

Que-1 The Union Cabinet had recently approved the revised policy for railway land, which will

1- The land can be now leased for cargo-related activities for up to 35 years (as against five years earlier) at 6% of market value of land per annum, up from 2% earlier.

2- The move is expected to enable integrated development of infrastructure and more cargo terminals, helping improve revenues for the Railways.

3- Approved to revise the railways' land policy to implement PM Gati Shakti framework (Cargo related activities, Public utilities & Railway's exclusive use).

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-2 Consider the following statements about "Launda Naach"

1- This is a folk dance of the Punjabi speaking Community of India, Nepal, Mauritius and the Caribbean Islands.

2- It is performed by only males who dress as women called "launda".

3- During the wedding ceremony launda dancers are a focal point, leading the groom's entourage to the bride's home.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-3 With reference to Eastern Economic Forum, consider the following statements

1- Organised by the Roscongress Foundation.

2- The purpose of encouraging foreign investment in the Russian Far East.

3- It is an international forum held each year in Moscow, Russia.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-4 Consider the following statements

1- A Vostro account is an account that a correspondent bank holds on behalf of another bank.

2- To settle trade transactions with any country, banks in India would open Vostro accounts of correspondent bank/s of the partner country for trading.

3- Currently, exports or imports by a company are always in a foreign currency,

with exceptions such as Nepal, Sri Lanka and Bhutan.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

- a) 1 and 2 only b) 1 only
c) 1, 2 and 3 d) 2 and 3 only
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Que-5 With reference to India and Bangladesh meeting recently, consider the following statements

1- Establishment of a joint technical committee to conduct a study for optimum utilisation of water received by Bangladesh under the provisions of the Ganges Water Sharing Treaty, 1996.

2- The Ganga Water Sharing Treaty is a 30-year agreement which is expected to be reviewed or renewed in 2026.

3- India and Bangladesh have been in talks for the construction of an Inland Container Depot (ICD) at Sirajganj in the north-west of capital Dhaka and help in movement of bulk items.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

- a) 1 and 2 only b) 3 only
c) 1, 2 and 3 d) 2 and 3 only
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Que-6 Consider the following statements about Corporate social responsibility (CSR)

1- Corporate social responsibility is a business model by which companies make a concerted effort to operate in ways that enhance rather than degrade society and the environment.

2- CSR helps both improve various aspects of society as well as promote a positive brand image of companies.

3- Corporate responsibility programs are also a great way to raise morale in the workplace.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

- a) 2 only b) 1 and 3 only
c) 1, 2 and 3 d) 2 and 3 only
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Que-7 Consider the following statements about Bhitarkanika National Park

1- Located in northeast Kendrapara district in Odisha in eastern India.

2- The area is also been designated as first Ramsar site of the State.

3- The national park and wildlife sanctuary is inundated by the rivers Brahmani, Baitarani, Dhamra, Pathsala.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

ANSWER**Que-8 Consider the following statements about Uniform Civil Code**

1- It is one that would provide for one law for the entire country, applicable to all religious communities in their personal matters such as marriage, divorce, inheritance, adoption etc.

2- Article 50 of the Constitution lays down that the state shall endeavour to secure a Uniform Civil Code for the citizens throughout the territory of India.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

1- (d)

- The land can be now leased for cargo-related activities for up to 35 years (as against five years earlier) at 1.5% of market value of land per annum, down from 6% earlier.
- Additionally, 300 cargo terminals would be developed over next five years and about 1.2 lakh employment would be generated. The existing entities using railway land for cargo terminals will have the option to switch to the new policy regime after transparent and competitive bidding process.
- The move is also expected to speed up plans for divestment of 30.8% in Container Corporation of India Ltd. that was announced in 2019.

2- (d)

- In Bihar, the doyen of Bhojpuri folk theatre art "Launda Naach" and legendary artist Ram Chandra Manjhi passed away.
- This is a folk dance of the Bhojpuri speaking Community of India, Nepal, Mauritius and the Caribbean Islands.

3- (a)

- It is an international forum held each year in Vladivostok, Russia.
- Organised by the Roscongress Foundation, the Eastern Economic Forum describes itself as a key international platform for establishing and strengthening ties within the Russian and global investment communities, and for comprehensive expert evaluation of the economic and investment potential of the Russian Far East.
- The forum was established by the decree of President Putin in 2015 to support the economic development of Russia's Far East and to expand international cooperation in the Asia-Pacific region.

4- (a)

- Currently, exports or imports by a company are always in a foreign currency, with exceptions such as Nepal and Bhutan.
- To settle trade transactions with any country, banks in India would open Vostro accounts of correspondent bank/s of the partner country for trading. Indian importers can pay for their imports in INR into these accounts. These earnings from

imports can then be used to pay Indian exporters in INR.

- A Vostro account is an account that a correspondent bank holds on behalf of another bank — for example, HSBC Vostro account is held by SBI in India.

5- (c)

- The Ganga Water Sharing Treaty is a 30-year agreement which is expected to be reviewed or renewed in 2026. The Indian side also raised the "urgent" irrigation-related requirements in Tripura which can be addressed with the waters of the Feni and urged Bangladesh for "early signing of the interim water sharing agreement" on the river.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Sheikh Hasina reviewed the upcoming bilateral connectivity initiatives such as the conversion to dual-gauge of Tongi-Akhaura line, supply of rolling stock, Kaunia-Lalmonirhat-Mogalhat-New Gitaldaha link and Hili-Birampur upgradation of track. Similar works are also on on the Benapole-Jashore and Burimari-Changrabandha lines. These multiple rail track projects will create a smooth flow of goods and people within Bangladesh overcoming infrastructure bottlenecks. India and Bangladesh have been in talks for the construction of an Inland Container Depot (ICD) at Sirajganj in the north-

west of capital Dhaka and help in movement of bulk items.

6- (c)

- CSRs are often broken into four categories: environmental impacts, ethical responsibility, philanthropic endeavors, and financial responsibilities.

7- (b)

- The area is also been designated as second Ramsar site of the State after the Chilika Lake.
- It was designated on 16 September 1998 and obtained the status of a Ramsar site on 19 August 2002.
- Gahirmatha Beach and Marine Sanctuary are to the east, separating swamp region and mangroves from the Bay of Bengal.
- It hosts many mangrove species, and is the second largest mangrove ecosystem in India.

8- (a)

- Article 44 of the Constitution lays down that the state shall endeavour to secure a Uniform Civil Code for the citizens throughout the territory of India.
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