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NOTES

Class - VIII Subject - English Topic - Back from the Brink

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- 1. Tribals who are traditional hunters and ex-poachers took these first steps.
- 2. The tribals of Rachi village decided on a self-imposed ban on hunting. Also, ex-poachers turned into forest guides and put their knowledge of the forest to use.
- 3. They were positive as they marked the start of the journey towards a sustainable future. They were also positive because the tribals and ex-poachers proved that preserving nature was not a spectator sport.

Q2. Answer the following questions briefly-

- 1. Tai, Maga, and Jarjo are young Nyshi tribals who were helping the film-makers with their documentary film.
- 2. Jarjo mimicked the sound to lure the mother deer, probably so that the film-makers could film the scene
- 3. The film-makers' sojourn began in 2002, in the Pakke National Park in Arunachal Pradesh. The objective was to film the rehabilitation of two Himalayan black bear cubs orphaned by hunting
- 4. The film-makers aimed to show to what extent hunting had depleted the wildlife in the region and who hoped there was for restoring the wildlife while simultaneously preserving the tribal heritage.
- 5. Hunting is part of the tradition and culture of the tribal people. The animals they hunt provide food, bones, fur, and feathers which are used for decoration and to represent social status.
- 6. The demand for animals and birds motivated the tribal people to hunt recklessly. As the prices of rare animals and birds rose in village markets, people began hunting more recklessly

- 7. The fact that the residents of Khonoma imposed a ban on hunting, and the tribal people of Ranchi imposed a ban on themselves for three years indicates that the young tribals were more concerned about the environment than traditions
- 8. Ex-poachers from Manas, Assam realized that an alternative to hunting was to serve as quickies, thus putting their intimate knowledge of the forest to good use. This would ensure a sustainable future because animals would no longer be killed and there would be sufficient wildlife to show to visitors more wildlife would mean more visitors, which would lead to more income for the villagers.