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1. Abd al-Kuri Island, which was seen in the news, is located in which ocean?

- [A] Indian Ocean
- [B] Pacific Ocean
- [C] Atlantic Ocean
- [D] Arctic Ocean

Correct Answer: A [Indian Ocean]

Satellite images show a nearly completed airstrip on Yemen's Abd al-Kuri Island, likely built by the UAE. Abd al-Kuri Island is 65 miles southwest of Socotra, in the Indian Ocean, part of the Socotra Archipelago. Although it belongs to Yemen, the island is geographically closer to Somalia, about 110 km northeast of Cape Gwardafuy. The island is rocky, 35 km long, and 5 km wide, with its highest point at 700 meters, Mount Jebel Saleh. With fewer than 500 residents, its inhabitants mainly rely on fishing, and settlements are connected by dirt roads. The island features the endemic *Euphorbia abdalkuri* plant.

2. Which organisation released the 'Global Risks Report 2025'?

- [A] International Monetary Fund
- [B] World Economic Forum
- [C] United Nations Development Programme
- [D] United Nations Environment Programme

Correct Answer: B [World Economic Forum]

The World Economic Forum released the Global Risk Report, first published in 2006, categorizing extreme weather as “environmental risk.” The 2024-2025 report is based on the Global Risks Perception Survey (GRPS) and assesses risks over short-term (1-2 years) and long-term (10 years) periods. Short-term risks include misinformation, extreme weather events, and state-based armed conflict. Long-term risks include extreme weather biodiversity loss, ecosystem collapse, and critical earth system changes. Four key spheres shaping global risks are technological, geostrategic, climatic, and demographic, expected to intensify. The report highlights addressing short-lived climate pollutants like black carbon, methane, and hydrofluorocarbons.

3. Trajan 155 mm towed artillery gun system is developed by India and which country?

- [A] Russia
- [B] Australia
- [C] France
- [D] Japan

Correct Answer: C [France]

The Trajan 155 mm towed artillery gun system, developed by India and France, has secured an export order from Armenia. It is a 155 mm, 52-calibre towed gun system, jointly developed by Larsen & Toubro (L&T) and KNDS France, and manufactured in India. The gun

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has a range exceeding 40 km, depending on the ammunition, and is designed for modern combat. It features advanced targeting, fire-control systems, modular design for easy transport, rapid firing rates, and terrain adaptability.

4.The Nord Stream Pipeline is constructed under which Sea?

- [A] Red Sea
- [B] Baltic Sea
- [C] Arabian Sea
- [D] Black Sea

Correct Answer: B [Baltic Sea]

A United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) study revealed that the 2022 Nord Stream pipeline explosions caused the largest human-induced methane release ever recorded. Nord Stream is a key natural gas pipeline under the Baltic Sea, connecting Vyborg, Russia, to Lubmin near Greifswald, Germany. It is a twin pipeline system designed to ensure energy security for Europe, especially Germany. The pipeline provides a direct and reliable gas supply from Russia, bypassing transit countries.

5.Which Indian Naval Ship (INS) is participated in the fourth edition of the Multinational Exercise LA PEROUSE?

- [A] INS Surat
- [B] INS Kolkata
- [C] INS Mumbai
- [D] INS Vikrant

Correct Answer: C [INS Mumbai]

INS Mumbai, an indigenously built guided missile destroyer, is participating in the fourth edition of Exercise LA PEROUSE. The

exercise involves navies from Australia, France, the UK, the US, Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, and Canada. It focuses on enhancing maritime situational awareness, surveillance, interdiction, air operations, and information sharing. The exercise highlights India's naval synergy, interoperability, and commitment to a rules-based maritime order. It aligns with India's SAGAR vision to ensure security and growth in the Indo-Pacific region.

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