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Q.1) Which of the following states shares its border with Nepal

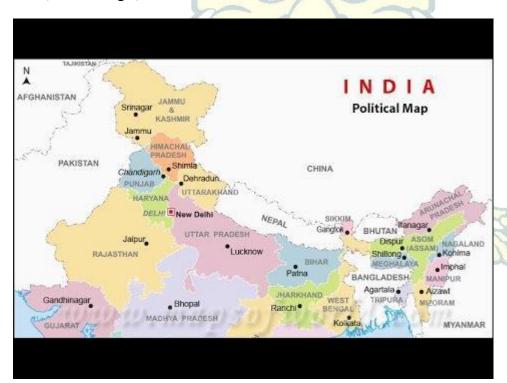
- 1. Arunachal Pradesh
- 2. Assam
- 3. Bihar
- 4. West Bengal
- 5. Sikkim

Select the correct code:

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

Q.1) Solution (a)

The five Indian states that share a land border with Nepal are Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, and Sikkim.



Q.2) Which of the following is/are correctly matched?

a) CNG - Methane

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- b) LPG Propane
- c) Both (a) and (b)
- d) Neither (a) nor (b)

Q.2) Solution (c)

CNG is made by compressing natural gas (which is mainly composed of methane, CH4), to less than 1 percent of the volume it occupies at standard atmospheric pressure.

Liquefied petroleum gas or liquid petroleum gas (LPG or LP gas), also referred to as simply propane or butane, are flammable mixtures of hydrocarbon gases used as fuel in heating appliances, cooking equipment, and vehicles. Varieties of LPG bought and sold include mixes that are mostly propane (C3H8), mostly butane (C4H10) and, most commonly, mixes including both propane and butane.

Q.3) Ghantasala will be developed as a major Buddhist destination and it will be themed on Mahaparinirvana of the Buddha. 'Mahaparinirvana' signifies

- a) Renunciation
- b) Buddha's first sermon
- c) Search of Truth
- d) Liberation

Q.3) Solution (d)

The Buddhist term, "Mahaparinirvana", meaning "great, complete Nirvana" is also encountered. The word "Mahaparinirvana" usually refers to the ultimate state of Nirvana (everlasting, highest peace and happiness) entered by an Awakened Being (Buddha) or "arhat" at the moment of physical death, when the mundane skandhas (constituent elements of the ordinary body and mind) are shed and only the Buddhic skandhas remain (this in Mahayana Buddhism). However, it can also refer (in the Mahayana) to the same inner spiritual state reached during a Buddha's physical lifetime too. In the Mahayana Buddhist scripture entitled the "Mahayana Mahaparinirvana Sutra", the Buddha teaches that unlike "ordinary" Nirvana, "Mahaparinirvana" is the highest state or realm realised by a perfect Buddha, a state in which that Buddhic being awakens to "the Eternal, Bliss, the Self, and the Pure". Only in Mahaparinirvana is this True Self ("atman") of the Buddha said to be fully discernible.

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The parinirvana of Gautama Buddha is depicted in the Mahaparinibbana Sutta and the Mahaparinirvana Sutra.

Source: http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/andhra-pradesh/70-ft-budha-statue-to-adorn-tourist-project-in-ghantasala/article19530530.ece

Q.4) Hamas, is a Islamic fundamentalist organization from

- a) Syria
- b) Palestine
- c) Nigeria
- d) Yemen

Q.4) Solution (b)

It is a Palestinian Sunni-Islamic fundamentalist organization. It has been the de facto governing authority of the Gaza Strip since its takeover of that area in 2007. During this period it fought several wars with Israel. It is regarded, either in whole or in part, as a terrorist organization by several countries and international organizations, most notably by Israel, the United States and the European Union.

Source: http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/hamas-dissolves-gaza-administration-in-palestinian-unity-bid/article19703176.ece

Q.5) Bezbaruah Committee is concerned with

- a) Police reforms
- b) Caste discrimination
- c) Communal Violence
- d) Racial discrimination

Q.5) Solution (d)

Bezbaruah Committee Report recommends on racial discrimination of Northeast Indians in metros.

The Bezbaruah Committee Report headed by M.P. Bezbaruah, Member, North Eastern Council, was set up in February 2014 after the death of Nido Tania. The Committee's

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mandate was to listen to the issues raised by people from Northeast India living especially in the metro cities. The committee was also asked to suggest measures which could be implemented by the government of India. The Committee filed its report with Ministry of Home Affairs on July 11, 2014.

Source: http://www.thehindu.com/opinion/op-ed/diversity-in-delhi-police/article19535446.ece

