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Q.1) Consider the following statements about SWAYAM platform

- 1. It is an Information Technology platform which will host Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) for Under Graduate and Post Graduate students only
- 2. It is indigenously developed by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)

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.1) Solution (b)

SWAYAM platform is indigenously developed by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) with the help of Microsoft and would be ultimately capable of hosting 2000 courses and 80000 hours of learning: covering school, under-graduate, post-graduate, engineering, law and other professional courses.

In News - http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=157839

Q.2) Global Education Monitoring Report is released by

- a) International Baccalaureate
- b) UNESCO
- c) Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)
- d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (b)

In News - http://pib.nic.in/newsite/erelcontent.aspx?relid=155098

Q.3) Recently 'DARPGSEVA' was in news. It is

- a) Anti-ballistic missile jointly developed by India and Israel
- b) Genome editing technique

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- c) Rocket launcher by SpaceX
- d) None of the above

Q.3) Solution (d)

It is a Twitter Seva initiative of the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG), Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.

The Twitter Seva aims to address issues relating to the DARPG like Public Grievances and Administrative Reforms etc.

The Twitter Seva will enable the DARPG to reach out to the common public and various stakeholders for facilitating redress of grievances and other issues of importance relating to the department.

In News - http://www.business-standard.com/article/government-press-release/darpg-starts-darpgseva-to-address-issues-related-to-public-grievances-and-117020101086 1.html

Q.4) Recently Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation announced that 'Water Day' will be celebrated on "X personality's" birthday. Who is that personality?

- a) Dr. B R Ambedkar
- b) Lal Bahadur Shastri
- c) Mahatma Gandhi
- d) Vallabhbhai Patel

Q.4) Solution (a)

Lauding the contribution of Dr. B R Ambedkar in water resources management of the country Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation Sushri Uma Bharti has announced that his birth day 14th April will be celebrated as "Water Day".

In News - http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=154953

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Q.5) Consider the following statements about National Career Service (NCS) Portal

- 1. It is implemented by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- 2. National Employment Service comprising a network of 978 Employment Exchanges has been transformed into National Career Service (NCS) by leveraging information technology to improve the delivery of services.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

Q.5) Solution (a)

National Career Service (NCS) Project for transformation of the National Employment Service to provide a variety of employment related services like job matching, career counselling, vocational guidance, information on skill development courses. Launched by Ministry of Labour and Employment.

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- NCS portal provides a nation-wide online platform for jobseekers and employers for job matching in a dynamic, efficient and responsive manner.
- The NCS will make available a rich repository of career content about 3000 occupations across 53 sectors.
- States have been requested to publicize usage of the of the NCS portal for posting vacancies and job matching

In News - http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=154498