ADMINISTRATIVE SET-UP

Location:

Tonk district is located in north-eastern part of Rajasthan between 25°41' and 26°34' North latitude and 75°07' and 76°19' East longitude. It has a geographical area of about 7194 sq.km. It is bounded on the north by Jaipur district, south by Bhilwara and Bundi district, west by Ajmer district and east by Sawai Madhopur district.

Administrative setup:


Climate:

The climate of the district is dry and healthy. The average minimum temperature of the district varies between 15°C and 17.5°C, while the maximum fluctuates between 27.5°C and 44°C. From March and onwards temperature tends to rise and is at peak during May and June. Between the middle of November and January the season is cold. Monsoon season usually starts from the third week of June and lasts up to mid-September. Average rainfall of the district is about 613.6 mm.

Geology and Minerals:

Gneiss and schist is occupying a major part of the district in the vast panelled tract and quartzite forms elongated ridge from the oldest rock of the Pre Aravallis dating back to nearly 2500 million years.

The district is quite rich in mineral resources, some of the mineral found in the district are of rich quality. Garnet, a semi precious stone is found at Rajmahal, Gaorri and Saroi. Silica sand suitable for Glass industries occurs at Bher, Siwad and Niwai. Mica is another important mineral found in the district, besides minor quantity of iron ore, Beryl are also found in the district.

Physiography & Soil:

The district is flat and having a shape of a kite. Generally, it has an elevation of about 264.32 metre above mean sea level. The only important river of the district is Banas, which divides it into two halves. The soil is some what sandy but fertile, some offshoots of Aravalli hills are also found scattered here and there. The general slope of the district is from the north west to south east.

The soils of this district are greyish brown to brown and yellowish brown with wide variation in texture from sandy loam to loam having clear upper boundary of argillic horizon but the south-eastern part of district is light texture with little profile developed.

Some blocks like Malpura, Tonk, Niwai have salinity and alkali problem.

Soils of Todaraisingh and Deoli blocks are good for agricultural crops but the major problem is of these areas poor availability of irrigation water, so dry farming techniques are adopted by farmers.

Forest:

About 3.49 per cent of the total area of the district is covered by forest i.e. 25072 ha, mostly located in Tonk tehsil.

Population:

The total population of Tonk district is 975006 among which 784586 is rural and 190420 is urban. Tehsilwise population is as follows:-

1. Malpura = 172049
2. Niwai = 160352
3. Todaraisingh = 108431
4. Tonk = 269191
5. Deoli = 152332
6. Uniara = 112651