

Qn. 1

**Answer: c) Only 2 and 3 are correct**

**Explanation:**

- **Statement 1** is incorrect because ships registered under Flags of Convenience (FoCs) are often subject to *less stringent* labor regulations, allowing shipowners to avoid stricter regulations in their home countries.
- **Statement 2** is correct, as one of the main reasons for registering under an FoC is to benefit from lower taxes and reduced costs.
- **Statement 3** is correct, as countries like **Panama and Liberia** are among the most popular for FoCs due to their lenient regulatory frameworks.

Qn.2

**Answer: a) 1 and 3 only**

**Explanation:**

**The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF):**

- The International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) is an international federation of transport workers' trade unions. Around 700 unions representing 19.5 million transport workers from some 150 countries are ITF members.
- It is one of several global union federations allied with the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC).
- The ITF's headquarters is in London and it has offices in Amman, Brussels, Nairobi, New Delhi, Ouagadougou, Rio de Janeiro, Singapore and Tokyo.

Qn. 3

**Answer: (b) Only 1 and 3 are correct**

**Explanation:**

- **Statement 1** is correct: Cloud seeding typically uses substances like silver iodide, dry ice, or salt to promote precipitation.
- **Statement 2** is incorrect: Cloud seeding does not guarantee heavy rainfall; it enhances the likelihood of rain, but its effectiveness varies depending on atmospheric conditions.
- **Statement 3** is correct: Cloud seeding is used in agriculture, weather modification (e.g., to prevent hail), and to enhance water resources in drought-prone areas.

Qn. 4 a

**Answer: a. 2 and 3 only**

**Explanation:**

- Statement 1 is **incorrect** because **Green Diplomacy** is broader than just climate change; it addresses a wide range of environmental issues, such as biodiversity, pollution, and sustainable resource management.
- Statement 2 is **correct** as Green Diplomacy indeed promotes **sustainable development** and **environmental protection**.
- Statement 3 is **correct** since Green Diplomacy involves multiple stakeholders, including **governments, businesses, NGOs, and civil society** to achieve environmental goals.