

What is the Rubber Board?

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About Rubber Board

- It is a **statutory organization** constituted under the **Rubber Act, 1947**.
- It functions under the **administrative control of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry**.

Functions of Rubber Board

- The Board is responsible for the **development of the rubber industry** in the country by **assisting and encouraging research, development, extension and training activities** related to rubber.
- It also **maintains statistical data of rubber**, takes **steps to promote marketing of rubber** and undertake **labor welfare activities**.

- **A crucial function** of the Rubber Board **is issuing licenses to rubber producers, manufacturers, and exporters/traders.** This license, **known as the “Rubber Board license/registration,”** is **mandatory for anyone involved in rubber manufacturing and export**

Structure of Rubber Board

- The Board is **headed by a Chairman appointed by the Central Government.**
 - It has **28 members representing various interests of the natural rubber industry.**
 - **Headquarters: Kottayam, Kerala.**
 - The activities of the Board are **exercised through Five Departments** viz. General Services, Extension & Advisory Services, **Research Services (rubber Research Institute of India), Training (Rubber Training Institute)** & Finance.
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Q1) What is natural rubber?

Natural rubber is made up of long isoprene polymer chains, loosely connected. The chains reattach themselves when pulled apart; this gives rubber its elasticity. As opposed to synthetic rubbers, which are made from petrochemicals, natural rubber is made from the latex sap of rubber trees (although other plants also produce latex, rubber trees are the most efficient at producing rubber, making them the suppliers of latex for 99% of natural rubber).

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