#### Q: Consider the following statement regarding District Legal Services Authority:

- 1. The State Government in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court constitutes this body.
- 2. The person to be appointed shall belong to the State Judicial Service not lowers than rank than that of a Subordinate Judge.
- 3. It is a constitutional body.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

## Ans: a

Explanation:

- District Legal Services Authority is a body that shall be constituted by the State Government in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court.
- The act provides that a District Authority requires the district judge as its chairman.
- It shall also consist of a number of other members who have the experience and qualifications as prescribed by the State Government.
- The members possessing such requirements may be nominated by the Government in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court.
- The person to be appointed shall belong to the State Judicial Service not lowers than rank than that of a Subordinate Judge or Civil Judge posted at the seat of the District Judiciary as Secretary of the District Authority.
- The Assistant Commissioner of the concerned District acts as the Member Secretary of the District Authority.
- It is a statutory body organized at the district level to provide effective monitoring of legal aid programmes and their composition.

## Q: Consider the following statement regarding Mahua Tree:

- 1. It is mainly cultivated or harvested for edible oil.
- 2. It is a frost resistant species.
- 3. It requires loamy or sandy-loam soils.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

## Ans:

Explanation:

- Mahua Tree is mainly cultivated or harvested in the wild in Southern Asia for its edible flowers and oil seeds.
- It is commonly known as madhūka, madkam, mahuwa, Butter Tree, mahua, mahwa, mohulo, Iluppai, Mee or vippa chettu.
- It is a frost resistant species that can grow in marginal areas of dry tropical and subtropical forests up to an altitude of 1200-1800 m.
- It can be found scattered in pastures, in crop fields in central India, and on rivers banks in semi-evergreen forests.
- It grows well where annual rainfall is between 500 mm to 1500 mm, and where temperatures are in the range of 2-46°C.
- It requires loamy or sandy-loam soils with good drainage and also occurs on shallow stony, clayey and calcareous soils.

## Q: Consider the following statement regarding Norovirus:

1. It is a common and very contagious virus.

2. It is also sometimes referred to as the 'stomach flu' or the 'winter vomiting bug'.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: c

Explanation:

- Norovirus is a common and very contagious virus.
- It causes nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.
- It is also sometimes referred to as the 'stomach flu' or the 'winter vomiting bug'.
- People of all ages can get infected and sick with norovirus, which spreads very easily and quickly.
- You can get norovirus illness many times in your life because there are many different types of noroviruses.

# Q: Consider the following statement regarding Kanha Tiger Reserve:

- 1. It has a significant population of Royal Bengal Tiger, sloth bear and Indian wild dog.
- 2. The Park is respected globally for saving the Barasingha from near extinction.
- 3. Barasingha is the state animal of Madhya Pradesh.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

## Ans: d

Explanation:

- Kanha Tiger Reserve has a significant population of Royal Bengal Tiger, leopards, the sloth bear and Indian wild dog.
- The Park is respected globally for saving the Barasingha (the state animal of Madhya Pradesh) from near extinction.

# Q: Consider the following statement regarding Bitumen:

- 1. It is highly viscous, petroleum-based hydrocarbon.
- 2. It is found in deposits such as oil sands and pitch lakes.
- 3. It does not deform under any circumstances.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

#### Ans: a

Explanation:

- Bitumen is a dense, highly viscous, petroleum-based hydrocarbon.
- It is found in deposits such as oil sands and pitch lakes (natural bitumen) or is obtained as a residue of the distillation of crude oil.
- At the temperatures normally encountered in natural deposits, bitumen will not flow. In order to be moved through a pipe, it must be heated and, in some cases, diluted with a lighter oil.
- Bitumen can deform permanently under heavy loads. Continued stress on the material can result in cracking.