

Q.1) Mahadayi River flows through which of the following states?

1. Karnataka
2. Goa
3. Maharashtra

Select the correct code:

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

Q.1) Solution (a)

The Mahadayi/Mandovi River, also known as Mahadayi or Mhadei river, is described as the lifeline of the Indian state of Goa. The river has a length of 77 kilometres (48 miles), 29 kilometres (18 miles) in Karnataka and 52 kilometres (32 miles) in Goa. It originates from a cluster of 30 springs at Bhimgad in the Western Ghats in the Belagavi district of Karnataka. The river has a 2,032 km² catchment area in Karnataka and a 1,580 km² catchment area in Goa. With its cerulean waters, Dudhsagar Falls and Varapoha Falls, it is also known as the Gomati in a few places. The Mandovi and the Zuari are the two primary rivers in the state of Goa.

Source: <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/goa-chief-minister-manohar-parrikar-softened-stand-on-mahadayi-water-dispute/articleshow/62277657.cms>

Q.2) Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs) is under the aegis of

- a) Ministry of Human Resource Development
- b) Ministry of Science and Technology
- c) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- d) None of the above

Q.2) Solution (d)

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NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), Government of India's flagship program to promote innovation and entrepreneurship nationwide in schools, universities and industry, has selected additional 1500 Schools for establishment of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs).

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) was launched by the NITI Ayog as an innovation promotion platform involving academics, entrepreneurs, and researchers utilizing national and international experience to promote the culture of innovation, R and D in India particularly in technology oriented areas.

The AIM along with Self-Employment and Talent Utilization (SETU) are Government of India's the leading ventures to promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship.

Source: <http://pib.nic.in/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?PRID=1514076>

Q.3) Beans of *Cassia occidentalis*, locally known as 'bada chakunda' is associated with

- a) Japanese Encephalitis (JE)
- b) Multiple sclerosis (MS)
- c) Parkinson's disease
- d) Epilepsy

Q.3) Solution (a)

Source: <http://www.thehindu.com/opinion/editorial/the-diagnostic-lens-encephalitis/article22288594.ece>

Read More - <http://www.thehindu.com/news/national/other-states/%E2%80%98Bada-chakunda%E2%80%99-may-have-caused-JE-say-medical-experts/article16448180.ece>

Q.4) What is 'Nirmal Gram Puraskar'?

- a) It is an incentive scheme for schools in the villages for computer education.
- b) It is an incentive scheme of scholarships for the single girl child in families in villages.
- c) It is an incentive scheme for Panchayati Raj Institutions.
- d) It is an incentive scheme of scholarships for female sportspersons from villages who represent their states in any game.

Q.4) Solution (c)

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The "Nirmal Gram Puraskar" "Clean Village Award" was started in 2005 under Total Sanitation Campaign (TSC) to honor, felicitate and encourage those Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) which have achieved full sanitation coverage in their area of operation and become Open Defecation Free and clean villages, for making TSC into a mass movement.

Source: <http://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Hyderabad/human-intervention-reverses-fluorosis/article19875324.ece>

Q.5) Who among the following wrote "The Communist Manifesto" along with Karl Marx?

- a) Friedrich Engels
- b) Max Weber
- c) Emile Durkheim
- d) Robert Owen

Q.5) Solution (a)

The Communist Manifesto (originally Manifesto of the Communist Party) is an 1848 political pamphlet by German philosophers Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels. Commissioned by the Communist League and originally published in London (in German as Manifest der Kommunistischen Partei) just as the revolutions of 1848 began to erupt, the Manifesto was later recognised as one of the world's most influential political documents. It presents an analytical approach to the class struggle (historical and then-present) and the problems of capitalism and the capitalist mode of production, rather than a prediction of communism's potential future forms.

The Communist Manifesto summarises Marx and Engels' theories about the nature of society and politics, that in their own words, "The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggles". It also briefly features their ideas for how the capitalist society of the time would eventually be replaced by socialism.