

## Prelims Practice Questions 12-12-2017

1. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Star Tortoise

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1. They are found in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

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2. Their IUCN conservation status is 'endangered'

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3. They exhibit sexual dimorphism.

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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a. 1 and 2 only

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b. 2 and 3 only

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c. 1 and 3 only

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d. 1, 2, 3

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2. Consider the following statements regarding Endosulfan.

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1. Endosulfan has low potential for bio-accumulation.

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2. India is one of the largest producer and consumer.

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3. The Yellow label classification by Central Insecticide Board means highly toxic.

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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- a. 1 and 3 only
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- b. 2 only
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- c. 2 and 3 only
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- d. 3 only
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3. Consider the following statements.

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- 1. India is the largest contributor to UN Peacekeeping mission.
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- 2. Among the UNSC permanent members, United States is the largest contributor.
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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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- a. 1 only
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- b. 2 only
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- c. Both 1 and 2
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- d. Neither 1 nor 2
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4. Consider the following statements about The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

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1. It has direct access to Atlantic Ocean.

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2. It is also known as Zaire.

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3. It is the largest country in Africa.

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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a. 1 and 2 only

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b. 2 only

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c. 2 and 3 only

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d. 1, 2, 3

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5. Consider the following statements.

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1. In recent days, the amount of silt increases in Brahmaputra River.

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2. The dam projects in upper reaches, pollutes the river.

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3. Brahmaputra is known for frequent shifting of river course.

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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a. 1 and 3 only

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b. 2 and 3 only

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c. 3 only  
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d. 1, 2, 3  
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6. Which of the following countries share its border with Syria?

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1. Lebanon  
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2. Israel  
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3. Saudi Arabia  
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4. Jordan  
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5. Palestine  
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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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a. 1, 2 and 3 only  
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b. 1, 2 and 4 only  
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c. 2, 3 and 5 only  
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d. 1, 2, 4 and 5 only  
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7. Recently people around the world have observed a rare celestial event,

“Supermoon”. With respect to this rare phenomenon consider the following statements:

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1. Supermoon phenomenon is reported when the moon in the circular orbit comes close to the orbit of the earth.
2. It occurs either during the full moon day or during the new moon day.
3. Technically this phenomenon is called as Apogee-Syzygy position.
4. Supermoon is free from the occurrence of eclipse.

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Which of the above given statements above is/are correct?

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- a. 2 only
- b. 1 and 3 only
- c. 1, 2 and 4 only
- d. 2, 3 and 4 only

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8. The New Agenda Coalition (NAC), which was often in News, is a geographically dispersed group of middle power countries seeking to build an international consensus to make progress on

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- a. Chemical Weapons Convention
- b. Biological Weapons Convention
- c. Nuclear Disarmament

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d. Space Debris Convention

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9. Consider the following statements regarding Advanced Air Defence (AAD) Interceptor Missile known as Ashwin

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1. It is an anti-ballistic missile designed to intercept incoming ballistic missiles in the endo-atmosphere at an altitude of 30 km
2. It is a single-stage, solid-fuelled missile
3. It is part of double-tiered missile defense system that India's military hopes will provide a multi-layered defense system against any potential ballistic missile strike.

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Which of the given above statements is/are correct?

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- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2 and 3

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10. The Pandemic Emergency Finance Facility (PEF), a new financing mechanism to quickly mobilize funds to tackle global disease outbreaks and create a new

insurance market for pandemic risk, was launched by which of the following agency in recent times?

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a. International Monetary Fund (IMF)

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b. World Health Organisation (WHO)

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c. World Bank

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d. World Economic Forum (WEF)

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### **Answers & Explanations**

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1. c

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The conservation status of IUCN is 'Vulnerable'

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2. c

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Endosulfan has high potential for bio-accumulation.

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3. a

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Among the UNSC permanent members, China is the largest contributor.

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4. a

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Algeria is the largest country in Africa. DRC is the second largest.

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5. d

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6. b

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7. a

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A supermoon is the coincidence of a full moon or a new moon with the closest approach that the Moon makes with the Earth on its elliptical orbit. The technical name is the perigee-syzygy of the Earth-Moon-Sun system.



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8. c

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9. d

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10. c

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***Share your answers & thoughts in the comment section***

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