



**Q. 8 : Read the following passage and answer the following questions.**

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**Non-Metallic Minerals :** Mica is a mineral made up of a series of plates or leaves. It splits easily into thin sheets. These sheets can be so thin that a thousand can be layered into a mica sheet of a few centimeters high. Mica can be clear, black, green, red yellow or brown. Due to its excellent di-electric strength, low power loss factor, insulating properties and resistance to high voltage, mica is one of the most indispensable minerals used in electric and electronic industries. Mica deposits are found in the northern edge of the Chota Nagpur plateau. Koderma Gaya - Hazaribagh belt of Jharkhand is the leading producer. In Rajasthan, the major mica producing area is around Ajmer. Nellore mica belt of Andhra Pradesh is also an important producer in the country.

- 1) How is Mica made up of? 1
- 2) Mica is one of the most ----- mineral used in electric and electronic industries. 1
- 3) In which places Mica deposits are found? 1
- 4) Which the major mica producing area in India? 1

**SECTION "D"**

**Q.9 :** India now ranks as a "WIND SUPER POWER "in the world. Why?

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**OR**

What are the Petroleum producing areas in India? Explain.



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