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Ex 76

**Direction:** In the following passage, some of the words have been highlighted in bold. First read the passage and try to understand what it is about. Then replace the highlighted words with the correct option in order to make grammatical and contextual sense. In case the highlighted word is correct as it is, mark 'No Improvement' as the right answer.

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the re-introduction of the Code on Wages Bill. This will make minimum wages **(A) attributed** for both formal and informal sectors, enable transfer of wages through the direct benefit transfer mechanism and **(B) bolster** the system for redressing the grievances of labourers. The Bill was introduced during the 16th Lok Sabha and the Standing Committee had also given its report. However, it could not be passed, and hence, it **(C) lasted**. This necessitated fresh approval by the Cabinet before re-introduction in the Lok Sabha. The proposed Bill aims to **(D) materialize** four central laws — the Payment of Wages Act, 1936, the Minimum Wages Act, 1948, the Payment of Bonus Act, 1965 and the Equal Remuneration Act, 1976. The new Bill is expected to be introduced during the ongoing session of Parliament. According to sources, the proposed Bill will provide for all essential elements relating to wages, equal remuneration, and bonus. The provisions relating to wages will be applicable to all employments covering both organised and unorganised sectors. The power to fix minimum wages continues to be **(E) vested** in the Central and State governments in their respective spheres.

1. A.

A. Eligible                      B. Applicable                      C. Attested                      D. Targeted                      E. No improvement

2. B.

A. Encourage                      B. Terminate                      C. Ratify                      D. Gratify                      E. No improvement

3. C.

A. Tracked                      B. Lapsed                      C. Earned                      D. Framed                      E. No improvement

4. D.

A. Accentuate                      B. Function                      C. Merge                      D. Determine                      E. No improvement

5. E.

A. Vetted                      B. Regretted                      C. Defected                      D. Traded                      E. No improvement

**Correct Answers:**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
B	E	B	C	E



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## Explanations:

1. According to the given context, we are talking about merging of various laws related to the direct benefit transfer mechanism for payment of wages to the workers in the formal and informal sector of the country. This new law will take into account various existing laws and one law will be there for controlling the wages prevalent in the country. The word used in this context is not correct since we are saying that the new law will be applicable for both the formal sector and the informal sector in the country. *Attributed* implies that *something is dedicated to something* and it is not going in the context. Among the given words, *applicable* will be the correct word for the given context. Other words can be eliminated since they do not go with the given context.

This makes Option B the correct choice among the given options.

2. As per the given context, we can understand that the new law will take into account the grievances of the labourers and the new system will also redress such grievances. According to the new bill introduced in the Parliament, the new system has understood the point that the labourers are the most important beings in the whole system and that is why the transfer of wages has also been included in the DBT mechanism. Now the given word *bolster* implies that *something will encourage* and this is the perfect fit for the given context. Hence, no improvement is required to be carried out in this case.

This makes Option E the correct choice among the given options.

3. In the given context, we are talking about the history of the present Code on Wages Bill introduced in the Parliament and it is said that the bill was introduced last time also but since the Parliament was dissolved, the bill also could not be taken up as a continuation. As a result of that we can say that the bill must have lapsed at the end of the period of the last Lok Sabha. Among the given words, we have *lapsed* and that will be the correct pick once the context is understood.

This makes Option B the correct choice among the given options.

4. According to the given context, we are saying that certain laws will be put together in order to make the new law and it will take care of a lot of thing such as uniform pay structure for the formal and the informal sector in the country. Also the grievances of the labourers will be addressed in this new legislation with sincerity so that they do not remain there for long. Now among the given word we can say that *merge* will be the correct word here since four laws of the central government will come together in order to put forward this law. Other words do not fit in the context and that is why they can be eliminated.

This makes Option C the correct choice among the given options.

5. From the given context, it is said that the power to fix the minimum wages will be decided by the central government and the state governments. Therefore it is clear that the power will be provided to

these authorities only and *vested* is the correct word for this context. So no improvement is required here.

This makes Option E the correct choice among the given options.



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