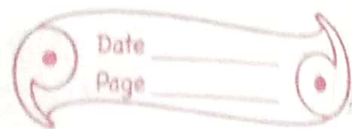


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Assessment



(1) Deforestation is the purposeful clearing of forested land.

- * Deforestation is the disappearance of forests.
- * They cleared forest for making railway sleepers and for fuel to run locomotives.
- * They cleared forest for tea, coffee and rubber plantations.
- * The government thought that the forests were unproductive, so they cleared the forest for cultivation.
- * They directly encouraged the production of cash crops like jute, cotton etc.

(2) (i) The Forest Acts created many problems for the villagers. Their daily practices cutting wood for their houses, hunting, fishing and collecting fruits now became illegal.

(ii) People were forced to steal wood from the forests and if caught, were at the mercy of the forest guards.