



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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1. Ans. c

The Red Sea is a semi-enclosed tropical basin, bounded by north-eastern Africa, to the west, and the Arabian Peninsula, to the east. Hence, statement 1 is correct. The elongated and narrow-shaped basin extends between the Mediterranean Sea, to the north-west, and the Indian Ocean, to the south-east. At the northern end, it separates into the Gulf of Aqaba and the Gulf of Suez, which is connected to the Mediterranean Sea via the Suez Canal. At the southern end, it is connected to the Gulf of Aden, and the outer Indian Ocean, via the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb. Hence, statement 2 is correct. It is surrounded by desert or semi-desert areas, with no major freshwater inflow. 6 Bordering Countries: Yemen; Saudi Arabia; Egypt; Sudan; Eritrea; Djibouti.

2. Ans. a

A geographical indication (GI) tag has been sought for one of the costliest mushrooms in the world that grows in Jammu and Kashmir's Doda district. Locally called Gucchi, or Morel, the mushroom, priced at over ₹20,000 a kg, is a forest produce collected by local farmers and tribals. It is said to have medicinal and anti-inflammatory properties. It is found in the temperate forests.

3. Ans. d

Explanation: Tributaries of Brahmaputra River

Left: Dibang River, called by Dimasa tribe, Lohit River, Dhansiri River, Kolong River Right: Kameng River, Manas River, Beki River, Raidak River, Jaldhaka River, Teesta River, Subansiri River

Tsari Chu River:

Satellite image shows China built new village in Arunachal. The settlements are situated on the banks of Tsari Chu river in Upper Subansiri district of Arunachal. The village lies south of the McMahon Line. The McMahon Line demarcates between Tibet and India's northeast, which is disputed by China.

4. Ans. c

Semeru volcano:

Erupted recently. Located in Indonesia's East Java province. It is the highest volcano in Java and one of the most active.

5. Ans. d

Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary is one of 18 wildlife sanctuaries among the protected areas of Kerala. It has earned the name for being the only rehabilitation centre for the Indian star tortoise in India. It is under the jurisdiction of and contiguous with Eravikulam National Park to the south. Indian star tortoise:

Found across the Indian sub-continent, more specifically, in the central and Southern parts of India, in West Pakistan and in Sri Lanka. Protected under Schedule IV of Wild Life Protection Act 1972. Convention on International Trade in Species (CITES): Appendix I IUCN Status: Vulnerable.

6. Ans. c

About Yamuna River:

The river Yamuna is a major tributary of river Ganges. Originates from the Yamunotri glacier near Bandarpooch peaks in the Mussoorie range of the lower Himalayas in Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand. It meets the Ganges at the Sangam in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh after flowing through Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana and Delhi. Tributaries: Chambal, Sindh, Betwa and Ken.

7. Ans. c

It is a landlocked territory near the Mediterranean coast of Western Asia, bordered by Jordan to the east and by the Green Line separating it and Israel on the south, west and north. The West Bank also contains a significant section of the western Dead Sea shore.

8. Ans. d

Taiwan is an island country in East Asia the East China Sea lies to its north, the Philippine Sea to its east, the Luzon Strait directly to its south and the South China Sea to its southwest. Smaller islands include a number in the Taiwan Strait including the Penghu archipelago, the Kinmen and Matsu Islands near the Chinese coast, and some of the South China Sea Islands.

9. Ans. a

S1: The Sundarbans is a mangrove area in the delta formed by the confluence of the Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna Rivers in the Bay of Bengal. S2: The number of Royal Bengal Tigers in West Bengal's Sundarbans has risen to 96, up by eight, according to the latest census. S3: Four protected areas in the Sundarbans are enlisted as UNESCO World Heritage Sites, viz Sundarbans National Park, Sundarbans West, Sundarbans South and Sundarbans East Wildlife Sanctuaries.

10. Ans. b

About ZSI:

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