

Class 12 Geography Map Work List

Official CBSE 2026-27 map list · locations and one-line notes from NCERT (Reprint 2026-27) · board years 2022–2026

How it is asked. Two map questions: on the outline political world map, identify features marked A–G (for example, an area of nomadic herding, a sea port, an airport, an inland waterway); on the outline map of India, locate and label features such as the leading rice state, a refinery or a port. **Asked** = years the item came up in a map question, or in its text version for visually impaired candidates, in the CBSE board papers we have (2022–2026). Some map questions in our copies could not be read, so treat the years as a minimum.

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Asked in CBSE board papers, 2022–2026

Item	Where	Years
Nomadic herding · Primary activities (world map)	Core: Atlantic shores of North Africa east across Arabia to Mongolia and Central China. Also the Eurasian tundra, south-west Africa and Madagascar	2025, 2026
Extensive commercial grain farming · Primary activities (world map)	Eurasian steppes, Canadian and American Prairies, Pampas (Argentina), Velds (South Africa), Australian Downs, Canterbury Plains (New Zealand)	2025, 2026
Bailadila (iron ore) · Mines and oil refineries	Chhattisgarh (southern, Dantewada)	2023, 2025
Mathura (oil refinery) · Mines and oil refineries	Uttar Pradesh	2023, 2025
Suez Canal · Inland waterways	Egypt: Port Said (north) – Port Suez (south)	2026
Panama Canal · Inland waterways	Panama: Panama City – Colón	2026
Rice · Leading producing states of crops	West Bengal	2025
Khetri (copper) · Mines and oil refineries	Rajasthan	2025
Koraput (bauxite) · Mines and oil refineries	Odisha (southern)	2025
Kochi · Major sea ports (India)	Kerala	2025
Guwahati · International airports (India)	Assam	2025
Paradwip · Major sea ports (India)	Odisha	2023
Barauni (oil refinery) · Mines and oil refineries	Bihar	2022

Primary activities (world map)

Fundamentals of Human Geography · Primary Activities · **Identify**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Subsistence gathering	High latitudes: northern Canada, northern Eurasia, southern Chile. Low latitudes: Amazon Basin, tropical Africa, northern fringe of Australia, interior South-east Asia	Harsh climates; low capital and technology.	



2	Nomadic herding	Core: Atlantic shores of North Africa east across Arabia to Mongolia and Central China. Also the Eurasian tundra, south-west Africa and Madagascar	Pastoral nomadism; movement with herds; transhumance in mountains.	2025, 2026
3	Commercial livestock rearing	New Zealand, Australia, Argentina, Uruguay, USA	Permanent fenced ranches; one type of animal.	
4	Extensive commercial grain farming	Eurasian steppes, Canadian and American Prairies, Pampas (Argentina), Velds (South Africa), Australian Downs, Canterbury Plains (New Zealand)	Wheat; huge mechanised farms; low yield per acre, high per person.	2025, 2026
5	Mixed farming	North-western Europe, eastern North America, parts of Eurasia, temperate southern continents	Crops and animals together; fodder crops and crop rotation.	

Trans-continental railways (terminal stations)

Fundamentals of Human Geography · Transport and Communication · **Identify**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Trans-Siberian Railway	St Petersburg (west) – Vladivostok (east), Russia	Via Moscow, Ufa, Novosibirsk, Irkutsk, Chita, Khabarovsk; 9,332 km; Asia's most important route.	
2	Trans-Canadian Railway	Halifax (east) – Vancouver (west), Canada	Via Montreal, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Calgary; 7,050 km.	
3	Trans-Australian Railway	Perth (west) – Sydney (east), Australia	Runs across the continent.	

2024 and 2025: a railway line was shown on the map; students named it, its terminal stations and the oceans at either end.

Major sea ports (world)

Fundamentals of Human Geography · Transport and Communication · **Identify**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	North Cape	Norway (Europe)	Northern tip of Europe.	
2	London	United Kingdom (Europe)	On the Thames.	
3	Hamburg	Germany (Europe)	On the Elbe.	
4	Vancouver	Canada (North America)	Pacific coast; western end of the Trans-Canadian line.	
5	San Francisco	USA (North America)	Pacific coast.	
6	New Orleans	USA (North America)	Mississippi mouth, Gulf of Mexico.	
7	Rio de Janeiro	Brazil (South America)	Atlantic coast.	
8	"Cologne" (see note)	Probably Colón, Panama	Atlantic end of the Panama Canal.	
9	Valparaiso	Chile (South America)	Pacific coast.	
10	Suez	Egypt (Africa)	Southern end of the Suez Canal.	
11	Cape Town	South Africa (Africa)	Near the Cape of Good Hope.	
12	Yokohama	Japan (Asia)	Pacific coast.	
13	Shanghai	China (Asia)	Yangtze mouth.	
14	Hong Kong	China (Asia)	South China coast.	
15	Aden	Yemen (Asia)	Entrance of the Red Sea; on the Suez route.	



16	Karachi	Pakistan (Asia)	Arabian Sea.	
17	Kolkata	India (Asia)	On the Hugli.	
18	Perth	Australia	West coast.	
19	Sydney	Australia	East coast.	
20	Melbourne	Australia	South-east coast.	

The CBSE list prints "Cologne" under South America. Cologne is an inland German city on the Rhine, so this is almost certainly Colón (Panama), which NCERT names at the Atlantic end of the Panama Canal. Check with your teacher.

