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SUBJECT: Geography

CLASS: VII

Chapter 9 (continue)Physical Features(A) Eastern Highlands

- They lie parallel to eastern coast of Australia.
- extends from Queensland to Victoria.
- They include Great Dividing Range and Great Barrier Reef.

(i) Great Dividing Range

- They are folded rocks and slopes towards Pacific Ocean.
- Highest peak is Mount Kosciuszko Mountain in New South Wales.
- In New South Wales these mountains are known as Blue Mountains.
- In Victoria they are known as Australian Alps.
- Many rivers originate from these mountains, namely Murray and Darling.
- These rivers are used to generate hydroelectricity.

(ii) Great Barrier Reef

- Largest coral reef in the world.
- Stretches over 1900 mts along N.E. coast of Australia.
- It is formed by coral Polyps.
- They occur in pink, red and white colours.
- They are great for tourist attraction.
- They are hazardous for ships.