

IASbaba's Daily Quiz

September 8, 2016

Q.1) PRABAL DOSTYK is a joint military exercise between India and which of the following countries?

- a) Uzbekistan
- b) Kazakhstan
- c) Kyrgyzstan
- d) Afghanistan

Q.1) Solution (b)

As a part of India's continued efforts to strengthen Indo-Kazakhstan relations, troops of Indian & Kazakhstan Army are presently engaging in a joint exercise 'PRABAL DOSTYK – 16'. The Indian Army is being represented by a platoon strength. The Kazakhstan Army contingent comprise of platoon from Special Operating Force's Unit. A pioneering endeavor with the Kazakhstan Army, the exercise is being conducted in Karaganda region of Kazakhstan and will conclude on 17 Sep 2016.

In News - <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=149599>

Q.2) 2016 marks the 50th anniversary of International Literacy Day (ILD)

- 1. The theme for ILD-2016 is Literacy and Sustainable Societies
- 2. It was established by UNESCO

Select the correct statement(s)

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

Q.2) Solution (b)

The International Literacy Day is being observed 08 September every year to emphasize the importance of literacy to individuals, society and communities.

The day was established in 1966 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

2016 Theme: 'Reading the Past, Writing the Future'.

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Q.3) Cauvery water dispute has been a bone of contention between Karnataka and Tamil Nadu for decades now. Consider the below statements in regard to inter-state water disputes and select the incorrect statement(s):

- a) Constitution of India provides for the adjudication of inter-state water disputes.
- b) Inter-State Water Disputes Act (1956) empowers the Central government to establish a river board on the request of the state governments concerned to advise them.
- c) Inter-State Water Disputes Act also empowers the Central government to set up an ad hoc tribunal for the adjudication of a dispute between two or more states in relation to the waters of an inter-state river or river valley.
- d) Both (b) and (c)

Q.3) Solution (b)

INTER-STATE WATER DISPUTES

Article 262 of the Constitution provides for the adjudication of inter-state water disputes. It makes two provisions:

Parliament may by law provide for the adjudication of any dispute or complaint with respect to the use, distribution and control of waters of any inter-state river and river valley.

Parliament may also provide that neither the Supreme Court nor any other court is to exercise jurisdiction in respect of any such dispute or complaint.

Under this provision, the Parliament has enacted two laws [the **River Boards Act (1956)** and the **Inter-State Water Disputes Act (1956)**].

The **River Boards Act** provides for the establishment of **river boards** (*not Inter-State Water Disputes Act*) for the regulation and development of inter-state river and river valleys. A river board is established by the Central government on the request of the state governments concerned to advise them.

The **Inter-State Water Disputes Act** empowers the Central government to set up an **ad hoc tribunal** for the adjudication of a dispute between two or more states in relation to the waters of an inter-state river or river valley.

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The decision of the tribunal would be final and binding on the parties to the dispute. Neither the Supreme Court nor any other court is to have jurisdiction in respect of any water dispute which may be referred to such a tribunal under this Act.

In News: <http://indianexpress.com/article/india/india-news-india/cauvery-water-dispute-all-you-need-to-know-karnataka-tamil-nadu-3016736/>

Q.4) Which one of the following countries is not a member of the Nordic Council?

Select one:

- a) Iceland
- b) Denmark
- c) United Kingdom
- d) Norway

Q.4) Solution (c)

Nordic Council –

Iceland, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Sweden



Q.5) The lowering of bank rate by the reserve bank of India leads to

- a) Mobilization of more deposits by commercial banks
- b) More liquidity in the market
- c) Less liquidity in the market
- d) No change in the liquidity in the market

Q.5) Solution (b)

Lower bank rates = More liquidity in the market