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Q.1) 'Cobra Gold' is a military exercise between

- a) USA and Russia
- b) Japan and Russia
- c) Russia and China
- d) None of the above

Q.1) Solution (d)

Cobra Gold is an Asia-Pacific military exercise held in Thailand every year. It is the largest Asia-Pacific military exercise held each year, and is among the largest multinational military exercise in which the United States participates.

This is a Thai-American initiative with an aim to improve coordination between the armed forces.

India joined this exercise for the first time in 2016 while China was admitted for the first time in 2015 but was only allowed to participate in humanitarian assistance training.

Q.2) Consider the following statements with respect to ['National Productivity Council \(NPC\)'](#)

1. It is under the administrative control of the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade
2. It is a constituent of the Tokyo-based Asian Productivity Organisation (APO), of which India is a founder member

Select the correct statements

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

Q.2) Solution (c)

National Productivity Council (NPC) is a national level autonomous organization under the administrative control of the Department to promote productivity culture in India.

Established as a registered society in 1958 by the Government of India, it is a tri-partite non-profit organization with equal representation from the government, employers and

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workers' organizations, apart from technical and professional institutions including members from local productivity councils and chamber of commerce on its Governing Body. Besides providing training, consultancy and undertaking research in the area of productivity, NPC also implements the productivity promotion schemes of the Government and carry out the programmes of the Tokyo based Asian Productivity Organization (APO), an inter-governmental body of which the Government of India is a founder member.

Q.3) 'CUTLASS EXPRESS' naval exercise is associated with

- a) Organisation of Islamic Cooperation
- b) Shanghai Cooperation Organization
- c) North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- d) None of the above

Q.3) Solution (d)

Cutlass Express is an exercise sponsored by U.S. Africa Command (USAFRICOM), and conducted by Naval Forces Africa (NAVAF) to assess and improve maritime law enforcement capacity, promote national and regional security in eastern Africa, inform planning and operations, and shape security force assistance (SFA) efforts.

Read More - <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=188260>

Q.4) As part of the 100th Anniversary, ILO is implementing seven centenary initiatives. Which of the following are among those initiatives?

- 1. The Governance Initiative
- 2. The Future of Work Initiative
- 3. The Women at Work Initiative

Select the correct code:

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

Q.4) Solution (d)

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- The future of work initiative
- The end to poverty initiative
- The women at work initiative
- The green initiative
- The standards initiative
- The enterprises initiative
- The governance initiative

Read More - <https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/history/centenary/lang-en/index.htm>

Q.5) 'Sela Pass' is located in

- Jammu and Kashmir
- Sikkim
- Arunachal Pradesh
- Himachal Pradesh

Q.5) Solution (c)

The Sela Pass (more appropriately called Se La, as La means Pass) is a high-altitude mountain pass located on the border between the Tawang and West Kameng Districts of Arunachal Pradesh state in India.