Major airports (world)

Fundamentals of Human Geography · Transport and Communication · **Identify**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Tokyo	Japan (Asia)		
2	Beijing	China (Asia)		
3	Mumbai	India (Asia)		
4	Jeddah	Saudi Arabia (Asia)	Red Sea coast.	
5	Aden	Yemen (Asia)		
6	Johannesburg	South Africa (Africa)		
7	Nairobi	Kenya (Africa)		
8	Moscow	Russia (Europe)		
9	London	United Kingdom (Europe)		
10	Paris	France (Europe)		
11	Berlin	Germany (Europe)		
12	Rome	Italy (Europe)		
13	Chicago	USA (North America)	Near the Great Lakes.	
14	New Orleans	USA (North America)		
15	Mexico City	Mexico (North America)		
16	Buenos Aires	Argentina (South America)		
17	Santiago	Chile (South America)		
18	Darwin	Australia	North coast.	
19	Wellington	New Zealand	North Island.	

Inland waterways

Fundamentals of Human Geography · Transport and Communication · **Identify**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Suez Canal	Egypt: Port Said (north) – Port Suez (south)	Built 1869; links the Mediterranean and the Red Sea; shorter than the Cape of Good Hope route.	2026
2	Panama Canal	Panama: Panama City – Colón	Links the Atlantic (east) and the Pacific (west); about 72 km.	2026
3	Rhine waterway	Germany and the Netherlands: Rotterdam – Basel (Switzerland)	Navigable for 700 km; ocean-going ships reach Cologne; world's most heavily used waterway.	
4	St Lawrence Seaway	Canada–USA: Great Lakes to the Atlantic	Soo and Welland canals; ports Duluth and Buffalo; ships reach Montreal.	

2026: one paper showed a shipping canal and asked which two seas it joins; another asked for a waterway's location, terminal points and significance.



Population density (India map)

India: People and Economy · Population · **Locate and label**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Highest density state (2011)	Bihar	1,102 persons per sq km. (Delhi, a Union Territory, is 11,297.)	
2	Lowest density state (2011)	Arunachal Pradesh	17 persons per sq km.	

Leading producing states of crops

India: People and Economy · Land Resources and Agriculture · **Locate and label**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Rice	West Bengal	Leading states: West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab; three rice crops a year in WB.	2025
2	Wheat	Uttar Pradesh	Then Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan.	
3	Cotton	Gujarat	Leading producers: Gujarat, Maharashtra, Telangana.	
4	Jute	West Bengal	About three-fourths of India's jute.	
5	Sugarcane	Uttar Pradesh	About two-fifths of India's sugarcane.	
6	Tea	Assam	More than half of India's tea.	
7	Coffee	Karnataka	More than two-thirds of India's coffee.	

Mines and oil refineries

India: People and Economy · Mineral and Energy Resources · **Locate and label**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Mayurbhanj (iron ore)	Odisha		
2	Bailadila (iron ore)	Chhattisgarh (southern, Dantewada)		2023, 2025
3	Ratnagiri (iron ore)	Maharashtra	Konkan coast.	
4	Bellary (iron ore)	Karnataka		
5	Balaghat (manganese)	Madhya Pradesh	Balaghat–Chhindwara–Nimar–Mandla belt.	
6	Shimoga (manganese)	Karnataka	Shivamogga.	
7	Hazaribagh (copper)	Jharkhand		
8	Singhbhum (copper)	Jharkhand		
9	Khetri (copper)	Rajasthan	Asked as “copper mines in Rajasthan”.	2025
10	Katni (bauxite)	Madhya Pradesh	Katni–Jabalpur area.	
11	Bilaspur (bauxite)	Chhattisgarh		
12	Koraput (bauxite)	Odisha (southern)		2025
13	Jharia (coal)	Jharkhand	India's largest coalfield.	
14	Bokaro (coal)	Jharkhand		
15	Raniganj (coal)	West Bengal	Second largest after Jharia.	
16	Neyveli (coal)	Tamil Nadu	Lignite.	
17	Mathura (oil refinery)	Uttar Pradesh	Asked as “oil refinery in Uttar Pradesh”.	2023, 2025
18	Jamnagar (oil refinery)	Gujarat	Gulf of Kachchh coast.	
19	Barauni (oil refinery)	Bihar	Market-based refinery.	2022



Major sea ports (India)

India: People and Economy · International Trade · **Locate and label**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Kandla (Deendayal Port)	Gujarat	At the head of the Gulf of Kuchchh.	
2	Mumbai	Maharashtra	Natural harbour; biggest port.	
3	Marmagao	Goa	Iron ore exports.	
4	Kochi	Kerala	At the head of Vembanad Kayal; "Queen of the Arabian Sea".	2025
5	Mangalore (New Mangalore)	Karnataka	Exports iron ore and iron concentrates.	
6	Tuticorin (V.O. Chidambaranar)	Tamil Nadu	Developed to relieve pressure on Chennai.	
7	Chennai	Tamil Nadu	One of the oldest ports on the east coast.	
8	Visakhapatnam	Andhra Pradesh	Landlocked harbour joined to the sea by a channel cut through rock.	
9	Paradwip	Odisha	On the Mahanadi delta.	2023
10	Haldia	West Bengal	Satellite port of Kolkata.	

International airports (India)

India: People and Economy · International Trade · **Locate and label**

#	Item	Where	Remember	Asked
1	Ahmedabad	Gujarat		
2	Mumbai	Maharashtra		
3	Bengaluru	Karnataka		
4	Chennai	Tamil Nadu		
5	Kolkata	West Bengal		
6	Guwahati	Assam	Asked as "international airport in Assam".	2025
7	Delhi	Delhi		
8	Amritsar	Punjab		
9	Thiruvananthapuram	Kerala		
10	Hyderabad	Telangana		

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