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1. Consider the following statements with respect to Know India Programme (KIP):

1. It is an information repository programme, where the ongoing developments in India on various fields are updated online.
2. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB).
3. Its main objective is to provide young persons of Overseas Indians an exposure to the country of their origin.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

2. Consider the following statements with respect to Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM):

1. It is a non-permanent and independent body.
2. It was constituted to give economic advice to the Government of India, specifically to the Prime Minister.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

3. Consider the following statements

1. India currently has only one functioning aircraft carrier - INS Viraat.
2. INS Vikrant will be the India's second Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) after INS Viraat.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2

4. Consider the following statements with respect to Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC):

1. It is a political and economic alliance of six countries, all located in Arabian Peninsula.
2. It is headquartered in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
3. The 39th GCC summit was recently held at Doha, Qatar.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

5. Consider the following statements with respect to "Voyager-2" Probe

1. It was launched by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in 1977.
2. It was the first human-made object which leaves our Solar System.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answers

1. . a

- The KIP is an important initiative of Government of India for young Indian Diaspora in the age group of 18 to 30 years with a view to provide them an exposure to the country of their origin so that they can understand it better and more intimately.
- The KIP offers a platform for the young Indian diaspora to visit India share their views, expectations and experiences and forge closer bonds with the India of present times.
- It is being organized by the Ministry of External Affairs.
- Recently, 49th 'Know India Programme' (KIP), being organized by the Ministry of External Affairs in partnership with Andhra Pradesh Government.

2. . c

- PMEAC is a non-constitutional, nonpermanent and independent body constituted to give economic advice to the Government of India, specifically to the Prime Minister.

3. d

- India currently has only one aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya, which was the erstwhile Russian Admiral Gorshkov, inducted into service in 2013.
- The country's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC-1), to be formally named as INS Vikrant.
- Recently, a statement was made that the Navy Headquarters was working on a second Indigenous Aircraft Carrier or IAC-2, which would give India a fleet of three aircraft carriers.

4. b

- GCC is a political and economic alliance of six countries in Arabian Peninsula - Kuwait, Oman, Bahrain, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and UAE.
- It is headquartered in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Its aim is to achieve ever closer union between the energy rich Gulf countries.

- The 39th GCC summit was recently held in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, UAE and Egypt have imposed an air, land and sea blockade on Qatar since June 2017 accusing Qatar of supporting terrorism.

5. a

- NASA's Voyager 2 launched in 1977 has become the second human-made object in history to reach the edge of our solar system.
- Its twin, Voyager 1, crossed this boundary in 2012, but Voyager 2 carries a working instrument that will provide first-of- its-kind observations of the nature of this gateway into interstellar space.

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