



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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EXPLANATION

1. Ans. a

Under the NPP, the National Water Development Agency (NWDA) has identified 30 links (16 under Peninsular Component and 14 under Himalayan Component) for preparation of Feasibility Reports

2. Ans. a

Coffee in India is traditionally grown in the rainforests of the Western Ghats in South India, covering Chikmagalur, Kodagu (Coorg), Wayanad, the Shevaroy Hills and the Nilgiris

3. Ans. b

NASA will launch the agency's first planetary defence test mission named the Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART)

4. Ans. b

kalbhat is a unique landrace of scented rice

5. Ans. c

S1: There is no such binding provision. Contracting Parties to the Ramsar convention make a commitment to: designate at least one site that meets the Ramsar criteria for inclusion in the List of Wetlands of International Importance promote the conservation and wise use of wetlands include wetland conservation within their national land-use planning establish nature reserves on wetlands and promote wetland training, and consult with other Contracting Parties about the implementation of the Ramsar Convention. S3: As per the definitions stated under the rules, "wetland" means an area or of marsh, fen, peatland or water.....includes all inland waters such as lakes, reservoir, tanks, backwaters, lagoon, creeks, estuaries and manmade wetland and the zone of direct influence on wetlands that is to say the drainage area or catchment region of the wetlands as determined by the authority but does not include main river channels, paddy fields and the coastal wetland. S2: not based on the recommendations of Ramsar Convention. The Ministry of Environment and Forests today notified the Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2010. These Rules have been drafted by the Ministry of Environment and Forests to ensure better conservation and management and to prevent degradation of existing wetlands in India.

6. Ans. b

Explanation: About Sunderbans:

The Sunderbans is a natural region in West Bengal and Bangladesh. It is the largest single block of tidal halophytic mangrove forest in the world. The Sunderbans covers approximately 10,000 square kilometres (3,900 sq mi) of which 60% is in Bangladesh with the remainder in India. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Four protected areas in the Sunderbans are enlisted as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, viz. Sunderbans National Park, Sunderbans West, Sunderbans South and Sunderbans East Wildlife Sanctuaries.

7. Ans.b

Assam is celebrating the first anniversary of the historic Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) agreement. The BTAD district is currently spread over four districts of Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa and Udalguri. Overview of the agreement signed: As per the agreement, villages dominated by Bodos that were presently outside the BTAD would be included and those with non-Bodo population would be excluded. The memorandum of settlement says that the criminal cases registered against members of the NDFB factions for “non-heinous” crimes shall be withdrawn by the Assam government and in cases of heinous crimes it will be reviewed. The families of those killed during the Bodo movement would get Rs. 5 lakh each. A Special Development Package of Rs. 1500 Crore would be given by the Centre to undertake specific projects for the development of Bodo areas. A committee will decide the exclusion and inclusion of new areas in the BTAD. Subsequent to this alteration, the total number of Assembly seats will go up to 60, from the existing 40.

8. Ans. b

Union Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj inaugurated 'Bhumi Samvaad

9. Ans. a

Vanniyars were categorised among the MBCs in Tamil Nadu..

10. Ans. a