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Q.1) Consider the following statements about Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)

1. It is an international non-governmental organisation, mandated to ensure the practical realisation of human rights in the countries of the Commonwealth
2. It is headquartered in Accra, Ghana

Select the correct statements

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

Q.1) Solution (a)

The Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI) is an independent, non-partisan, international non-governmental organisation, mandated to ensure the practical realisation of human rights in the countries of the Commonwealth. In 1987, several Commonwealth associations founded CHRI because they felt that while the member countries had both a common set of values and legal principles from which to work and a forum within which to promote human rights, there was relatively little focus on human rights issues.

CHRI's objectives are to promote awareness of and adherence to the Harare Commonwealth Declaration, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and other internationally recognised human rights instruments, as well as domestic instruments supporting human rights in Commonwealth member states.

In 1993 CHRI was established in New Delhi.

In News - http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ani/district-administration-seeks-to-make-kupwara-a-model-rti-district-117030200818_1.html

Q.2) Consider the following statements about Lake Baikal

1. It is the largest freshwater lake by volume in the world
2. It is an UNESCO World Heritage Site

Select the correct statements

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2

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- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q.2) Solution (c)

Lake Baikal is a rift lake in Russia, located in southern Siberia, between Irkutsk Oblast to the northwest and the Buryat Republic to the southeast. Lake Baikal is the largest freshwater lake by volume in the world, containing roughly 20% of the world's unfrozen surface fresh water. It is the seventh-largest lake in the world by surface area. Baikal is the world's deepest lake. The lake was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1996.

In News - <http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/from-siberia-to-lanzhou-via-pipeline/article17449163.ece>

Q.3) Which of the following coral reefs is experiencing an unprecedented second straight year of mass coral bleaching?

- a) Red Sea Coral Reef – Red Sea
- b) Tubbataha Reefs – Cagayancillo, Philippines
- c) New Caledonia Barrier Reef – New Caledonia
- d) Great Barrier Reef – Australia

Q.3) Solution (d)

The 2,300-km reef suffered its most severe bleaching on record last year due to warming sea temperatures during March and April. Australia's Great Barrier Reef is experiencing an unprecedented second straight year of mass coral bleaching.

In News - <http://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-national/a-mass-coral-bleaching-again/article17444664.ece>

Q.4) 'Mission Fingerling' is concerned with which of the following ministries?

- a) Ministry of External Affairs
- b) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
- c) Ministry of Food Processing Industries
- d) Ministry of Earth Sciences

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Q.4) Solution (b)

The Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare launched Mission Fingerling, a programme aimed at achieving the Blue Revolution by enabling holistic development and management of fisheries.

In News - <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=159159>

Q.5) Consider the following statements about Global Maritime Energy Efficiency Partnership (GloMEEP) project

1. The Global Environment Facility provides the funding for the GloMEEP project along with co-financing from countries and other international partners
2. The United Nations Development Programme is responsible for implementing the GloMEEP project
3. The International Maritime Organization is executing the GloMEEP project through the Project Coordination Unit
4. India is one of the Lead Pilot Countries (LPCs) of the GloMEEP project

Select the correct statements

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 2, 3 and 4
- c) 1, 3 and 4
- d) All of the above

Q.5) Solution (d)

GloMEEP is a GEF-UNDP-IMO project aimed at supporting the uptake and implementation of energy efficiency measures for shipping, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions from shipping.

The GloMEEP Project is being executed by a dedicated Project Coordination Unit (PCU) established within the Marine Environment Division of IMO. IMO is a specialized agency responsible for safe, secure and efficient shipping and the prevention of pollution from ships.

GloMEEP supports ten Lead Pilot Countries of the project to implement these measures, through:

1. Legal, policy and institutional reforms

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2. Awareness raising and capacity-building activities
3. Establishment of public-private partnerships to encourage technology transfer

The Lead Pilot Countries (LPCs) of the GloMEEP project are:

- Argentina, China, Georgia, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, Morocco, Panama, Philippines and South Africa.

In News - <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=159029>



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