Tropical rainforests

Sample question

(a) Study Fig. 1.

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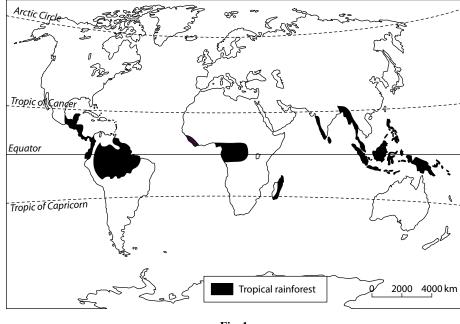


Fig. 1

- (i) Define the term 'ecosystem'.
- (ii) Name a country with a tropical rainforest ecosystem:
 - A in Asia
 - B in South America.
- (iii) Describe the distribution of areas with a tropical rainforest ecosystem.
- (b) Study Fig. 2.

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Identify and state the temperatures of the months with the highest and lowest maximum (i) temperature in Betafo. What is the annual range of temperature? (3) (ii) Explain why the annual precipitation is high in the tropical rainforest. (4) (iii) Explain the relationship between the climate and the natural vegetation of tropical rainforests. (5) (c) Describe and explain how human activity is changing an area of tropical rainforest you have studied. (7)

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