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Q.1) Recently the National Green Tribunal gave its nod for Vizhinjam seaport project. Where is that port located?

- a) Kerala
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Andaman & Nicobar
- d) Andhra Pradesh

Q.1) Solution (a)

The Vizhinjam International Seaport is located at Arabian Sea in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. The port is owned by Government of Kerala.

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/green-tribunal-nod-for-vizhinjam-seaport-project/article9067556.ece

Q.2) Consider the following statements with respect to Vietnam

- 1. It is a member of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation
- 2. It borders with Laos, Thailand and Cambodia

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (a)

The members of Mekong-Ganga Cooperation are India, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam

It does not border with Thailand

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/news/modi-in-vietnam-indiavietnam-sign-bilateral-agreements/article9069066.ece

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Q.3) Recently Sagarmala Development Company was incorporated by GOI. Consider the following statements

- 1. It has been incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013
- 2. It is concerned with the development of ports

Select the correct statement(s)

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

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Q.3) Solution (c)

As part of the efforts to promote port-led development in the country, the Sagarmala Development Company (SDC) has been incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013. The company will have an initial Authorized Share Capital of Rs. 1,000 Crore and a subscribed share capital of Rs. 90 Crore

In News - http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=149444

Q.4) Consider the following statements:

- 1. NDRF has been established under Disaster Management Act, 2005
- 2. It is the only dedicated disaster response force of the world

Select the correct option/s:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Q.4) Solution (c)

Note: NDRF functions under the aegis of Union Ministry of Home Affairs.

Q.5) World leaders are at the annual G20 economic summit, which is being hosted in China for the first time. Consider the following statements in regard to G20:

- 1. The Group of Twenty (G20) comprises 19 countries plus the European Union.
- 2. The G20 was started in 2008 in the aftermath of the global financial crisis.
- The G8 seeks cooperation on economic issues facing the major industrial economies, while the G20 reflects the wider interests of both developed and emerging economies.

Which of the above given statement(s) is/are correct?

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

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d) 3 only

Q.5) Solution (a)

The Group of Twenty (G20) is an international forum that brings together the world's leading industrialised and emerging economies.

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The G20 started in 1999 as a meeting of Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors in the aftermath of the Asian financial crisis. In 2008, the first G20 Leaders' Summit was held, and the group played a key role in responding to the global financial crisis. Its decisive and coordinated actions boosted consumer and business confidence and supported the first stages of economic recovery.

The G8 seeks cooperation on economic issues facing the major industrial economies, while the G20 reflects the wider interests of both developed and emerging economies.

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/g20-summit-g20-needs-to-be-an-action-team-says-xi-jinping/article9072596.ece

