

# **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.  $\space{1mm}\$
- 2. Their IUCN conservation status is 'endangered'  $_{\n}$
- 3. They exhibit sexual dimorphism. n

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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1 and 2 only

2 and 3 only

1 and 3 only

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.  $\space{1.5mu}\$
- 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.  $\slash n$ 
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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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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.  $\space{\space{1.5}n}$
- 2. It is also known as Zaire. n
- 3. It is the largest country in Africa. n

Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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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.  $\slash n$
- 2. The dam projects in upper reaches, pollutes the river.  $\slash n$
- 3. Brahmaputra is known for frequent shifting of river course.  $\slash n$

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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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- \n 1. Lebanon
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- 2. Israel

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- 3. Saudi Arabia
- 4. Jordan
- 5. Palestine

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Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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1, 2 and 3 only

1, 2 and 4 only

1, 2 and 4 only

2, 3 and 5 only

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.  $\n$
- 2. It occurs either during the full moon day or during the new moon day.  $\ensuremath{\sc n}$
- 3. Technically this phenomenon is called as Apogee-Syzygy position.  $\ensuremath{\sc n}$
- 4. Supermoon is free from the occurrence of eclipse.  $\slash n$

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

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2 only
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1 and 3 only
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c. 1, 2 and 4 only
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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  $\space{\space{1.5}\s$
- 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 n
- 2. It is a single-stage, solid-fuelled missile n
- 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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1 and 2 only
2 and 3 only
1 and 3 only
1 and 3 only
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)  $_{\n}$
- 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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Algeria is the largest country in Africa. DRC is the second largest.

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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.

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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