

## Botanical Gardens

A botanical garden is essentially a collection of living plants maintained for both pure and applied studies. The earliest botanic gardens were intended mainly for the training of medical students & for the study of drug yielding plants. During the 18th century, some of them or drug gardens substituted not only medicinal herbs but also many other types of flowering plants.

Botanical and horticultural research is at present an accepted & well established sphere of activity of most of the botanical garden of the world. Several botanic garden also organize course in horticultural education for the benefit of botanists, gardeners & the laymen.

### Important Botanic gardens

(i) Royal Botanic gardens, Kew → This garden was started as private garden of Sir Henry Compton. At present it is under the ministry of Agriculture, fisheries & food. The herbarium contains 5,00,000 ab specimens, the arboretum 700 spp and varieties about 15,000 spp and varieties under glass while 3000 herbaceous spp, are grown out door.

(ii) National botanic gardens (NBG) Lucknow →

The main function of NBG are —

- Collection, ornamental, industrial, medicinal & other economic important.
- Maintenance of botanic gardens at Lucknow and organization of its field stations and sub-centres.
- Study of growth, flowering & fruit and fruit.
- To convenience the rare & interesting plants.

THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The first part of the history of the United States is the history of the colonies. The colonies were founded by people who came from Europe to seek a better life. They were at first dependent on England for their supplies and protection.

As the colonies grew, they began to develop their own laws and customs. They wanted more freedom and to be able to govern themselves. This led to a struggle with England for independence.

The American Revolution was fought between 1775 and 1783. The colonies won their independence from England and became a new nation.

The new nation was founded on the principles of liberty and justice for all. The Constitution was written to provide a framework for the government.

The history of the United States is a story of growth and progress. It is a story of people who have worked hard to build a better life for themselves and for their children.

The United States has become a great nation. It has a rich culture and a strong economy. It is a land of opportunity and hope.

The history of the United States is a story of courage and sacrifice. It is a story of people who have fought for their freedom and for the freedom of others.

The United States is a land of diversity. It is a land where people of many different backgrounds and beliefs live together in harmony.

The history of the United States is a story of progress and achievement. It is a story of people who have made great contributions to the world.

The United States is a land of promise. It is a land where the future is bright and the possibilities are endless.

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→ They are also acting or research stations in explaining the flora of native & other regions. They act as acclimatization station for the introduction of economically valuable plants.

⇒ The botanic garden also play a important role in the field of horticulture.

⇒ Botanic garden act as out door - laboratories for the students of Botany.