

86. (a) The census of tigers is done every 4 years by the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA). Hence statement 1 is false.
- Both the other statements are true.
  - IUCN Status Endangered
87. (c) India has overtaken the United States to become the second most sought-after manufacturing destination globally in the 2021 Global Manufacturing Risk Index by Cushman & Wakefield
- China remains in the first place. Hence statement 1 is true.
  - The second statement is also true; hence both options (c) 1 and 2 are correct.
88. (b) Articles 124(2) and 217 of the Constitution govern the appointment of judges to the Supreme Court and High Courts respectively. Hence statement 1 is true.
- Including one former woman judge, the apex court has grown to four women. Hence statement 2 is false.
  - Of the 247 judges appointed since 1950, only eight have been women judges. In the year 1980, Justice M. Fatima Bibi was the first judge to be appointed to the apex court. Hence statement 4 is false.
  - The President is authorized to make appointments of such judges of the Supreme Court and the High Courts of the States as the President considers necessary, after consultation. Hence this statement is also true.
  - Hence options (b) only 2 and 4 are false.
89. (b) Kirkuk is a city located about 150 miles north of Baghdad in Iraq. It is a diverse population and multilingual area located in a vast area. Kirkuk is an oil-rich region of Iraq which is claimed by the central government of Iraq as well as the Kurdish government.
- Oromia; Ethiopia is the largest state in terms of both area and population. More than 84% of the people here belong to the Orom caste.
  - Mindanao or Mindanao southeast
  - The Philippines is the southernmost and second-largest island of Asia. Administratively, the Philippines are divided into three major island groups, and Mindanao is known for one of these.
90. (c) Recently, the Finance Minister has launched a fund named 'Urte Stars Fund' in Lucknow. It is an alternative investment fund to help export-oriented firms and start-ups establish themselves as the champions of the future. Hence statement 1 is false.
- It has been established by Axis Bank and Small Industries Body Bank of India (SIDBI). Hence statement 2 is also false.
  - Rising Star Fund's objective is to enhance India's export competitiveness in select sectors through finance and extensive handholding support to Indian companies with the potential to become future champions in the domestic sector while meeting global demands.
  - The size of the Rising Star Fund is Rs. 250 crore.
91. (a) The 16th Summer Paralympic Games were to be held in 2020. But postponed due to the Covid epidemic, it was held from August 24 to September 5, 2021, in Tokyo, Japan.
- The Summer Paralympics were hosted twice by Tokyo, Japan. (First time in 1964)
  - This time two new sports Badminton and Taekwondo were added. (Sailing and 7a-side football on location)
  - The official mascot of the 16th Summer Paralympic Games is derived from Somioini, a well-known species of cherry blossom.
  - The Paralympic motto is 'United by Emotion'.
  - In the 16th Summer Paralympic Games, India is ranked 24th with a total of 19 (5 gold, 8 silver and 6 bronze).
  - Game Vision - Achieving Personal Best, Unity in Diversity, Connecting to Tomorrow.
  - Organized and governed by the International Paralympic Committee (IPC).
  - Paralympics were organized for the first time - in the year 1960, Rome (Italy).