

INTERNATIONAL INDIAN SCHOOL -BURAIDAH

SAUDI HISTORY & CULTURE WORKSHEET NO:6 /Term-2 Class: 7

L-6 Natural Resources of Saudi Arabia

I.Fill in the blanks:

1. The full form of FAO is **Food and Agriculture Organization.**
2. Saudi Arabia has the world's largest **oil** reserves.
3. In the Hijaz and Asir **wells** are abundant and springs are common in the **mountainous** areas.
4. **Gas** has now become an important factor in fueling power and desalination plants.
5. King Abdul Aziz accredited American geologist **K.S. Twitchell** to look into the storage of mineral, metal and oil resources.
6. The largest oil field located in Saudi Arabia is **The Ghawar Field.**

II. Answer the following:

1. What are the Kingdom's recoverable reserves in oil, according to the latest estimates?

Ans: According to the latest estimates, the Kingdom's recoverable reserves now Consist of 267 billion barrels.

2. Which oil company owns and operates the Ghawar Field?

Ans: The Ghawar Field is entirely owned and operated by the Saudi Aramco, the nationalized Saudi Oil Company.

3. How long are the oil reserves of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia expected to last?

Ans: As techniques for extraction improve and new reserves are found, it is estimated that the oil reserves of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will last for some 90 years.

4. Where are the known gold deposits located in Saudi Arabia?

Ans: All known gold deposits in the Kingdom are located in the Pre - Cambrian rocks of the Arabian Shield which lie in the western region of Saudi Arabia.

5. Apart from the natural gas liquids, what else is Saudi Arabia the largest exporter of?

Ans: Saudi Arabia is the largest global exporter of natural gas liquids as well as methanol, octane enhancers and ammonia fertilizers, all of which are produced using gas.

6. What has increased the availability of much of underground water?

Ans: Modern technology has located and increased the availability of much of the underground water.

7. Where are most of the artesian wells and springs found?

Ans: In eastern Arabia and the Jabal Tuwaiq, artesian wells and springs are plentiful.

8. What are the country's proven resources of gas?

Ans: The country's proven resources of gas have doubled in 20 years to 6.7 trillion cubic meters.