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**Q.1) Consider the following statements with respect to 'Security and Growth for All in the Region'**

1. It is an initiative of the 'ASEAN+6'
2. It is the brainchild of India to specifically boost India-ASEAN trade relations
3. It was launched during the 12th ASEAN India Summit

**Select the correct statements**

- a) 1 Only
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 1, 2 and 3
- d) None of the above

**Q.1) Solution (d)**

SAGAR is a term coined by PM Modi in 2015 during his Mauritius visit with a focus on blue economy. It is a maritime initiative which gives priority to Indian Ocean region for ensuring peace, stability and prosperity of India in Indian Ocean region. It is in line with the principles of Indian Ocean Rim Association.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/todays-paper/tp-opinion/values-to-live-by/article27893792.ece>

**Q.2) Which of the following statements with respect to 'National Security Council'?**

1. It is a three member constitutional body.
2. It is headed by the Union Minister of Home Affairs.

**Select the correct statements**

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

**Q.2) Solution (d)**

The National Security Council (NSC) of India is an executive government agency tasked with advising the Prime Minister's Office on matters of national security and strategic interest. It

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was established by the former prime minister of India Atal Bihari Vajpayee in 1998, with Brajesh Mishra as the first National Security Advisor. Prior to the formation of the NSC, these activities were overseen by the Principal Secretary to the preceding Prime Minister.

Besides the National Security Advisor (NSA), the Deputy National Security Advisors (DNSA), the Ministers of Defence, External Affairs, Home, Finance of the Government of India, and the Vice Chairman of the NITI Aayog are members of the National Security Council. Other members may be invited to attend its monthly meetings, as and when required.

The NSC is the apex body of the three-tiered structure of the national security management system in India. The other two tiers are the Strategic Policy Group, and the National Security Advisory Board.

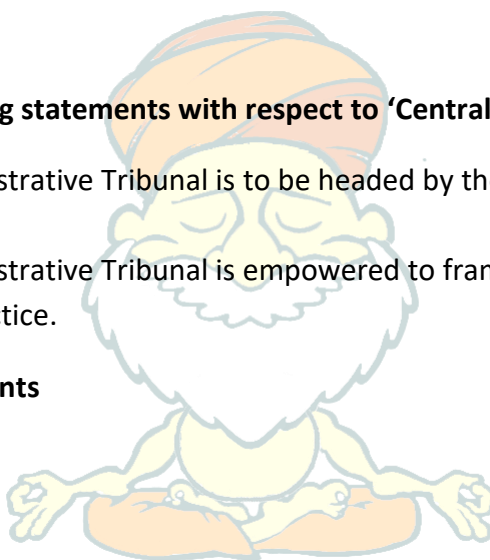
Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/ajit-doval-reappointed-as-national-security-advisor/article27413131.ece>

**Q.3) Consider the following statements with respect to 'Central Administrative Tribunal'**

1. The Central Administrative Tribunal is to be headed by the retired Chief Justice of India.
2. The Central Administrative Tribunal is empowered to frame its own rules of procedure and practice.

**Select the correct statements**

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



**Q.3) Solution (b)**

It was established in 1985 under Section 29 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.

It is a multi-member body consisting of Chairman and members.

The Chairman is normally a retired Chief Justice of the High Court.

The Tribunal is guided by the principles of natural justice in deciding cases and is not bound by the procedure, prescribed by the Civil Procedure Code. The Central Administrative Tribunal is empowered to frame its own rules of procedure and practice.

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Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Delhi/cat-can-exercise-same-powers-as-hc/article27430623.ece>

**Q.4) Which of the following statements is/are correct?**

1. The Puducherry legislature was created through a parliamentary law, based on an enabling provision in Article 239A of the Constitution
2. The Governor of Tamil Nadu is the administrator of the Union Territory of Puducherry

**Select the correct statements**

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

**Q.4) Solution (a)**

The Puducherry legislature was created through a parliamentary law, based on an enabling provision in Article 239A of the Constitution. The Government of Union Territories Act, 1963 provides for a Legislative Assembly of Puducherry with a Council of Ministers to govern the Union Territory of Pondicherry. The same Act also says that the UT will be administered by the President of India through an Administrator (LG). The Centre is represented by the Lt Governor.

Source: <https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/puducherry/sc-issues-notice-to-puducherry-cm-in-power-tussle-matter/article27442882.ece>

**Q.5) 'Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary is located in which of the following states?**

- a) Gujarat
- b) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- c) Bihar
- d) Arunachal Pradesh

**Q.5) Solution (c)**

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India has a sanctuary for conservation of Gangetic Dolphin, Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary, located in Bhagalpur District of Bihar.

