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## **Odd Sentence Out Questions for Bank Exams (IBPS RRB, IBPS SO Pre, IBPS Clerk, IBPS PO & SBI Clerk)**

### **Odd Sentence Out Quiz 1**

Directions: Five statements are given below, labelled A, B, C, D and E, among these, four statements are in logical order and form a coherent paragraph/passage. From the given options, choose the option that does not fit into the theme of the passage.

**1.**

**A. It has now become too easy to brand anyone articulating differences with a homogenous construct of nationalism.**

**B. The alternative progressive nationalism would entail a different understanding of India, with the focal point being the unprivileged, and would advocate going beyond the confines of territorial nationalism.**

**C. This is because cultural nationalism — an idea that has been associated with those in power today — basically seeks to subsume the “other” within a limiting construct of the self and the nation.**

**D. This also explains why cultural nationalists played a peripheral and even regressive role in the freedom struggle.**

**E. Dalits who reject Brahminical Hinduism, leftists and secular intellectuals who reject Hindutva, beef-eaters, inter-religious couples and even dissidents who argue for freedom from hunger, patriarchy and caste oppression, are branded as “anti-national”.**

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

2.

A. Through advancement of technology and broadband connection almost in all households the method of piracy has changed from physical reproduction and distribution to online distribution.

B. Recent reports about the change in copyright infringement warnings on various websites have triggered anxiety among many Internet users in India.

C. Internet users in India, many of whom routinely use torrent sites to access a range of entertainment and other content, are understandably worried about the new punitive rhetoric that underlies the warning.

D. While the government has maintained a list of banned websites for quite some time, the warning that one earlier saw merely mentioned that the website had been blocked under directions from the Department of Telecommunications, while the new message warns against the viewing, downloading, exhibition and duplication of the contents of the URL as being offences which are punishable under Sections 63, 63-A, 65 and 65-A of the Copyright Act.

E. It may therefore be useful to unpack what the law actually says on the point and also examine the impulse behind this rhetorical shift within the logic of copyright enforcement.

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

3.

A. For the first time the government seems to be prepared for goods and services tax (GST) but the corporate world seems to be grappling with the regulation.

B. There would be many goods and services which would be out of GST so it would provide benefit to common man in respect of taxes.

C. Even as most of the top companies have roped in some tax and tech specialists to implement GST, some of the mid-scale and small companies are finding it tough to adapt to the indirect tax regime.

D. The government on its part has uploaded some of the basic tech programmes on several of its platforms to help smaller companies.

E. However, the impact of GST is set to be across the board from taxation, technology and even on a company's growth strategy.

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

4.

A. The virus is transmitted by the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito, which is also responsible for the spread of dengue and chikungunya.

B. Chikungunya virus is a pathogen transmitted by mosquitoes, and has established itself in the Caribbean approximately 350,000 suspected cases in the Western Hemisphere since December 2013.

C. It stems from a huge surge in babies being born with microcephaly, a rare, incurable condition in which their heads are abnormally small.

**D. An obscure mosquito-borne virus, Zika, is on the prowl and has already caused an “unprecedented situation” in the world of scientific research.**

**E. The virus gets its name from the Zika forest in Uganda, Africa, where it was first identified in rhesus monkeys in 1947.**

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

**5.**

**A. The government is also seeking to define a new category of business — ‘Innovative Start-ups’ — to distinguish them from micro, small, medium and large enterprises that are built on conventional business models.**

**B. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will release the blueprint of ‘Start Up India’ programme which may include a Startups and Entrepreneurship Law to make it easier for setting up new ventures and closing unviable ones, besides clearing regulatory issues that hamper access to finance.**

**C. The government will unveil a blueprint for startups to ease the process of setting up new ventures.**

**D. This will funnel tech based talent to the startup ecosystem which can then further innovate and create business opportunities.**

**E. The Start Up India policy would thus attempt to address key concerns the government wants to fix in India’s start-up ecosystem.**

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

6.

