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## Odd Sentence Out Questions for IBPS PO PRE, SBI PO PRE, SBI CLERK MAINS & IBPS CLERK MAINS

### Odd Sentence Out Quiz 3

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. During the framing of the Constitution, the subject of cow slaughter was one of the most fraught and contentious topics of debate.

B. This dispute over prohibiting the sale of cows and buffaloes for slaughter at animal markets has a history, which goes back to the founding of the Republic.

C. The Supreme Court rejected these arguments and upheld the laws, but it did so by focussing its reasoning entirely on — apparent — economic considerations.

D. Proponents of a cow slaughter ban advanced a mix of cultural and economic arguments, invoking the “sentiments of thirty crores of population” on the one hand, and the indispensability of cattle in an agrarian economy on the other.

E. Seth Govind Das, a member of the Constituent Assembly, framed it as a “civilisational problem from the time of Lord Krishna”, and called for the prohibition of cow slaughter to be made part of the Constitution’s chapter on fundamental rights, on a par with the prohibition of untouchability.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

2.

A. There was a time in our country when prejudice was not allowed to blatantly declare itself.

B. We hear far more strident voices against reservation, against allowing communities to eat what they want, against norms of behaviour of women and such voices are getting normalised and have become part of our public gossip.

C. There was a time when there was something that was shameful about publicly stating one's prejudices.

D. Repeatedly, we hear statements about caste, religion, the poor and the marginalised, in public domains and in public conversations as if they are matters of fact and not fictions of prejudice.

E. The prejudices inherent in our media are compounded by those inherent in our education system.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

3.

A. The honest answer is in the negative as the approaches of India and China towards Africa are essentially different.

B. This was reflected in deliberations at the annual meeting of the African Development Bank (AfDB) recently.

C. The AfDB's decision to hold its meeting here in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, demonstrated its confidence in recent achievements and future prospects of the Indian economy.

D. India-Africa engagement is getting stronger with the active involvement of political and business leaders of both sides.

E. AfDB president Akinwumi Adesina called India "a developing beacon for the rest of the world", adding that the time was right for India and Africa to forge "winning partnerships".

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

4.

A. Corruption is pervasive across government departments, and Mr. Ghani is yet to begin delivering on his promise to streamline governance.

B. The problem in Afghanistan has political, diplomatic and security dimensions.

C. Politically, the government is seen to be corrupt, incompetent, and unable to get its act together.

D. Even so, the repeated strikes in the most fortified areas with mounting casualties demonstrate a steadily deteriorating security situation.

E. President Ashraf Ghani and Chief Executive Abdullah Abdullah are reportedly not on the same page on key issues.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

5.

A. Passed in 2016, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code was formulated to make the process of shutting down and exiting a business easier and less time-consuming.

B. The code aims to bring this down to within a year.

C. When a firm defaults on its debt, its control will shift to a committee of creditors.

D. Apart from helping companies, it was also expected to improve India's rankings in the World Bank's ease of doing business index.

E. India currently ranks 130th overall — out of 189 countries — and 136th on the parameter of 'resolving insolvency', with the World Bank saying it takes four years to resolve a bankruptcy case.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

6.

A. The ordinance enables the Union government to authorise the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to direct banking companies to resolve the issues related to specific stressed assets, by initiating insolvency resolution process wherever required.

B. The Banking Regulation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 was passed to deal with stressed assets, particularly those in consortium or multiple banking arrangements.

C. The RBI has also been empowered to issue other directions for resolution, and appoint or approve for appointment, authorities or committees to advise banking companies for stressed asset resolution.

D. The comprehensive approach is part of the effective implementation of various schemes through resolution or problems related to stressed assets.

E. The government has introduced two more provisions — Sections 35A and 35AB, under Section 35A of the Banking Regulation of Act of 1949 through which banking companies can initiate insolvency proceedings.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

7. A. Current social science research shows that an individual's sense of responsibility is linked to the organisational characteristics within which they work.

B. This leaves individuals at the local level with virtually no sense of responsibility towards many of the policy decisions a government takes and they are left to interpret the party's core concerns the way they wish.

C. Over the past few years, India has witnessed too many discomfoting actions and events on behalf of its political class.

D. This is buttressed by the failure of parties to cultivate a sense of ownership for local politicians in the larger issues facing the nation.

E. The hierarchical nature of Indian parties means this lower rung simply does not feel the same level of responsibility towards the larger goal set by the party.

