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Q.1) Consider the following statements with respect to FDI and India.

- 1. India was ranked as the top investment destination beating China and USA as per the latest report by financial times.
- 2. Investments in sectors that are under the automatic route require FIPB approval.
- 3. Currently 98 per cent FDI into India comes through automatic route.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

Q.1) Solution (b)

- In 2015, India was for the first time the leading country in the world for FDI, overtaking the US (which had \$59.6 billion of Greenfield (FDI) and China (\$56.6 billion).
- Of the top 10 destination states for FDI in 2015, India claims five places, with the top place going to Gujarat, which attracted \$12.4 billion. Maharashtra has been one of the strongest performers across the years attracting \$8.3 billion, respectively, in 2015. Investments in sectors that are not under the automatic route require FIPB approval.
- Currently nearly 98 per cent FDI into India comes through automatic route.
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Q.2) Recently Obama sought cooperation of Gulf members to fight against ISIS at Gulf cooperation council(GCC). Consider the following states with respect to Gulf cooperation council.

- 1. GCC is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union consisting of all Arab states of the Persian Gulf, including Iraq.
- 2. USA is the only non-Gulf country to be the member of GCC.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q.2) Solution (d)

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- GCC is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union consisting of all Arab states of the Persian Gulf, except for Iraq. Its member states are Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.
- Iraq is the only Arab country bordering the Persian Gulf that is not a member of the council. The associate membership of Iraq was discontinued in 1990 after its invasion of Kuwait in the Gulf War.
- USA is not a member of the GCC.
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Q.3) Consider the following statements with respect to Earth Day.

- 1. Earth Day is an annual event, on which day events worldwide are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection.
- 2. "Trees for the Earth" is the theme of 2016 Earth day.
- 3. Earth hour is observed on all places on earth, this day by turning of the lights for one hour from 830PM to 930PM local time.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

Q.3) Solution (a)

- Earth Day is an annual event, celebrated on April 22, on which day events worldwide are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It was first celebrated in 1970, and is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network, and celebrated in more than 193 countries each year.
- Trees for the earth is the theme of 2016 world earth day.
- Earth day is different from earth hour which is celebrated on March 19th every year.
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Q.4) Consider the following statements with respect to Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease

- 1. Creutzfeldt–Jakob is a degenerative neurological disorder that is incurable and invariably fatal.
- 2. CJD is at times called a human form of mad cow disease (bovine spongiform encephalopathy or BSE).
- 3. Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) is caused by an abnormal infectious protein in the brain called a prion.

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Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

Q.4) Solution (d)

- Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease and its variants belong to a broad group of human and animal diseases known as transmissible spongiform encephalopathies (TSEs). The name derives from the spongy holes, visible under a microscope, that develop in affected brain tissue.
- The cause of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease and other TSEs appears to be abnormal versions of a kind of protein called a prion. Normally these proteins are harmless. But when they're misshapen, they become infectious and can harm normal biological processes.
- The risk of CJD is low. The disease can't be transmitted through coughing or sneezing, touching or sexual contact. The three ways it develops are:
- Sporadically. Most people with classic CJD develop the disease for no apparent reason. Termed spontaneous CJD or sporadic CJD, this type accounts for the majority of cases.
- By inheritance. In the United States, about 5 to 10 percent of people with CJD have a family
 history of the disease or test positive for a genetic mutation associated with CJD. This type is
 referred to as familial CJD.
- By contamination. A small number of people have developed CJD after being exposed to
 infected human tissue during a medical procedure, such as a cornea or skin transplant. Also,
 because standard sterilization methods do not destroy abnormal prions, a few people have
 developed CJD after undergoing brain surgery with contaminated instruments.
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Q.5) Consider the following statements with respect to pulse pricing.

- 1. Persuading traders to reduce their sales prices
- 2. Distributing imported pulses through PDS at subsidized prices
- 3. Stringent action against hoarders
- 4. Crop diversification
- 5. Expanding pulse area

Which of the following statements can be used as long term measures to reduce the pulse prices?

- a) 1,2,3 only
- b) 2,3,5 only
- c) 4,5 only
- d) 1,3,5

Q.5) Solution (c)

- Crop Diversification, expanding pulse area, more R&D in improving new variety of seeds etc are some of the long term measures that can be taken to improve the pulse production.
- On the other hand stringent action against hoarders, distributing imported pulses through PDA at subsidized prices, and persuading traders to reduce to pulse prices are some of the long term measures that can be taken to increase the pulse availability.
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