A. It has a very low density of physicians and nurses, which stand at 2.7 and 12.4 per 10,000 people, respectively, against a world average of 13.9 and 28.6 and this is also reflected in hospital beds and specialised medical equipment.

B. Even though its own health indices are nothing to be proud of, India's engagement with Africa is growing at a rapid pace in the sunrise sector of health care.

C. Infectious diseases such as tuberculosis, malaria, HIV/AIDS, childhood diarrhoea and respiratory infections remain big challenges.

D. While Africa is quite diverse, the numbers show poor capacity in the health sector, especially human resource.

E. The telemedicine initiative has enabled a number of super-specialty hospitals in India to be connected with physicians in Africa, impacting not just health tourism in India, but also capacity building in Africa through continuing medical education (CME) credits.

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

7.

A. A fair wage is lower than the living wage and takes into account efficiency, from the employer's perspective.

B. The resolution passed at the 15th Indian Labour Conference in 1957 mandates taking into account five factors for calculating the minimum wage.

**C. The Tripartite Committee on Fair Wages, appointed in 1948, defined three different levels of wages: a living wage, a fair wage, and a minimum wage.**

**D. Today, there is broad consensus among patriotic businessmen and nationalist policymakers that mandating a living wage or even a fair wage for Indian workers is a ridiculous idea not worth discussing.**

**E. Living wage is what a human being needs to get the basic essentials of food, shelter, clothing, protection against ill-health, security for old age, etc.**

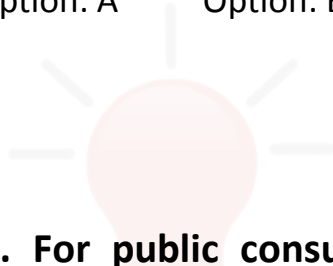
Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E



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**8.**

**A. For public consumption the Finance Minister announces in his Budget that he has allocated the highest amount of funds for the implementation of the law, but in reality, States are being starved of funds.**

**B. There is a pithy saying in Hindi that the elephant has two sets of teeth, one for show and the other to eat.**

**C. The court had directed both the State Government and the Government of India to make all efforts to encourage needy persons to come forward and take advantage of the scheme.**

**D. This seems an apt description of the approach of the central government towards the implementation of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).**

**E. Most shockingly Rs. 2,723 crore was owed to workers in drought-hit States, the most vulnerable and desperate for livelihood.**

Option: A      Option: B      Option: C      Option: D      Option: E

9.

**A. Forest Department records do not mention the significant role the tree species plays in providing livelihood security to people.**

**B. We have constantly seen fraudulent Environment Impact Assessments (EIA) which undermine the ecological value of areas that are proposed to be dammed, mined or diverted.**

**C. The environmental consultant had deliberately avoided making a reference to the species.**

**D. For example, the Monpa community in Arunachal Pradesh's Tawang district had to struggle for three years to prove before the NGT that the riverine area proposed for the construction of a dam is the one of the two wintering sites of the black-necked crane, a protected species held sacred by Buddhists.**

**E. While the Supreme Court has called for a "species best interest standard", last year, one rhinoceros was killed almost every two weeks in the Kaziranga National Park.**

Option: A      Option: B      Option: C      Option: D      Option: E



10.

**A. According to some reports, the assisted-reproduction sector may now be worth as high as \$2 billion, with more than 25,000 surrogate children being born every year in the country.**

**B. The argument — a classically libertarian one — that women have a fundamental right to contract, and a fundamental right to personal liberty, which together permit them to use their bodies as they please, however, cannot be readily dismissed.**

**C. Commercial surrogacy involves an agreement in which a woman, in exchange for money, agrees to carry a child for another person to whom she will surrender the child when it is born.**

**D. Since 2002, when the Indian Council for Medical Research issued a set of non-binding regulations that envisaged transactional surrogacy, these forms of arrangements have flourished in India.**

**E. But in the absence of any legislation controlling the industry, Premila Vaghela's case in which Premila, the wife of a daily wage labourer had opted to become a surrogate mother, died due to unexplained complications, has scarcely proved an exception.**

Option: A

Option: B

Option: C

Option: D

Option: E

**Correct Answers:**

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
B	A	B	B	D	C	B	C	E	B

**Explanations:**

**1.**

The writer in sentence A opens the discussion while stating his or her concerns about current interpretation of nationalism and the narration that follows.

