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- 1) Consider the following statements regarding Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary:
 1. Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Madhya Pradesh and is associated with the Gandhi Sagar Reservoir on the Chambal River.
 2. It is being developed as the second cheetah habitat in India after Kuno National Park.
 3. The sanctuary is located along the Madhya Pradesh–Rajasthan border.Which of the statements given above are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 2) Consider the following statements with reference to the National Green Tribunal (NGT):
 1. The NGT can exercise suo motu jurisdiction on the basis of media reports or information available in the public domain.
 2. The Tribunal is guided by the principles of sustainable development, precautionary principle and polluter pays principle.
 3. The NGT has jurisdiction over environmental matters, including cases arising under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and the Indian Forest Act, 1927.Which one of the following conclusions based on the above statements is correct?
 - (a) All three statements are correct.
 - (b) There is no correct statement.
 - (c) There are two correct statements.
 - (d) There is only one correct statement.
- 3) Exercise 'Veer Guardian', frequently seen in the news, is a bilateral military exercise conducted between which of the following two countries?
 - (a) India and France
 - (b) India and Japan
 - (c) India and South Korea
 - (d) India and Singapore
- 4) Consider the following statements with reference to the Law Commission of India:
 1. The Law Commission of India is constituted for a fixed period of three years.
 2. The Law Commission is a statutory body empowered to make recommendations to the Government on legal matters.
 3. The Law Commission can take up legal subjects on its own initiative, in addition to examining matters referred to it by the Government or other authorities.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 5) Consider the following statements regarding silk production in India:



1. India is the only country producing all five major commercially traded varieties of silk.
2. India is the second-largest producer of raw silk in the world.
3. The Central Silk Board is a constitutional body functioning under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Explanation

1) Answer: (D)

- **Statement 1 – Correct:** Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary is located in **Madhya Pradesh** and is associated with the **Gandhi Sagar Reservoir on the Chambal River**. The sanctuary forms part of the broader Gandhi Sagar–Bhainsrorgarh landscape.
- **Statement 2 – Correct:** Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary is being developed as the **second major cheetah habitat in India after Kuno National Park** under **Project Cheetah**. Cheetahs were introduced there in 2025, marking the expansion of the project beyond Kuno.
- **Statement 3 – Correct:** The sanctuary is situated in the **northwestern part of Madhya Pradesh**, close to the **Madhya Pradesh–Rajasthan border**. Several parts of the sanctuary share a boundary with Rajasthan.
- **Therefore, option D is the correct answer.**

2) Answer: (C)

- **Statement 1 — Correct:** The NGT can take up environmental matters suo motu, including on the basis of media reports or public information.
- **Statement 2 — Correct:** It applies the sustainable development, precautionary and polluter pays principles.
- **Statement 3 — Incorrect:** The NGT's jurisdiction is confined to matters arising under the laws specified in Schedule I of the NGT Act. The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 and Indian Forest Act, 1927 are not included.
- **Therefore, option C is the correct answer.**

3) Answer: (B)

- **(b) India and Japan (Correct): Exercise Veer Guardian** is a bilateral air combat exercise between the **Indian Air Force (IAF)** and the **Japan Air Self-Defense Force (JASDF)**. It focuses on tactical interoperability, joint operational understanding, and strengthening defense ties under the framework of a Free and Open Indo-Pacific.
- **(a) India and France:** Major bilateral exercises between India and France include **Exercise Shakti** (Army), **Exercise Garuda** (Air Force), and **Exercise Varuna** (Navy).
- **(c) India and South Korea:** Bilateral engagements include the **IN-RoKN Exercise**, which is a naval exercise conducted between the Indian Navy and the Republic of Korea Navy.
- **(d) India and Singapore:** Joint military exercises between India and Singapore include **Exercise Bold Kurukshetra** (Army) and **SIMBEX** (Naval).



- Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

4) Answer: (B)

- **Statement 1 — Correct:** Law Commissions are generally constituted for a three-year term through executive orders.
- **Statement 2 — Incorrect:** The Law Commission is a non-statutory body, not a statutory body. It functions in an advisory capacity.
- **Statement 3 — Correct:** It can examine legal issues suo motu/on its own initiative, apart from subjects referred to it, subject to its terms of reference.
- Therefore, option B is the correct answer.

5) Answer: (A)

- **Statement 1 is correct:** India holds the unique global distinction of being the **only country in the world** that commercializes all five major varieties of silk: Mulberry, Tropical Tasar, Oak Tasar, Eri, and Muga.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** India is the **second-largest producer** of raw silk globally, next only to China.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** The **Central Silk Board** is a **statutory body** established under an Act of Parliament (1948), not a constitutional body. Furthermore, it functions under the administrative control of the **Ministry of Textiles**, not the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- Therefore, option A is the correct answer.

