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1. In which of the following regions of India are you most likely to come across the 'Great Indian Hornbill' in its natural habitat?

- a) Sand deserts of northwest India**
- b) Higher Himalayas of Jammu and Kashmir**
- c) Salt marshes of western Gujarat**
- d) Western Ghats**



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2. 'Net metering' is sometimes seen in the news in the context of promoting the

a) production and use of solar energy by the households/consumers

b) use of piped natural gas in the kitchens of households

c) installation of CNG kits in motor- cars

d) installation of water meters in urban households



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3. On which of the following can you find the Bureau of Energy Efficiency Star Label?

- 1. Ceiling fans**
- 2. Electric geysers**
- 3. Tubular fluorescent lamps**

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only**
- (b) 3 only**
- (c) 2 and 3 only**
- (d) 1, 2 and 3**

2016

4. In the cities of our country, which among the following atmospheric gases are normally considered in calculating the value of Air Quality Index?

- 1. Carbon dioxide**
- 2. Carbon monoxide**
- 3. Nitrogen dioxide**
- 4. Sulfur dioxide**
- 5. Methane**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only**
(c) 1, 4 and 5 only

- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only**
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5



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5. Gadgil Committee Report' and 'Kasturirangan Committee Report', sometimes seen in the news, are related to



- (a) constitutional reforms**
- (b) Ganga Action Plan**
- (c) linking of rivers**
- (d) protection of Western Ghats**

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6. What is/are unique about 'Kharai camel', a breed found in India?

- 1. It is capable of swimming up to three kilometres in seawater.**
- 2. It survives by grazing on mangroves.**
- 3. It lives in the wild and cannot be domesticated.**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only**
- (b) 3 only**
- (c) 1 and 3 only**
- (d) 1, 2 and 3**

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7. Which of the following are the key features of 'National Ganga River Basin Authority (NGRBA)'?

1. River basin is the unit of planning and management.

2. It spearheads the river conservation efforts at the national level.

3. One of the Chief Ministers of the States through which the Ganga flows becomes the Chairman of NGRBA on rotation basis.

Select the correct answer using the code given Below.

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3



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- The background of the slide is a light blue gradient with a pattern of diagonal lines. Numerous question marks of various sizes and shades of blue are scattered across the left side of the slide, creating a sense of inquiry or a quiz.
- 1. The term M-STRIPES' is sometimes seen in the news in the context of**
- (a) Captive breeding of Wild Fauna**
 - (b) Maintenance of Tiger Reserves**
 - (c) Indigenous Satellite Navigation System**
 - (d) Security of National Highways**

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2. Recently there was a proposal to translocate some of the lions from their natural habitat in Gujarat to which one of the following sites ?

- (a) Corbett National Park**
- (b) Kuno Palpur Wildlife Sanctuary**
- (c) Mudumalai Wildlife Sanctuary**
- (d) Sariska National Park**

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3. In India, if a species of tortoise is declared protected under Schedule I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, what does it imply ?

(a) It enjoys the same level of protection as the tiger.

(b) It no longer exists in the wild, a few individuals are under captive protection; and now it is impossible to prevent its extinction.

(c) It is endemic to a particular region of India.

(d) Both (b) and (c) stated above are correct in this context.

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4. According to the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, which of the following animals cannot be hunted by any person except under some provisions provided by law?

- 1. Gharial**
- 2. Indian wild ass**
- 3. Wild buffalo**

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only**
- (b) 2 and 3 only**
- (c) 1 and 3 only**
- (d) 1, 2 and 3**

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5. Due to some reasons, if there is a huge fall in the population of species of butterflies, what could be its likely consequence/consequences?

- 1. Pollination of some plants could be adversely affected.**
- 2. There could be a drastic increase in the fungal infections of some cultivated plants.**
- 3. It could lead to a fall in the population of some species of wasps, spiders and birds.**

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only**
- (b) 2 and 3 only**
- (c) 1 and 3 only**
- (d) 1, 2 and 3**

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6. With reference to 'Global Climate Change Alliance', which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. It is an initiative of the European Union.**
- 2. It provides technical and financial support to targeted developing countries to integrate climate change into their development policies and budgets.**
- 3. It is coordinated by World Resources Institute (WRI) and World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD).**

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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| (a) 1 and 2 only | (b) 3 only |
| (c) 2 and 3 only | (d) 1, 2 and 3 |

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7. Biological Oxygen Demand (BOD) is a standard criterion for

- (a) Measuring oxygen levels in blood**
- (b) Computing oxygen levels in forest ecosystems**
- (c) Pollution assay in aquatic ecosystems**
- (d) Assessing oxygen levels in high altitude regions**

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8. Consider the following statements in respect of Trade Related Analysis of Fauna and Flora in Commerce (TRAFFIC):

- 1. TRAFFIC is a bureau under United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).**
- 2. The mission of TRAFFIC is to ensure that trade in wild plants and animals is not a threat to the conservation of nature.**

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only** **(b) 2 only**
(c) Both 1 and 2 **(d) Neither 1 nor 2**

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1. Why is a plant called *Prosopis juliflora* often mentioned in news ?

- a. Its extract is widely used in cosmetics.**
- b. It tends to reduce the biodiversity in the area in which it grows.**
- c. Its extract is used in the synthesis of pesticides.**
- d. None of the above**

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2. Consider the following statements

- 1. Most of the world's coral reefs are in tropical waters.**
- 2. More than one-third of the world's coral reefs are located in the territories of Australia, Indonesia and Philippines.**
- 3. Coral reefs host far more number of animal phyla than those hosted by tropical rainforests.**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- a. 1 and 2 only**
- b. 3 only**
- c. 1 and 3 only**
- d. 1, 2 and 3**

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3. The term “sixth mass extinction/sixth extinction” is often mentioned in the news in the context of the discussion of
- a. Widespread monoculture practices in agriculture and large-scale commercial farming with indiscriminate use of chemicals in many parts of the world that may result in the loss of good native ecosystems.
 - b. Fears of a possible collision of a meteorite with the Earth in the near future in the manner it happened 65 million years ago that caused the mass extinction of many species including those of dinosaurs.
 - c. Large scale cultivation of genetically modified crops in many parts of the world and promoting their cultivation in other parts of the world which may cause the disappearance of good native crop plants and the loss of food biodiversity.
 - d. Mankind’s over-exploitation/misuse of natural resources, fragmentation/loss of natural habitats, destruction of ecosystems, pollution and global climate change.