

Issue 4 - Variation of Agriculture among Regions

1. What are the main environmental and cultural factors that contribute to variations of agricultural practices among regions?
 - a. Impact of climate
 - b. Impact of cultural factors
2. Define and discuss the economic issues for subsistence farmers:
 - a. Demographic development in LDCs
 - b. Global trade patterns and regulations
 - i. Intensification of farmland (Ester Boserup)
 1. Forest Fallow:
 2. Bush Fallow:
 3. Short Fallow:
 4. Annual Cropping:
 5. Multicropping:
 - ii. Intensification through production
 - iii. Discuss the impact of global trade patterns, and the connections between subsistence farming and international trade
3. Define and discuss the economic Issues for commercial farmers:
 - a. Access to Markets?
 - b. When does wheat farming become unprofitable?
 - c. What are the causes of overproduction, and why is it a serious economic problem?
 - d. Discuss the role of government programs in commercial agriculture: