IGCSE Geography 0460 3.1 Agricultural Systems

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Describe and identify the influence of inputs (natural and human) on the processes and outputs of each of the following agricultural systems:

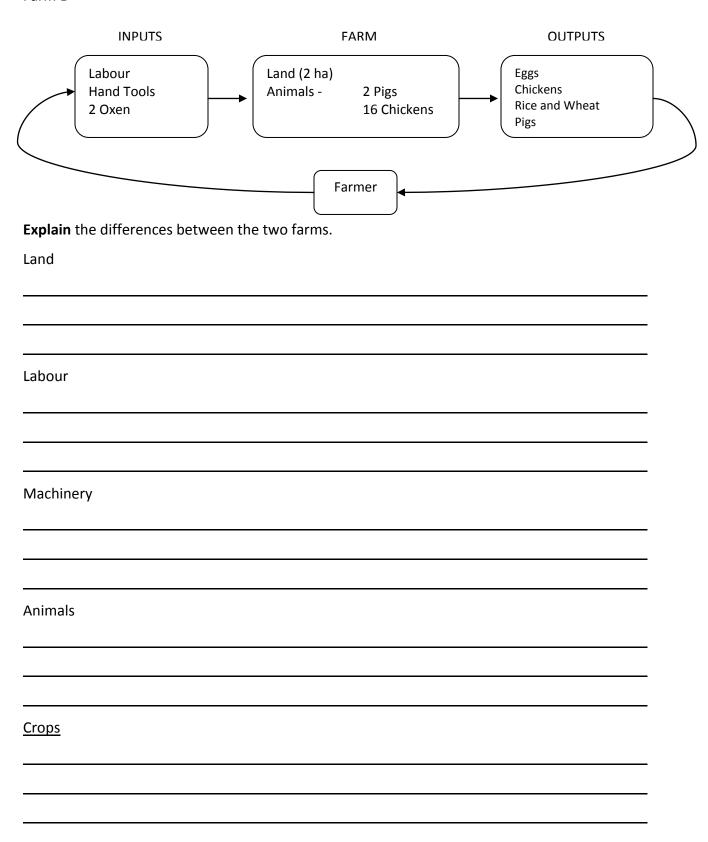
- a large-scale system of commercial farming;
- small-scale subsistence farming.

Recognise the causes and effects of shortages of food and describe possible solutions to this problem.



Define the following terms;	
Arable Farming:	
Pastoral Farming:	
Commercial Farming:	
Subsistence Farming:	
Extensive Farming:	
Intensive Farming:	
Shifting Cultivation:	
Sedenary Cultivation:	
One farm is a Subsistence Farm in India, the other a Commercial Farm in South-West England. Farm A = INPUTS Land (220 ha) Animals - 40 Calves 180 Cows 40 Digs)
Add the following labels into the correct boxes above; Barley, Fertiliser, Hay, Labour, Machinery, Fattened Pigs, Manure and Milk What happens to the outputs on Farm A?	

Farm B =



Complete the table to show the factors that affect farming

Physical Factors (Environmental)		
Relief and Altitude		
Soils		
Temperature and Sunshine		
Water Supply		
Human and Economic Inputs	(Social)	
Land Ownership/Tenure		
Size of Farms/Fields		
Competition for Land		
Transport and Markets		
Capital (Money/Renvenue)		
Mechanisation		
Political Factors		
Governmental/EU Policies		
Variable Inputs		

Case Study: Commercial Farming in Denmark

What are the two types of farming in Denmark and where do we find them?		
Why is Denmark suited to Crop Cultivation?		
What is the problem with relying on one crop as a source of income and how have farmers overcome this problem?		
What recent changes have happened in Danish Farming in general and since joining the EU?		

What are the basic aims of the European Union's (EU's) Common Agricultural Policy (CAP)?		
Vhy was the <i>Common Agricultural Policy</i> ir	ntroduced and when?	
ist 5 <i>advantages</i> and 5 <i>disadvantages</i> of tl	he Common Agricultural Policy.	
Advantages	Disadvantages	

Case Study: Subsistence Rice Farming in the Lower Ganges Valley

Why is the Lower Ganges Valley suited to Rice Cultivation?		
Watch the clip on Wild China. http://video.mail.ru/bk/nowikow777/855/1957.html		
How have farmers overcome the problem of relying on one type of crop and what benefit does		
this have to the farmers?		
What recent changes have happened in Rice Farming in general?		

Why was the Green Revolution introduced and when?		
List 6 successes and 6 failures of the Green Revolution.		
Advantages	Disadvantages	

What are pesticides and how do they affect the environment?		
What are fertilisers and what is their impact on the environment?		
What are phosphate and how do they affect the environment?		
What are the reasons for clearing hedgerows from fields? Why should keep hedgerows?		

Complete the table below to show the advantages and disadvantages of organic farming.

Advantages	Disadvantages