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1. “Regulatory Indicators for Sustainable Energy” (RISE) report was released by which of the following?

- a. International Energy Agency
- b. World Bank
- c. The Energy and Resources Institute

d. United Nations Development Programme

2. Consider the following statements with respect to Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE):

- 1. It is a statutory body constituted under the Ministry of Power.
- 2. Its primary objective is to reduce energy intensity of the Indian economy.

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 with respect to “Operation Oliva”

1. It is a conservation programme to protect the endangered Olive Ridley sea turtles.

2. The exercise was launched by the Indian Coast Guard.

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

4. Consider the following statements with respect to Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA):

- 1. It was constituted under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
- 2. It is the only agency to issue No Objection Certificates (NOC) for ground water withdrawal in India.

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

5. "Piezometer" is an instrument used to measure:

- a. Atmospheric pressure
- b. Liquid pressure
- c. Infra-red radiation
- d. Salinity of solutions

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### Answers

1. b

World Bank has released its report Regulatory Indicators for Sustainable Energy (RISE) 2018, charting global progress on sustainable energy policies.

The report was released on the sidelines of the 24th Conference of the Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP24).

2. c

- Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) is a statutory body constituted through the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 under the Ministry of Power.
- It is mandated to implement policy and programmes in the area of energy efficiency and conservation.
- The mission of the BEE is to assist in developing policies and strategies with a thrust on self-regulation and market principles, within the overall framework of the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 with the primary objective of reducing energy intensity of the Indian economy.

3. c

- The Indian Coast Guard has launched the „Operation Oliva“ exercise as part of its annual mission to ensure the safe mid-sea sojourn of breeding Olive Ridley sea turtles.
- The Coast Guard has launched an exercise along the serene sea waters of the Gahirmatha marine sanctuary in Odisha to protect the endangered Olive Ridley sea turtles during their mating season.

4. a

- Central Ground Water Authority has been constituted under Section 3 (3) of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 to regulate and control development and management of ground water resources in the country.
- CGWA has been regulating ground water development for its sustainable management in the country through measures such as issue of advisories, public notices and grant of No Objection Certificates (NOC) for ground water withdrawal.
- The authority to issue NOC for various uses will be vested with the District Magistrates/ Deputy Commissioners, State Ground Water Authority/ State Nodal agency and Central Ground Water Authority.

5.b

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