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

**8.**

**A. R Ashwin has never been one to hide his ambition.**

**B. Virat has backed it up, leading the batting group in shaping contests and empowering his bowlers to win them.**

**C. When his international career was still young, Ashwin said in an interview that he wanted to dominate the game.**

**D. He is just the third bowler, after Dale Steyn and Mitchell Johnson, to be named ICC Cricketer of the Year.**

**E. Last year in December, the realisation of this dream was formally recognised. Ashwin became the first spinner to win cricket's biggest individual prize, the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy, since the award was instituted 12 years ago.**

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

**9.**

**A. A recent event in Delhi brought together two Indian winners of the 2016 Ramon Magsaysay Award, Bezwada Wilson and T.M. Krishna, in a wide-ranging conversation about freedom of expression, nationalism and inequality, issues of pressing concern.**

**B. The Magsaysay Award jury was astute indeed in recognising the laudable public spiritedness of both Wilson and Krishna, and their common concern with the problem of caste.**

**C. They come from absolutely unrelated areas of engagement, and from personal backgrounds that are far apart, but what is remarkable is how they converge in their social activism as well as their shared ability to communicate clearly and forcefully with large audiences.**

**D. Untouchability may have been outlawed through Article 17 of the Indian Constitution, but that is only the most extreme way to keep human beings and fellow citizens apart.**

**E. The two men share a commitment to free speech and equal citizenship, to addressing entrenched forms of exclusion, discrimination and violence based on caste, to democratic rights and the Indian Constitution.**

A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E

10. A. Latest data from the National Family Health Survey 2015-16 (NFHS-4) show that in most of the States for which data is available, overweight men and women far outnumber underweight ones, in some instances double the number.

B. Health and nutrition are two areas where India's achievements have not been quite up to the mark during the previous era of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), particularly given the high economic growth in the last decade.

C. At the same time, India is undergoing simultaneous transitions.

D. In parallel, a nutritional transition is happening — earlier, India was characterised by a high prevalence of under nutrition, but this era has also brought a double burden of under nutrition as well as over nutrition.

E. A health SDG index released in September by The Lancet ranked India at 143 among 188 countries and in the Global Hunger Index published by the International Food Policy Research Institute in October, India is ranked 97th among a total of 118 countries, signifying a high level of hunger and under nutrition.

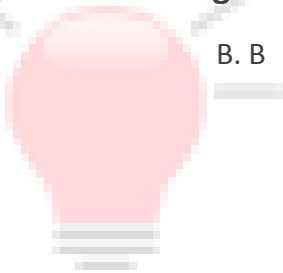
A. A

B. B

C. C

D. D

E. E



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Correct Answers:

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

## Explanations :

- 1.** If we read all the sentences carefully we can infer that the paragraph centres around the history of the debate over cow slaughtering issue in India. However, among the sentences given, all except sentence C are in line with the context.

The sentence C is clearly a part of some other paragraph and must be the odd one out here.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

- 2.** The whole paragraph centres around how being prejudiced was considered in the past and how it is being seen in today's era.

We can observe that all the sentences except E, are general and take the whole context into consideration whereas the sentence E specifically talks about prejudices in our education system.

Clearly, option E is a misfit here.

Option E is hence the correct answer.

- 3.** While all the sentences, except A, talk about the synergy between India and Africa in terms of politics and business, sentence A points towards the difference in the approaches of India and China towards Africa.

Clearly, sentence A is a misfit here.

Option A is hence the correct answer.

- 4.** Clearly, the sentence B opens the discussion by asserting the problems Afghanistan has been facing on different fronts. We can observe that all the sentences, except D, are in line with the idea discussed in the sentence B.

Sentence D would have also been considered a part of the paragraph, had the adverbial phrase 'Even so' not been there. Usage of 'Even so' indicates a contradiction but among the sentences given, all seem to be pointing towards the problems in Afghanistan.

Clearly, option D is the correct answer.

- 5.** While all the sentences, except C, centre around 'What the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code is', the sentence C expresses 'What the Code seeks to do' which must be a part of a latter paragraph.

Clearly, sentence C is a misfit here.

Option C is hence the correct answer.



- 6.** Among the sentences given, all the sentences, except D, centre around the Banking Regulation Ordinance and how the government has empowered the RBI to take steps to resolve the issues related to specific stressed assets, whereas the sentence D talks about a broader view and implementation part of the approach.

Clearly, option D is a misfit here in the given particular paragraph.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

- 7.** While all the sentences talk about how and why the individuals at lower level of a political party in India does not feel his or her responsibility towards organization's goals or objectives and thus acts irresponsibly, the sentence C expresses the same concern but in a broader perspective and thus it seems to be a part of an earlier or a latter paragraph, but the given one.

Option C is hence the correct answer.

- 8.** The whole paragraph, except the sentence B, centres around the R Ashwin, his ambition, his success in the game of Cricket and the accolades he received because of his game. The sentence B, however, stresses Virat has backed his team players up – both batsmen and the bowlers to perform and win the games.

Clearly, sentence B is a misfit here in the context of the paragraph.

Option B is hence the correct answer.

- 9.** The whole paragraph, except sentence D, talks about Bezwada Wilson and T M Krishna, the two Magsaysay Award 2016 winners, their viewpoints and a little bit of their back-grounds, whereas the sentence D opens another discussion on untouchability, which is a clear misfit in the context of the paragraph.

Option D is hence the correct answer.

- 10.** If we read all the sentences carefully, we can observe that while the two sentences B and E discuss India's current status in terms of Health and nutrition, the sentences C and D talk about how India, at present, is transitioning into era of double burden of under nutrition as well as over nutrition.

The sentence A, however, doesn't align to either chain of ideas as it starts a discussion on the level of obesity between men and women across Indian states.

Option A is hence the correct answer.



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