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## Close Test Questions for IBPS Clerk, IBPS PO Pre, IBPS SO Pre, RRB Scale I Pre, SBI Clerk and SBI PO Pre

### Close Test Exercise 55

**Direction: In the passage given below, there are 10 blanks. Each blank has four alternative words given in choices. You have to tell which choice or combination of choices does NOT fit in the respective blank.**

On the morning of 22 April, somewhere between the villages of Boria and Kasansur in the Bhamaragad tehsil of Gadchiroli district in Maharashtra, a group of Maoists had camped, some of them having breakfast while others were just resting. Apparently \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ about their presence, a much larger group of Central Reserve Police Force and C-60 commandos, some of them equipped with under barrel grenade launchers, surrounded the Maoists and fired \_\_\_ B \_\_\_, killing all of them. The police, claiming that they had killed 16 Maoists in an encounter, took a select group of journalists to the site who faithfully reported the official narrative. The following day, the police claimed they had killed another six Maoists in an encounter, this time at Rajaram Khandla in the Jimalgatta forests. Then, on 24 April, the police declared that they recovered 15 bodies from the Indravati river, and that these were of other Maoists who had been killed in the 22 April encounter. Subsequently three more bodies were found in the river. So, a total of 40 “Maoists” had been killed in the two encounters. Awards and promotions were in store for the “encounter specialists,” and the occasion called for \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ celebrations!

The counter-insurgency deliberately \_\_\_ D \_\_\_ the distinction between combatants and non-combatants. The Maoists say that only 22 of the dead were their cadres. Moreover, later, when some parents filed missing reports, it subsequently came to light that on the night of 21 April, as eight young men and women were on their way from a village called Gattepalli to attend a wedding in Kasansur, they were picked up and killed by the police. It is believed that their bodies were then \_\_\_ E \_\_\_ together with those of the dead Maoists, and shown as having being killed in the 22 April encounter. The father of one of the dead

Maoist leaders, whom the police claimed to have shot dead in one of the encounters, found a deep axe-mark on his son's body. This suggests \_\_\_ F \_\_\_ and brutality too, but the ruling establishment could not care less.

What the establishment really cares about are the profits that big business must \_\_\_ G \_\_\_ from its mining projects, and the shares of those surpluses that must go to the political leaders and corrupt officials who have acted as brokers to get those projects off the ground. The Madia Gonds and other forest dwellers do not want the mining, for it destroys their hills, forests, and rivers, and the intruding capitalist culture debases their own. What they really want is the \_\_\_ H \_\_\_ of small-scale industry based on minor forest produce, and that such an enterprise should be managed by their gram sabhas. They want the provisions of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 and the Panchayats (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996 to be implemented. Above all, the government must respect the principle of obtaining prior informed consent of their gram sabhas when there is a proposal to \_\_\_ I \_\_\_ forestlands for so-called development projects. But, instead, when they collectively demand such rights, false charges and cases are \_\_\_ J \_\_\_ on their local leaders, and they are subjected to state violence. When they challenge the violence which serves to reproduce and maintain their oppression, they are branded as Maoists, and the state resorts to increased militarisation to safeguard the interests of the mining projects.

**A.**

A. Tipped off

B. Notified

C. Alerted

D. Convey

E. All are appropriate

**B.**

A. Indiscriminately

B. Selectively

C. Unhesitatingly

D. Uncritically

E. All are appropriate

**C.**

A. Noisy

B. Raurcous

C. Repentant

D. Boisterous

E. All are appropriate

**D.**

A. Blurs

B. Removed

C. Smudging

D. Clouded

E. All are appropriate

**E.**

A. Allied

B. Banded

C. Put

D. Clubbed

E. All are appropriate

**F.**

A. Cruelty

B. Ferocity

C. Barbarism

D. Viciousness

E. All are appropriate

**G.**

**I. Rake in**

**II. Earn**

**III. Scraping**

**IV. Gauge**

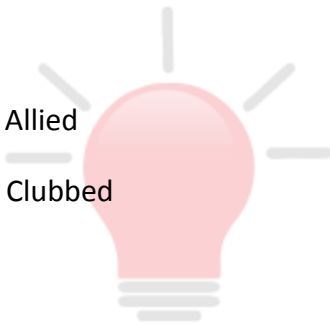
A. Only II

B. Only III and IV

C. Only II, III and IV

D. Only I, III and IV

E. All are appropriate



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H.

I. Outcome    II. Development    III. Growth    IV. Incident

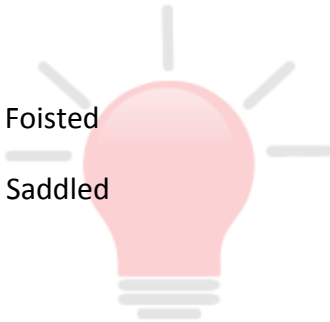
- A. Only II    B. Only I and III    C. Only I and IV  
D. Only I, II and IV    E. All are appropriate

I.

- A. Divert    B. Re-direct    C. Distract  
D. Reroute    E. All are appropriate

J.

- A. Foisted    B. Imposed    C. Charged  
D. Saddled    E. All are appropriate



### Correct answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
D	B	C	C	A	B	B	C	C	E

### Explanations:

1.

As per the passage till now, the security forces came to know about the presence of Maoists and went for them. The words notified/alerted/tipped-off all fit in well and imply that they were informed about the Maoists. However, convey is grammatically incorrect as it means expressed. Expressed about their presence does not make sense.

Hence, option D is correct.

2.

As per the statement, the forces killed all of the Maoists. Thus, the firing was done without any hesitation. Options A, C and D convey this point but option B- Selectively- means the opposite and is incorrect.

Hence, option B is correct.

3.

As per the statement, the security forces were promoted and awarded and celebrations were on. Options A, B and D all mean noisy/loud celebrations and fit well with the context. However, repentant means to feel bad about an action and does not fit in with celebrating an event.

Hence, option C does not fit in.

4.

Here, the author wants to state that the forces did not differentiate between combatants and non-combatants and killed everybody. While all the words are correct in terms of meaning, smudging is grammatically incorrect as the correct word has to be in the past tense as the event has already taken place.

Thus, option C does not fit in.

**5.**

As per the statement, a number of innocent people were killed and then they were put together with the Maoists and termed as Maoists too.

Banded and clubbed also have the same meaning as put. However, allied means to team up with somebody and does not fit in here.

Hence, option A is correct.

**6.**

As per the statement, there were marks on the body of one of the victims which suggests the use of force and cruelty. Options A, C and D portray this cruel behavior. However, option C-ferocity- means ferocious/wild/untamed/extreme and does not fit in.

Hence, option B is correct.

**7.**

As per the statement, the author says that the Establishment only cares about making as much profit as possible. Rake in means to gather/collect. Earn is also correct.

Scraping means to scratch while gauge means to assess. Neither III nor IV fits in.

Hence, option B is correct.

**8.**

As per the statement, the forest dwellers only want proper growth/development of their small scale industries. Outcome and incident do not make sense in the blanks.

Hence, option C is correct.

**9.**

The statement refers to using forestland for development projects i.e. use them for something else. This meaning is conveyed well by Options A, B and D. However, option C-distract- refers to preventing (someone) from concentrating on something. This clearly does not fit at all.

Hence, option C is correct.

**10.**

The statement conveys that false charges are imposed on the innocent forest dwellers by the Establishment. All the words convey this well and fit in the blank.

Hence, option E is correct.



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