



**NPTEL Online Certification Course**  
**<Environment and Development>**  
**<Assignment 8>: Detailed Solution**  
**Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati**

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**All questions are compulsory, and each question carries one (01) mark**

1. When was the MoU regarding the setting up of Alumina complex signed by SAIL and Government of Orissa?

- a. 1998
- b. 2000
- c. 2003
- d. 2005

**Correct Answer: C**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

2. Mining-induced displacement and resettlement is primarily \_\_\_\_\_ issue.

- a. Psychological
- b. Social
- c. Human rights
- d. Economic

**Correct Answer: D**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

3. When was the Land Acquisition Act (LAA) amended?

- a. 1980
- b. 1984
- c. 1970
- d. 1985

**Correct Answer: B**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

4. When was the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition and Development) Act passed in India?

- a. 1957
- b. 1950
- c. 1960
- d. 1965

**Correct Answer: A**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

5. What is the main issue at stake regarding the construction of large dams?

- a. Resettlement and rehabilitation
- b. Migration and resettlement
- c. Rehabilitation and reconstruction
- d. None of these

**Correct Answer: A**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

6. What is the primary concern surrounding the construction of huge dams?

- a. Migration and resettlement
- b. Rehabilitation and reconstruction
- c. Resettlement and rehabilitation
- d. All of these

**Correct Answer: CA**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

7. Who is the author of the book *The Greater Common Good*?

- a. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- b. Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru
- c. Vandana Shiva
- d. Arundhati Roy

**Correct Answer: D**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

8. Who among the following argued that “the general good of all humankind could be pursued by the attainment of knowledge that is useful in life so as to make ourselves the masters and possessors of nature”?

- a. Rene Descartes
- b. Michel Foucault
- c. Simone de Beauvoir
- d. Karl Marx

**Correct Answer: A**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

9. When was the Mapithel dam project approved?

- a. 1985
- b. 1980
- c. 1990
- d. 2000

**Correct Answer: B**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**

10. What effects does resettlement have on indigenous people?

- a. Loss of access to common resources
- b. Loss of civil and human rights
- c. Both ‘loss of access to common resources’ and ‘loss of civil and human rights’
- d. Profit in terms of land

**Correct Answer: C**

**Detailed Answer: From the NPTEL lecture**