

# ST. PETER SR. SEC. SCHOOL, JAORA

## SOCIAL STUDIES

## CLASS IV

### CHAPTER 2 – THE NORTHERN MOUNTAINS

India is the land of the highest mountain ranges in the world, the Himalayas. The **Northern Mountains** region stretches from Arunachal Pradesh in the north-east to Jammu and Kashmir in the north.

#### THREE DIVISIONS

The Northern mountains consist of three parallel ranges –

1. The **Greater Himalayas** or **Himadri**

The mountains are covered with snow and glaciers throughout the year and have an extremely cold climate. Ganga, Yamuna, Indus and Brahmaputra get the water from these glaciers. Also Kanchenjunga, the highest peak in India is located in this region.

2. The **Middle Himalayas** or **Himachal**

It lies to the south of Himadri. The mountains here are low in altitude and have many hill situations with thick pine and deodar forests.

3. The **Outer Himalayas** or **Shiwalik**

The mountains is separated from the main Himalayan range by hills and valleys. This is the most populous region of the Himalayas. Due to favourable climate conditions, many food crops are grown here.

#### REGIONS UNDER NORTHERN MOUNTAINS

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| 1. Jammu and Kashmir | 7. Arunachal Pradesh |
| 2. Ladakh            | 8. Meghalaya         |
| 3. Himachal Pradesh  | 9. Manipur           |
| 4. Uttrakhand        | 10. Nagaland         |
| 5. Darjeeling        | 11. Mizoram          |
| 6. Sikkim            |                      |

## WORK OUT

### A. Fill in the blanks with the correct answers.

1. Jammu and Kashmir is located in the **northern** part of India.  
a. western                      b. eastern                      c. northern
2. The Outer Himalayas are also known as the **Shiwalik** range.  
a. Shiwalik                      b. Himachal                      c. Terai
3. Loktak Lake is located in **Manipur**.  
a. Manipur                      b. Himachal Pradesh                      c. Uttarakhand
4. Patkai is a hill which is part of the **Purvanchal** range.  
a. Himachal                      b. Himadri                      c. Purvanchal
5. The red panda is found in the state of **Sikkim**.  
a. Sikkim                      b. Uttarakhand                      c. Himachal Pradesh

### B. Name the following.

1. The highest of the three parallel ranges of the Himalayas:  
**The Greater Himalayas**
2. A union territory through which the river Zaskar flows:  
**Ladakh**
3. Hemkund Sahib is located in:  
**Uttarakhand**

(Note: Question 3 statement is wrong in the text book. Please correct as given above.)

4. A state in north-east India shares its international borders with Myanmar:  
**Nagaland**
5. The north-eastern state with a high literacy rate:  
**Mizoram**

### C. Write T for true and F for false.

1. No vegetation is found in the Middle Himalayas.
2. The river Ganga has its source in the Himadri.
3. Mizoram has thick bamboo forests.
4. Jammu and Kashmir is a union territory.
5. Mawsynram is a village in Manipur.

F

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**D. Answer these questions.**

1. Name the three parallel ranges of the Northern Mountains.

**Ans.** The three parallel ranges of northern mountains are:

1. The Greater Himalayas or Himadri
2. The Middle Himalayas or Himachal
3. The Outer Himalayas or Shiwalik

2. Name three pilgrimage sites of Uttarakhand?

**Ans.** Haridwar, Badrinath, Kedarnath are the three pilgrimage sites of Uttarakhand.

3. In which states of north-east India do the Northern Mountains lie?

**Ans.** The states of north-east India where the northern mountains lie are:

Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram.

4. Which place in Meghalaya receives the highest annual rainfall in India?

**Ans.** Mawsynram receives the highest rainfall in India.

5. Which mountain ranges make up the Purvanchal?

**Ans.** Patkai, Mishmi, Naga, Manipur, Tripura and Mizo in the north-east collectively make up the Purvanchal.

6. Name the five north-eastern states of India.

**Ans.** Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram are the five north-eastern states of India.

**Note:**

Part A, B and C answers should be mentioned in textbooks.

Part D – Answer these question should be written in fair copy.

## **ASSIGNMENT – HOME WORK**

### **A. Map Work**

On an outline map of India shown below, mark the states: Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland and Mizoram.



**\*\*\*THANK YOU\*\*\***