa) and the Gujjar Bakarwals (India). What similarities exist in their experiences? *[3 marks]*

Q8. Why is the Banjara community considered an important pastoral and trading community of pre-colonial India? [3 marks]

Q9. How were Maasai grazing lands reduced under colonial rule? [3 marks]

Q10. Describe how the Forest Acts and other colonial policies affected the lives of the Indian pastoral communities. [5 marks]

Q11. Why has pastoralism survived for thousands of years despite the spread of settled agriculture and modern states? [4 marks]

Q12. How do modern Indian and African states continue to restrict pastoralist livelihoods after independence? [4 marks]
