

- **37.** With reference to Cotton plantation in India, consider the following statements:
 - Gujarat and Maharashtra are the two leading states in cotton production in India.
 - 2. India contributes around one fourth of the global cotton produce.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **38.** With reference to Soils of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Alluvial soil is the single largest category of soils in India.
 - 2. Soil erosion is a dominant problem prevailing in Chambal valley of India.
 - 3. Black soils are in situ soils in India and are spread mostly across interior Gujarat, Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Madhya Pradesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **39.** With reference to Islands in India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands are of coral origin.
 - 2. Sagar island and New Moore island are the continental island detached from mainland.

3. Both Sriharikota island and Wheeler island are located on east coast of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **40.** With reference to Sundarbans Delta, consider the following statements:
 - 1. About three-fifths of the delta is located in India and the remaining in Bangladesh.
 - 2. These are the single largest deltas found in the world.
 - 3. Royal Bengal Tiger is one of the important species found here.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 41. India has a "2 plus 2 dialogue" engagement to the level of Foreign and Defence Ministers with which of the following countries?
 - 1. Bhutan
 - 2. Russia
 - 3. Australia
 - 4. Japan

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4