If we read all the sentences carefully, we can observe that the passage centres around cultural nationalism as it has been described in sentence C. But, sentence B on the other hand quotes 'confines of territorial nationalism' and hence becomes a bit irrelevant in the context.

Clearly, option B is the correct answer.

**2.**

Sentence B starts the passage by introducing the punitive rhetoric underlying the warning about accessing torrent websites.

If we read the other sentences carefully, we can infer that except the sentence A, all others discuss the new war on piracy whereas the sentence A tells us how online piracy actually came into existence.

Clearly, the sentence A is an odd one here.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

**3.**

Sentence A sets the tone of the passage by stating the preparation of government regarding GST and apprehensions shown by the corporate world towards its regulation.

If we read all the sentences carefully, we can infer that except the sentence B, all others centre around the implementation of GST on companies whereas the sentence B informs us about how GST is going to benefit the common man.

Clearly, option B is the correct answer.

**4.**

Sentence D starts the passage introducing Zika, a little-known mosquito-borne virus and its effect in the world of scientific research.

If we read the other sentences, we can observe that except the sentence B, all other sentences describes its effect on babies being born, its discovery and cause of its spread in sentence C, E and A respectively.

Clearly, sentence B is an odd one in the sequence as it discusses Chikungunya virus and thus diverts the context.

**5.**

Sentence C starts the passage with introduction of the government's purpose of launching a blueprint for Startup ecosystem.

We can observe from the given sentences that except the sentence D, all others discuss the idea of Government's initiative to help build a Startup ecosystem in the country, classification of Startups and key concerns it would attempt to address to help Startups flourish.

However, the keyword 'tech based talent' in the sentence D brings absurdity in the flow of the sentences and deviates from the context.

Clearly, option D is the correct answer.

**6.**

In such questions, as we need not actually rearrange the sentences in a proper order and as we just need to pick the odd sentence out, it becomes easy for us to answer the question correctly.

Among the given sentences, the sentence D sets the tone of the passage by discussing Africa's poor capacity in the health-care sector. Sentence A presents some data in the continuity of the paragraph. Sentence B and sentence E take the discussion further and depict India's engagement with Africa in improving the health care sector in Africa.

Clearly, sentence C is a misfit here which might be a part of a preceding paragraph.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

**7.**

Sentence D opens the paragraph with introduction of three different levels of wages. While sentence E as well as sentence A defines what the first two of these three wages are, the definition of the third wage – a minimum wage is missing in the rest of the sentences. Instead, sentence B depicts some factors for the calculation of the minimum wage. At the same time sentence D is clearly the concluding statement of the paragraph as it expresses what mindset the businessmen and policymakers have regarding the wages for Indian workers.

Clearly, option B is a misfit here as it doesn't go well with the context.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

**8.**

The paragraph talks about the negligence the MGNREGA is receiving from the current government at the centre and the sentence B sets the tone of the passage by referring to a Hindi saying that implies the same.

Sentence D and sentence A follow one after the other while narrating the same chain of thoughts.

Sentence E states an example of the negligence shown by the government.

Clearly, sentence C is a misfit here and can be picked as an odd sentence here.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

**9.**

Among the given sentences, the sentence B sets the tone of the passage with introduction of the fraudulent assessments done undermining the ecological value of areas that are proposed to be dammed, mined or diverted.

We can observe that all the sentences centre around the fraudulent assessments, except the sentence E that quotes an example of mismanagement or instances of security lapse in one of the most famous National parks of India.

Clearly, option E is the correct answer.

**10.**

Among the given sentences, all the sentences except the sentence B centre around the concept of commercial surrogacy, the worth of the sector in the country and the need to bring a legislation controlling the industry to protect the rights of the meek.

Sentence B, however, expresses an argument that's somehow doesn't fit in the context of the paragraph.

Option B is hence the correct answer.



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