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Fill in the blanks Questions for SBI Clerk Mains, IBPS Clerk Mains, SBI PO Pre, IBPS PO Pre, Canara Bank PO, Syndicate Bank PO, and LIC AAO Pre Exams.

Fill in the blanks Quiz 39

Directions: In the following question a sentence is given with two blanks. You have to choose the correct pair of words that fill the blanks correctly in terms of grammar and context.

Questions:

- Iran and India, with the _____ of the other countries, must cooperate closely to _____ the capabilities of the Afghan government.
A. resistance, overpower
B. assistance, improve
C. help, guide
D. support, ensure
E. co-operation, deplete
- The film 'Udta Punjab' faced several cuts at the hands of the censor board and _____ before its release but Alia won _____ for her portrayal.
A. leaked, praise
B. watch, critics
C. measured, criticism
D. looked, battle
E. reviewed, critics
- An FIR has been registered _____ cricketers Hardik Pandya and K L Rahul and filmmaker Karan Johar for their _____ remarks against women on the celebrity chat show 'Koffee With Karan'.
A. with, calculative
B. against, controversial
C. by, conflict
D. against, controversy
E. by, trajectory
- Trump put Pakistan on notice for _____ terrorist organisations to destabilise neighbouring countries and _____ the country.
A. discouraging, admired
B. demoting, attacked
C. sheltering, acclaimed
D. encouraging, warned
E. rewarding, accused
- Pakistan's foreign currency reserves have _____ to around \$8 billion, just enough to _____ about two months of imports.
A. risen, meet
B. cut, reserve
C. dwindled, cover
D. demolished, save
E. diminished, ask
- While India's post-independence rural policy was about _____ agricultural labour to cities, we need a dual approach to incentivising job creation at rural India's _____.

A. migrating, doorstep
D. shifting, doorstep

B. mitigating, ease
E. Both A and D

C. transforming, reach

7. As the _____ of jobs is changing worldwide, the private sector is unable to _____ absorb the entrant workforce.

A. mood, fully
D. value, rightly

B. qualification, maximum
E. Both B and D

C. nature, adequately

8. Widening the tax-payer base has a redistributive effect in _____ inequality and is the biggest _____ of free-market economies.

A. abridging, flaw
D. bridging, leveler

B. addressing, quality
E. Both A and D

C. perceiving, radical

9. The Balakot factor could be an _____ point in shifting sentiments in favour of a strong, majority government returning to power in _____ to a rag-a-tag coalition.

A. turning, accordance
D. important, diffidence

B. inflection, preference
E. None of these

C. intentional, reference

10. The parties in opposition are _____ the state government in UP over delay in processing of sugarcane _____.

A. attacking, arrears
D. applauding, arrears

B. targeting, field
E. Both A and B

C. discouraging, farmers

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Correct Answers:

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

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Explanations:

1. Option A- resistance and overpower do not fit into the context. As if other countries will resist then how come Iran and India will overpower Afghanistan.

Option B- Both the words suit the context absolutely and are grammatically also correct.

Hence option B is correct.

2. Option A- Both the words suit the context absolutely and are grammatically also correct.

Hence option A is correct.

3. Option A – ‘with’ is not going well with FIR, because an FIR is registered against or registered by someone, but not registered with.

Option B – Both the words are correct as FIR is registered against the said personalities due to their controversial remarks.

Hence option B is correct.

4. Option A – ‘Discouraging’ terrorism and then “destabilization” of neighboring countries are contrary to each other.

Option B – If terrorism is ‘demoted’ by Pakistan then there is no point for US to “attack” Pakistan because Pakistan was on back-foot due to its terrorism friendly image.

Option C – ‘Acclaimed’ means to praise, which is contradictory to the “notice” being issued by Trump.

Option D – Both the words fit the blank absolutely well, as “encouragement” of terrorism by Pakistan leads to destabilizing environment in neighboring countries, for which Trump “warned” Pakistan.

Hence option D is correct.

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5. Option A - 'risen' and 'meet' are contradictory with respect to the context. As if reserves have risen it would have no issues in giving payment of imports.

Option B – 'Cutting' reserves won't ensure the reserve fund for payment of imports, thus both the words are absurd.

Option C – 'Dwindling' of reserves has led the situation that it has reached to such a low level that Pakistan could pay for two months of import only.

Thus both the words fit the blank contextually and grammatically correctly.

Hence option C is correct.

6. Option B- mitigating which means 'making something less severe' is out of the context, thus it makes option B incorrect.

Option C- transforming is a wrong word here to be used.

Option A and Option D both make correct choices for the blanks.

Hence option E is correct.

7. 'Mood of jobs' does not sound meaningful, thus option A is not correct.

'Maximum' is grammatically incorrect if placed in the second blank, thus option B is also incorrect.

Both the words of option C fit the blanks perfectly.

Hence option C is correct.

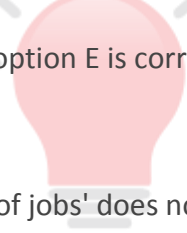
8. Option A is incorrect as abridging the income gap cannot be a flaw for an economy, thus flaw does not suit the second blank.

Option B is incorrect as mere addressing the inequality can't be the biggest quality of an economy, thus both the words are not complimenting each other.

Option C is incorrect as perceiving does not suit the context.

Option D is correct as by narrowing the income parity, one can level the things, thus both the words are complimentary to each other and make a meaningful and grammatically correct sentence.

Hence option D is correct.



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9. Option A is wrong as use of vowel 'an' before the first blank refers to a word starting with vowel to be used here.

Option C is also incorrect as intentional point does not make any sense to the sentence.

Option D is wrong as 'diffidence' which means 'modesty or shyness resulting from a lack of self-confidence' is out of the context.

Option B is correct as 'inflection point' means a turning point or a game changer, which absolutely matches the context.

Hence option B is correct.

10. Option D is incorrect as 'delay' is a negative word here whereas 'applaud' which means 'to praise someone' is a positive one. So, nobody can be praised for making delay in something.

Option B is incorrect as 'field' can't be processed.

Option C is also wrong as 'processing of sugarcane farmers' does not make any sense.

Option A is absolutely correct as 'delay in processing of sugarcane arrears' makes sense and opposition will obviously attack the present government for such an act.

Hence option A is correct.

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