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1) With reference to India's disaster management framework, consider the following statements:

1. Heatwaves and lightning were added as notified natural disasters in 2026, making the total count 14.
2. SDRF is financed by the Central Government, with 75% contribution for general states and 90% for special category states.
3. NDRF is kept in the Consolidated Fund of India and requires parliamentary approval for disbursement.

Which of the above are correct?

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

Answer : a



Explanation:

- Heatwaves and lightning added in 2026; SDRF contributions are 75%/90% by Centre (1 & 2 are correct)
- NDRF is kept in the Public Account of India as a reserve fund, not in the Consolidated Fund (3 incorrect).

2) The new national security guidelines issued by MHA in 2026 mandate that:

1. Renewable energy projects within 1 km of the international border are permitted with Defence Ministry clearance.
2. Projects within 20 km of LoC/LAC/IB require a separate NOC from the Defence Ministry.
3. Staffing from Pakistan, Bangladesh, and China is freely allowed without restrictions.
4. Applications for renewable projects near borders must be submitted to the Ministry of Defence.

- a. a
- b. b
- c. c
- d. d

Answer : b

Explanation:

- Guidelines impose a blanket ban within 1 km of borders, require Defence NOC for projects within 20 km, and mandate applications via MNRE. Staffing from Pakistan, Bangladesh, China needs MHA permission.

3) Microsoft's 4th India Cloud Region, opened in Hyderabad in 2026, is significant because:

1. It makes India the largest global cloud market.
2. It expands Microsoft's footprint to four regions, making it the largest cloud infrastructure provider in India.
3. It is India's first data centre dedicated exclusively to defence services.
4. It is jointly operated with AWS and Oracle.

- a. a
- b. b
- c. c
- d. d

Answer : b

Explanation: Microsoft now has four regions (Hyderabad, Pune, Chennai, Mumbai), making it India's largest cloud infrastructure provider. It strengthens AI infrastructure and cloud adoption.

4) Consider the following about India's first privately built FFSC rocket engine "EVEREST":

1. It uses LOX?Methane propellants with full?flow staged combustion cycle.
2. FFSC engines ensure higher efficiency and cleaner combustion compared to conventional cycles.
3. India became the 4th nation with FFSC technology after USA, Russia, and China.

Which of the above are correct?

1. 1 and 2 only
2. 2 and 3 only
3. 1 and 3 only
4. 1, 2 and 3

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

Answer : d

Explanation:

- EVEREST is India's first privately built FFSC LOX?Methane engine
- FFSC cycle uses all propellants, ensuring efficiency and reusability
- India joins USA, Russia, China as the 4th nation with FFSC tech

5) The U.S. President's 2026 executive orders on birthright citizenship seek to:

1. Amend the Fourteenth Amendment through Congress.
 2. Deny citizenship to children born in U.S. territories where federal statute does not confer citizenship.
 3. Expand citizenship rights to children of foreign government employees.
 4. Align fully with the Supreme Court's recent ruling reaffirming birthright citizenship.
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- a. a
 - b. b
 - c. c
 - d. d

Answer : b

Explanation: Orders restrict birth tourism and deny citizenship to children of foreign government employees, terrorists, lobbyists, and those born in U.S. territories without statutory citizenship. Critics argue they violate the Fourteenth Amendment.

