Q.1) Asian development bank recently expressed its interest in enhancing its lending rate to India. Consider the following statements with respect to Asian Development bank

- 1. Asian development bank is a regional bank consisting of members only from Asian Region
- 2. It is headquartered at Manila, Philippines
- 3. The Global Financial stability report is not released by Asian Development Bank

Select the correct option

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

Q.1) Solution (b)

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Q.2) The 155th birth anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore is being celebrated all over India. With respect to that consider the following

- 1. Rabindranath Tagore is the first Non-European to win the Nobel Prize in 1913
- 2. Gora is a work composed by Rabindranath Tagore.
- 3. Rabindranath Tagore founded Shantiniketan.

Select the incorrect one

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (d)

- Gitanjali, Gora, Ghare-Baire, Jana Gana Mana, Rabindra Sangeet, Amar Shonar Bangla (other works) are some of the works composed by Rabindranath Tagore.
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Q.3) Consider the following

- 1. Badrinath
- 2. Dwarka

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- 3. Tirupathi
- 4. Puri
- 5. Rameshwaram

Which of the above pilgrimage constitute the famous "Char Dham" Yatra

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

Q.3) Solution (a)

- Char Dham are the names of four pilgrimage sites in India that are widely revered by Hindus. It comprises Badrinath, Dwarka, Puri and Rameswaram. It is considered highly sacred by Hindus to visit Char Dham during one's lifetime. The Char Dham defined by Adi Shankaracharya consists of three Vaishnavite and one Shaivite pilgrimages.
- The other pilgrimages sites in the Indian state of Uttarakhand viz. Yamunotri, Gangotri, Kedarnath, and Badrinath were known as Chota Char Dham to differentiate them from the bigger circuit of Char Dham sites, but after the mid-20th century they have been also referred to as the Char Dham.
- The question may be confused by giving chota chardham pilgrimage sites in options. So students are advised to remember all 8 chardham sites.

Q.4) The Birthday celebrations of Maharana Pratap was in news recently. Maharana Pratap is associated with which of the following battle in the history of medieval India.

- a) Battle of Haldighati
- b) Battle of Chausa
- c) Battle of Begram
- d) Battle of Kanauj

Q.4) Solution (a)

• Battle of Haldighati was fought between Akbar and Maharana Pratap Singh.

Q.5) Which of the following countries cannot be affected by tropical cyclones?

- 1. Philippines
- 2. Australia
- 3. Latvia
- 4. United Kingdom

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5. Morocco

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

Q.5) Solution (b)

• Latvia, Morocco, and United Kingdom come under Mediterranean climate.

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