

# ST. LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL



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Social Study Worksheet - 21 Date:03-11-20

Lesson: India: Physical Features Topic: The Coastal Plains, The Islands and Rivers of India

### A. Write about the following:

### a) Coastal Plains

India is a country that is surrounded by the sea on three of its side. The coastal plains in India are along the west and east of the country. It extends up to 7516.6 kilometres. The coastal plains in India are divided into two types: Eastern Coastal Plains of India and Western Coastal Plains of India. The Western coastal Plain extends from Kachchh in Gujarat in the North to Kanniyakumari in the South. The Eastern Coastal Plain extends from the mouth of the Ganga in West Bengal to Kanniyakumari. The Eastern and Western Coastal Plains meet at Kanyakumari, the southern tip of mainland India.

## b) The Islands

Islands are areas of land surrounded by water on all sides. India has a number of islands. Beautiful islands of Lakshadweep are located in the Arabian Sea. Coral Islands are formed by the deposition of the skeletons of small sea animals. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are located in the Bay of Bengal. Both the islands are archipelago (group of islands that are located close to each other).

#### **B.** What are Perennial Rivers?

Perennial Rivers are also known as Himalayan Rivers. They originate from glaciers in the Himalayas example Ganga and Yamuna. These rivers get water from the melting ice of glaciers. They have water throughout the year. Numerous tributaries originate from the Himalayas. Yamuna, Gandak and Kosi are major Himalayan tributaries of the Ganga.

### C. What are Seasonal Rivers

Seasonal Rivers are also known as Peninsula Rivers. They get their water from rainfall. They usually have water only during the monsoon season. The Seasonal Rivers dry up during hot summer months. Narmada and Tapi are two important seasonal rivers flowing into the Arabian Sea.

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