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Q.1) 'Mount Soputan' is located in

- a) Sumatra
- b) Java
- c) Sulawesi
- d) Papua New Guinea

Q.1) Solution (c)

Soputan is a stratovolcano that rises to an elevation of 1,784m (5,853 ft), and is located on the northern arm of Sulawesi Island in Indonesia. The geologically young and mostly unvegetated cone is primarily constructed of andesite and basalt rock. It sits on the southern rim of the Tondano caldera, which formed in the Quaternary period. The volcano is one of Sulawesi's most active, with 39 confirmed eruptions in the last 600 years. Eruptive activity at Soputan typically consists of pyroclastic flows, lava flows, lava domes and Strombolian-style explosions.

Q.2) Consider the following statements with respect to 'Liancourt Rocks'

1. They are a group of small islets in the Sea of Japan
2. It is disputed between South Korea, Japan, Russia and China

Select the correct code:

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

Q.2) Solution (a)

The Liancourt Rocks are a group of small islets in the Sea of Japan. While South Korea controls the islets, its sovereignty over them is contested by Japan.

Q.3) 'Addu Atoll' was in news recently. Where is it located?

- a) Seychelles
- b) Maldives

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- c) Micronesia
- d) Lakshadweep

Q.3) Solution (b)

Addu Atoll, also known as Seenu Atoll, is the southernmost atoll of the Maldives.

Q.4) 'Project 75' was recently seen in news. It refers to

- a) India's Military Space Programs (ISRO's Vision 2021)
- b) Large-scale civil engineering project that aims to link Indian rivers by a network of reservoirs and canals
- c) An initiative to digitize and archive cultural works by the 75th year of Indian Independence
- d) India's Scorpene submarine programme

Q.4) Solution (b)

Project 75 deals with construction of Indian Navy's Scorpene class stealth submarines.

Under Project 75 India will construct 6 next generation diesel submarines with Air Independent Propulsion System (AIP) technology for the Indian Navy by 2022. The project is undertaken in partnership with French DCNS.

Q.5) In which of the following states is the 'Wangala' Harvest festival celebrated?

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

Q.5) Solution (d)

Garo tribals People of Meghalaya celebrated the harvest festival of Wangala to marks the end of a period of toil for farmers wanting a good output from their fields.

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On the first day of the festival, the people offer their agriculture produce to the Sun God, while on the second day or Kakkat, they will dance Wangala

