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Q.1) Consider the following statements about Janani Surkasha Yojana (JSY)

- 1. It is a safe motherhood intervention under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)
- 2. The scheme is for all states having institutional delivery of 25% or less
- 3. It was launched by modifying the National Maternity Benefit Scheme (NMBS)

Select the correct statements

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 2 and 3
- d) All of the above

Q.1) Solution (b)

Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY) is a safe motherhood intervention under the National Rural Health Mission (NHM). It is being implemented with the objective of reducing maternal and neonatal mortality by promoting institutional delivery among poor pregnant women. The scheme is under implementation in all states and Union Territories (UTs), with a special focus on Low Performing States (LPS).

States are classified into Low Performing States and High Performing States on the basis of institutional delivery rate i.e. states having institutional delivery 25% or less were termed as Low Performing States (LPS) and those which have institutional delivery rate more than 25% were classified as High Performing States (HPS). Accordingly, eight erstwhile EAG states namely Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan, Odisha and the states of Assam & Jammu & Kashmir were classified as Low Performing States. The remaining States were grouped into High Performing States.

Janani Suraksha Yojana was launched in April 2005 by modifying the National Maternity Benefit Scheme (NMBS).

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/data/janani-suraksha-yojana-pays-dividends-study/article9204743.ece

Q.2) Recently India's first International Arbitration centre was set up in

- a) New Delhi
- b) Gurgaon
- c) Mumbai

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d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (c)

In News - http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-news-india/first-international-arbitration-centre-comes-up-in-mumbai-3072913/

Q.3) Recently Hubble Space Telescope (HST) has detected Great Balls of Fire (GBF) near a red giant. Consider the following statements

- 1. Red giants are stars that are nearing the end of their fuel supplies and have begun to puff up and expand
- 2. HST is a space telescope launched by NASA in collaboration with European Space Agency

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q.3) Solution (c)

The Great Balls of Fire (GBF) are mysterious, super-hot blobs of gas which were detected by the Hubble Space Telescope over the weekend. Each as massive as planet Mars and zooming so fast through space that they would travel from earth to the moon in 30 minutes, the GBF have continued once every 8.5 years for at least the past 400 years. The fireballs present a puzzle to astronomers. The gas balls were observed near a red giant called V Hydrae, about 1,200 light years away from earth. 'Red giants are stars that are nearing the end of their fuel supplies and have begun to puff up and expand.

HST is a space telescope that was launched in 1990 by NASA in collaboration with European Space Agency.

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/science/demystifying-science-great-balls-of-fire/article9202474.ece

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Q.4) Consider the following statements about National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Yojana (HRIDAY)

- 1. It was launched by Ministry of Culture
- 2. It is a central sector scheme which will be 100% funded by Government of India

Which of the following statements is are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q.4) Solution (b)

HRIDAY is a central sector scheme, where 100% funding will be provided by Government of India.

Launched by: Ministry of Urban Development

In News: http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/in-urban-mission-team-venkaiah-to-hand-hold-states-through-problems/articleshow/54786335.cms

Q.5) Which of the following are correctly matched?

Festival	State
1. Durga puja	West Bengal
2. Onam	Kerala
3. Ugadi	Punjab

Select the code from below

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2
- c) 2 and 3
- d) All of the above

Q.5) Solution (b)

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Ugadi is celebrated in Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Telangana. It is a harvest festival and also celebrated as a new year in these states.

