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Q.1) Demchok region is in which of the following states?

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Jammu & Kashmir
- d) None of the above

Q.1) Solution (c)

In News - http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/armys-demchok-mission-a-success/article9312345.ece

Q.2) Global Business Optimism Index is released by

- a) World Bank
- b) World Economic Forum
- c) World Trade Organisation
- d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (d)

According to the most recent Grant Thornton International Business Report, India improved its ranking by one spot in a global index of business optimism, ranking second during the third quarter (July-September 2016). Through the April-June period, India was placed third on the list.

In News - <a href="http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/economy/indicators/with-gst-on-its-way-india-rises-to-second-spot-on-global-biz-optimism-index/articleshow/55277143.cms?utm_source=contentofinterest&utm_modium=text&utm_campaign=cppst

Q.3) Grey hounds have been in news recently, they are

- a) Suicide bombers
- b) Coastal guards
- c) Anti-naxal force
- d) Police dogs used in detecting bombs

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Q.3) Solution (c)

Guerrilla war-fare- They are specially trained for deep forest pursuit and combat.

Q.4) India is a member of which of the following Multilateral Export Control Regime (MECR)?

- a) Wassenaar Arrangement
- b) Nuclear Suppliers Group
- c) Missile Technology Control Regime
- d) None of the above

Q.4) Solution (c)

Established in April 1987, the voluntary Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) aims to limit the spread of ballistic missiles and other unmanned delivery systems that could be used for chemical, biological, and nuclear attacks. The regime urges its 35 members,1 which include most of the world's key missile manufacturers, to restrict their exports of missiles and related technologies capable of carrying a 500-kilogram payload at least 300 kilometres or delivering any type of weapon of mass destruction.

The Wassenaar Arrangement on Export Controls for Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies

The Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG), for the control of nuclear related technology

The Australia Group (AG) for control of chemical and biological technology that could be weaponized

The Missile Technology Control Regime for the control of rockets and other aerial vehicles capable of delivering weapons of mass destruction

Q.5) Gurgaon is renamed as Gurugram now. According to the Indian Constitution which of the following Article was invoked by the Parliament to make the necessary changes?

- a) Article 2
- b) Article 3
- c) Both (a) and (b)

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d) Article 1

Q.5) Solution (b)

Article 2 empowers the Parliament to 'admit into the Union of India, or establish, new states on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit'. Thus, Article 2 grants two powers to the Parliament: (a) the power to admit into the Union of India new states; and (b) the power to establish new states. The first refers to the admission of states which are already in existence while the second refers to the establishment of states which were not in existence before. Notably, Article 2 relates to the admission or establishment of new states that are not part of the Union of India.

Article 3, on the other hand, relates to the formation of or changes in the existing states of the Union of India. In other words, Article 3 deals with the internal re-adjustment inter se of the territories of the constituent states of the Union of India.

Article 3 authorises the Parliament to:

- a) form a new state by separation of territory from any state or by uniting two or more states or parts of states or by uniting any territory to a part of any state,
- b) increase the area of any state,
- c) diminish the area of any state,
- d) alter the boundaries of any state, and
- e) alter the name of any state.

