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Q.1) Consider the following statements about 'Kaziranga National Park'

1. It has the largest population of the Wild water buffalo
2. It has been identified as an Important Bird Area by Birdlife International
3. It is a World Heritage Site

Select the correct statements

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

Q.1) Solution (d)

It is a national park in the Golaghat and Nagaon districts of Assam. The sanctuary, which hosts two-thirds of the world's great one-horned rhinoceroses, is a World Heritage Site.

Kaziranga is recognized as an Important Bird Area by BirdLife International for conservation of avifaunal species.

Kaziranga has the largest population of the Wild water buffalo anywhere accounting for about 57% of the world population.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/other-states/in-rhino-country-a-division-to-boost-conservation-efficiency/article24727172.ece>

Q.2) Consider the following statements about 'Gol Gumbaz'

1. It is the mausoleum of Muhammad Adil Shah
2. Its architecture style suggests Timurid and Persian styles

Select the correct statements

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

Q.2) Solution (c)

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Gumbad is situated in Bijapur in the Bijapur District of Karnataka. It is the mausoleum of Muhammad Adil Shah (1626–1656) the seventh Sultan of the Adil Shahi Dynasty of Bijapur (1489–1686). Built by the ruler himself it is a striking edifice in spite of being unfinished. The tomb is a complex of buildings such as a gateway, a Naqqar Khana, a mosque and a sarai located within a large-walled garden.

Gol Gumbad is a fine convergence of many styles located in medieval India. Monumentality, majesty and grandeur, integral aspects of the architectural experience in India, are associated with buildings of Bijapur. While its structural particularities of dome, arches, geometric proportions and load bearing techniques suggest Timurid and Persian styles, it is made of local material and is decorated with surface embellishments popular in the Deccan. Four towers at the corners are reminiscent of turrets attached to mosques such as Qila-i Kuhna Masjid and the Purana Qila in Delhi.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/opinion/columns/shock-and-awe-in-a-mausoleum/article24726821.ece>

Q.3) 'Nongkhylllem Wildlife Sanctuary' is located in which of the following states?

- a) Mizoram
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Manipur
- d) Nagaland

Q.3) Solution (b)

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/science/meghalayan-farms-are-also-bird-habitats/article24725751.ece>

Q.4) 'Parkinson's disease' is a

- a) Condition wherein the blood vessel connecting the pulmonary artery to the proximal descending aorta fails to close after birth
- b) Birth defect where there is incomplete closing of the backbone and membranes around the spinal cord
- c) Birth defect in which the individual has more than the usual number of limbs
- d) None of the above

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Q.4) Solution (d)

Parkinson's disease is a progressive nervous system disorder that affects movement. Symptoms start gradually, sometimes starting with a barely noticeable tremor in just one hand. Tremors are common, but the disorder also commonly causes stiffness or slowing of movement.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/sci-tech/health/an-eye-out-for-parkinsons/article24727539.ece>

Q.5) TROPEX is a defence exercise between

- a) India and Nepal
- b) Nepal and Bhutan
- c) India and Sri Lanka
- d) None of the above

Q.5) Solution (d)

Theatre Readiness Operational Exercise (TROPEX) is an annual inter-service exercise.

Source: <http://www.newindianexpress.com/nation/2018/feb/07/encore-navy-exercise-called-off-1769915.html>

