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**International Agricultural Development Fund****Question: Consider the following statements:**

1. It is an international financial institution and a specialized agency of the United Nations, working in the field of poverty alleviation in rural areas of developing countries.
2. It has called for greater investment in protecting biodiversity ahead of the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) World Conservation Conference.
3. The World Conservation Conference is organized by PBC every four years.

**Which of the above statement(s) is/are true?**

- (A) 01 and 02                      (B) 02 and 03  
(C) 01 and 03                      (D) all of the above

**Answer:- (D) All of the above**

**Role:-**Recently the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) has committed to focus 30 percent of its climate finance by the year 2030 on supporting nature-based solutions in rural small-scale agriculture.

**Exam Useful Points:-**

- It is an international financial institution and a specialized agency of the United Nations, working in the field of poverty alleviation in rural areas of developing countries.
- It works by providing access to disaster preparedness weather information, social education etc. to marginalized and vulnerable groups such as low caste people (farmers, forest dwellers, pastoralists, fishermen).

- It called for greater investment in protecting biodiversity ahead of the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) World Conservation Conference.
- The World Conservation Conference is organized by the IUCN every four years.
- Various members of the IUCN come together from the conference, vote on recommendations, and set the agenda for global conservation efforts.
- It was formed in the year 1977 as a result of the 1974 World Food Conference.
- It's headquarter is in Rome, Italy, it has 177 member countries, and India is also its member country.
- Its objective is to increase the production capacity of poor people, increase their profits through market participation, and strengthen the environmental sustainability and climate resilience of their economic activities.
- This organization submits the Rural Development Report every year.

### **INSPIRE AWARD MANAK**

**Question: Consider the following statements:**

1. The award ceremony of the 8th NLEPC of the INSPIRE Awards – MANAK will be held in a virtual mode on 8th of this month wherein the Science and Technology Minister will give away the awards to the creative children of the country.
2. The objective of this scheme is to motivate students in the age group of 10-15 years and students of classes 6 to 10 to become the innovators of the future.
3. More than 1000 students participated in the online program which will last for 5 days.

**Which of the above statement(s) is/are true?**

- (A) 01 and 02                      (B) 02 and 03  
(C) 01 and 03                      (D) all of the above

**Answer:- (D) All of the above**

**Role:-** Ministry of Science and Technology has organized the 8th National Level Exhibition and Project Competition (NLEPC) for the INSPIRE award MANAK. It showcased the innovative ideas of 561 students representing different states and union territories of the country.

**Exam Useful Points:-**

- The eighth edition of NLEPC corresponds to the students selected under the INSPIRE AWARD MANAK program during the financial year 2019-20, and was postponed last year due to COVID-19.
- More than 100 students participated in the online program which will last for 5 days.
- The award ceremony of the 8th NLEPC of the INSPIRE Awards – MANAK will be held in a virtual mode on 8th of this month wherein the Science and Technology Minister will give away the awards to the creative children of the country.
- The objective of this scheme is to motivate students in the age group of 10-15 years and students from class 6 to 10 to become the innovators of the future.
- It believes that once students develop the core ideas and innovations rooted in science and technology, it will encourage a culture of creativity and innovative thinking in school children.

**Karbi Anglong Agreement**

**Question: Consider the following statements:**

1. A historic 'Karbi Anglong Agreement' to end the decades-old crisis that ensured the territorial integrity of Assam was signed in New Delhi in the presence of the Union Home Minister.
2. This MoU will ensure greater devolution of autonomy to the Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC), protection of identity, language, culture etc. of the Karbi people and focused development of the Council without affecting the territorial and administrative integrity of Assam.
3. The Karbi Armed Groups have agreed to renounce violence and engage in a peaceful democratic process prescribed by the country's constitution.

**Which of the above statement(s) is/are true?**

- (A) 01 and 02                      (B) 02 and 03  
(C) 01 and 03                      (D) all of the above

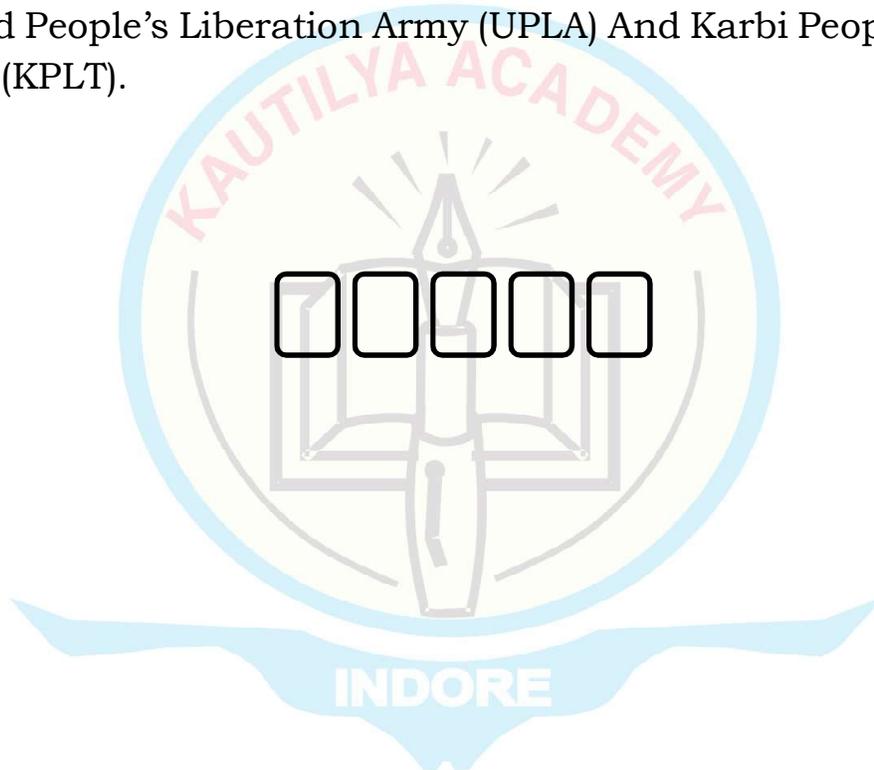
**Answer:- (D) All of the above**

**Role:-** The Centre has signed a three-year Karbi Anglong agreement, and announced funds for the development.

**Exam Useful Points:-**

- The Karbi Armed Group has agreed to renounce violence and engage in a peaceful democratic process stipulated by the country's constitution.
- A historic 'Karbi Anglok Agreement' to end the decades-old crisis that ensured the territorial integrity of Assam was signed in New Delhi in the presence of the Union Home Minister.

- This MoU will ensure greater devolution of autonomy to the Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC), protection of identity, language, culture etc. of the Karbi people and focused development of the Council area without affecting the territorial and administrative integrity of Assam.
- On February 25, 1040 terrorists of five terrorist groups surrendered with their weapons during an event in Guwahati, Assam.
- 5 Group are: Karbi Longri NC Hills Liberation Front (KLNLF), People's Democrat Council of Karbi Longri (PDCK), Kuki Liberation Front, United People's Liberation Army (UPLA) And Karbi People's Liberation Tiger (KPLT).



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