



- Protection:
  - **Vulnerable— IUCN Red List.**
  - CITES: Appendix II
  - Indian Wildlife Protection Act, 1972: Schedule I.
  - Fishing Cat Project, launched in 2010 started raising awareness about the Cat in West Bengal.

Refer: facts for prelims: <https://www.insightsonindia.com/2022/06/06/mission-2022-insights-daily-current-affairs-pib-summary-04-june-2022-3/>

40. Under which Schedule of the Constitution of India can the transfer of tribal land to private parties for mining be declared null and void?

- (a) Third Schedule
- (b) Fifth Schedule
- (c) Ninth Schedule
- (d) Twelfth Schedule

Ans: (b)

Explanation:

- Known popularly as the Samata judgment, it nullified all mining leases granted by the State government in the Scheduled areas and asked it to stop all mining operations. Only the State Mineral Development Corporation or a cooperative of the tribal people, it ruled, could take up mining activity and that too in compliance with the Forest Conservation Act and the Environment Protection Act. It also recognised the Constitution (73rd) Amendment and the Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, under which gram sabhas are competent to preserve and safeguard community resources, and reiterated the right of self-governance of Adivasis. Where similar Acts in other States do not prohibit the grant of mining leases in the Scheduled areas, a committee of Secretaries and State Cabinet sub-committees should be constituted and a decision taken, the judgment said. Before granting leases, it is obligatory for the State government to obtain the concurrence of the Centre, which would, for this purpose, constitute a sub-committee consisting of the Prime Minister and the Union Ministers for Welfare and Environment so that the State's policy is consistent with that of the nation, it said. The judgment also noted that at least 20 per cent of the net profits should be set apart as a permanent fund for the establishment and provision of basic facilities in the areas of health, education, roads and other public amenities. [Read more>>](#)

Refer: UPSC CSE 2019

### RTM- REVISION THROUGH MCQS -6<sup>th</sup>-Jun-2022

41. Consider the following facts:

1. He worked on abolishment of untouchability
2. He formed a youth organization- Mitra Mela
3. He propagated the idea of Swadeshi

The above facts refers to:

- (a) Anant Laxman Kanhere
- (b) Veer Savarkar
- (c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale