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Q.1) Consider the following statements

- 1. Ischemic stroke occurs when a blood vessel carrying blood to the brain is blocked by a blood clot.
- 2. 'PEGylated Streptokinase' is CSIR's patented clot buster.

Select the correct statements

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

Q.1) Solution (c)

A new Clot buster, PEGylated Streptokinase - a Novel Biological Entity is developed CSIR-Institute of Microbial Technology (CSIR-IMTECH), Chandigarh.

It is set to revolutionize the treatment of ischemic strokes. Ischemic stroke is a condition caused by a dysfunction in the supply of blood to the brain due to emboli, thrombus or atherosclerosis occurring in cerebral arteries.

Source: http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=181847

Q.2) Which of the following countries are members of the East African Community (EAC)?

- 1. Nigeria
- 2. Tanzania
- 3. Uganda
- 4. Rwanda

Select the correct code:

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

Q.2) Solution (b)

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The East African Community (EAC) is a regional intergovernmental organisation of 6 Partner States: the Republics of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, the United Republic of Tanzania, and the Republic of Uganda, with its headquarters in Arusha, Tanzania.

Source: <u>https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/columns/refocusing-on-africa-india-relations-strategy-modi-government-5303410/</u>

Q.3) Consider the following statements with respect to Asia–Africa Growth Corridor (AAGC)

- 1. It was launched by India in partnership with the BRICS
- 2. It primarily focuses on Development Cooperation Projects, Quality Infrastructure and Institutional Connectivity, Enhancing Skills, and People-to-People Partnership

Select the correct statements

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

Q.3) Solution (b)

India and Japan institutionalised a dialogue on Africa in 2010. Since then, they have been exploring the possibilities of cooperation in Africa's socio- economic development. However, it was only during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Japan in November 2016 that the idea of the two countries promoting a growth corridor between Asia and Africa was crystallised.

During the Africa Development Bank meeting, India unveiled the Vision Document of the Asian Africa Growth Corridor.8 The vision document was prepared jointly by Indian and Japanese think tanks, i.e. Research and Information Systems for Developing Countries (RIS), Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), and Institute for Development Economics - Japan External Trade Organisation (IDE-JETRO), in consultation with other think tanks in Asia and Africa.

The AAGC would consist of four main components: development and cooperation projects, quality infrastructure and institutional connectivity, capacity and skill enhancement and people-to-people partnerships. These four components as well as four elements or four pillars are complementary to promote growth and all round development in both the continents.

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Q.4) Which of the following operation were launched by Indian Army to rescue and provide relief operation in flood-hit Kerala?

- 1. Operation Madad
- 2. Operation Sahyog
- 3. Operation Raahat

Select the correct code:

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 Only
- c) 1 and 3
- d) 2 and 3

Q.4) Solution (b)

Indian Army has launched Operation Sahyog to rescue people in flood-hit Kerala.

Indian Navy has launched Operation Madad, major rescue and relief operation in flood-hit Kerala.

Operation Raahat was an operation of the Indian Armed Forces to evacuate Indian citizens and foreign nationals from Yemen during the 2015 military intervention by Saudi Arabia and its allies in that country during the Yemeni Crisis.

Source: <u>https://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/operation-madad-and-sahyog-</u> <u>navy-army-turn-saviours-after-kerala-rains-floods/story-x6jfU15puCvGMWQ7ofBrtM.html</u>

Q.5) The term 'Applications Supported by Blocked Amount' is associated with

- a) SIDBI
- b) RBI
- c) EXIM
- d) SEBI

Q.5) Solution (d)

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ASBA (Applications Supported by Blocked Amount) is a process developed by the India's Stock Market Regulator SEBI for applying to IPO.

Source: <u>https://www.business-standard.com/article/markets/sebi-mulls-upi-based-payments-for-ipos-to-reduce-listing-period-to-3-days-118072501112</u> 1.html

