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# Seating Arrangement Questions for SBI PO Pre, IBPS PO Pre, IBPS Clerk Mains and SBI Clerk Mains Exams.

#### Set No 62

Directions: Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given beside.

Ten friends Amol, Darsh, Farhan, Isaac, Jason, Kabir, Laksh, Neel, Samar and Ranbir are sitting in two parallel rows. Each row has six seats. Ten people are sitting on ten seats and there are two vacant seats. Therefore in the given seating arrangement each member seated in a row faces another member of the other row. In Row-1, all are facing south and in Row-2 all are facing north direction. In each row at least one vacant seat is there. Each of them likes different food namely Almond, Bread, Corn, Fish, Gumbo, Hot Dogs, Moose, Ostrich, Reuben and Toast. All the above information is not necessarily in the same order.

Neel sits second to the left of Isaac, who sits opposite to the one who like Reuben. The one who like Corn sits second to the right of the one who likes Fish. Jason sits third to the right of the one who likes Toast. The one who likes Almond sits immediate right of Isaac. Laksh sits second to the right of vacant seat of Row-1. Ranbir sits opposite to the one who is an immediate neighbour of Farhan. Two persons sit between the one who likes Reuben and the one who likes Moose, who sits at extreme end. Vacant seats are not at the extreme end. The one who likes Fish is sitting at extreme end. The one who likes Corn and the one who likes Ostrich sit opposite to each other. The one who likes Toast and the one who likes Gumbo sit opposite to each other. Samar sits second to the left of Kabir and does not like either Reuben or Gumbo. The one who likes Fish and the one who likes Bread sit diagonally opposite to each other. Only one person sits between Amol and Ranbir.

| likes Bread sit dia | agonally opposite to e | each other. Only one | person sits between Amo | ol and Ranbir.         |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Who sits se      | cond to the left of    | the one who like     | s Ostrich?              |                        |
| A. Isaac            | B. Ranbir              | C. Laksh             | D. Neel                 | E. Samar               |
| 2. How many Jason?  | persons sit betwe      | en the one who li    | ke Gumbo and the or     | ne who sit opposite to |
| A. One              | B. Two                 | C. Three             | D. Either Two or        | Three E. None          |
| 3. Who sits se      | cond to the right o    | of the one who sit   | s opposite to the one   | who like Almond?       |
| A. Amol             | B. Neel                | C. Farhan            | D. Kabir                | E. Vacant seat         |
| 4. Which of th      | ne combinations o      | f persons are seat   | ed in same row?         |                        |
| A. Jason, Amol, Is  | saac B. Ranbi          | r, Amol, Laksh       | C. Isaac, Darsh, Samar  | D. Laksh, Neel, Amol   |

## 5. Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence form a group. Which of the following does not belong to the group?

A. Farhan and the one who like Toast

B. Isaac and the one who like Ostrich

C. Laksh and the one who like Bread

E. Isaac, Darsh, Farhan

D. Kabir and the one who like Almond

E. Jason and the one who like Corn

#### **Correct Answers:**

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| В | Α | D | Е | С |

#### **Common Explanations:**

#### References

Therefore in the given seating arrangement each members seated in a row faces another members of the other row.

In Row-1, all are facing south and in Row-2 all are facing north direction.

Two persons sit between the one who like Reuben and the one who like Moose, who sits at extreme end.

Neel sits second to the left of Isaac, who sits opposite to the one who like Reuben.

The one who like Almond sits immediate right of Isaac.

#### Inferences

From above statements,

- •Note: Given, all the persons are facing each other, then vacant seats also opposite to each other.
- •Also, we don't know who are all in each rows. So we have to solve based on the possibility.
- •The one who like Moose, who sits at extreme end. Here we get 4 possibilities

Based on the other statements, we get following initial seating as shown,

| , 800 8 8                 |  |      |  |       |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|--|------|--|-------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Case: 1                   |  |      |  |       |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Row-1 (South) Food Reuben |  |      |  |       |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons                   |  |      |  |       |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                           |  |      |  |       |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons                   |  | Neel |  | Isaac |        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North)     |  |      |  |       | Almond |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Case: 1-A             |      |  |        |        |  |       |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|------|--|--------|--------|--|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food |      |  | Reuben |        |  | Moose |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |      |  |        |        |  |       |  |  |  |  |
|                       |      |  |        |        |  |       |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               | Neel |  | Isaac  |        |  |       |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) |      |  |        | Almond |  |       |  |  |  |  |

|                       | Case: 2 |        |  |      |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|--|------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food | Almond  |        |  |      |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |         | Isaac  |  | Neel |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |         |        |  |      |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |         |        |  |      |       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) |         | Reuben |  |      | Moose |  |  |  |  |  |  |

|                       | Case: 2-A |  |        |        |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|--------|--------|--|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food |           |  | Almond |        |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |           |  |        | Isaac  |  | Neel |  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |           |  |        |        |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |           |  |        |        |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Moose     |  |        | Reuben |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: All the above cases are possible; only if two people are sit between the one who like Reuben and the one who like Moose. If there is vacant seat in between, then the position of the one like Reuben gets changed, with that all the others position also gets changed.

#### References

The one who like Fish is sit at extreme end.

The one who like Fish and the one who like Bread sits diagonally opposite to each other.

The one who like Corn sits second to the right of the one who like Fish.

The one who like Corn and the one who like Ostrich sits opposite to each other.

Vacant seats are not in the extreme end.

#### Inferences

From above statements.

- o By combining all above information, the following seating we obtained are
- o In Case (1), the one who like Fish is sit at extreme end.
- v. If the one who like Fish is sit at extreme left end of Row-1, then the one who like Corn sits second to the right of the one who like Fish is not possible.
- v. If the one who like Fish is sit at extreme right end of Row-2, then the one who like Corn sits second to the right of the one who like Fish is not possible.
- v. If the one who like Fish is sit at extreme left end of Row-2, then the one who like Corn sits second to the right of the one who like Fish is possible. But all the 5 seats (In Row-2) from left are filled by this statement. Then the vacant seat comes at extreme right end, which is not possible. So Case-1 is not possible with respect to above statements.

**Note:** All the above conditions explained (the one who like Fish, at end) is applicable for all above 4 cases. It means that, we can't continue all the above 4 cases as it is. From, here we clearly observe that the vacant seat is in between *the one who like Reuben and the one who like Moose. So we have to change all above 4 cases* (1, 1-A, 2 & 2-A) with respect to the one who like Reuben.

In Case (1), the one who like Fish is sit at extreme left end of Row-2. Then Neel likes Corn. The one who like Bread is sit at extreme left end of Row-1 and the one who like Ostrich sits opposite to Neel.
 [Note: Position of the one who like Reuben & others are changed from initial solving]

| Case: 1               |       |  |         |  |        |        |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|-------|--|---------|--|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food | Moose |  | Ostrich |  | Reuben | Bread  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |       |  |         |  |        |        |  |  |  |  |
|                       |       |  |         |  |        |        |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |       |  | Neel    |  | Isaac  |        |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Fish  |  | Corn    |  |        | Almond |  |  |  |  |

In Case (1-A), both possibilities as above explained are not possible. If we not shifted the position of the one who like Reuben, then there is no place for Ostrich & Bread as shown in table. If we shift the position of the one who like Reuben, then there is no place for Neel. So this case is not possible in either way, hence it can be eliminated.

|                       | Case: 1-A [Eliminated] |  |         |        |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|---------|--------|--|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)         |                        |  | Reuben/ |        |  | Moose/Bread     |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food                  |                        |  | Ostrich |        |  | iviouse/ bi eau |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |                        |  |         |        |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |                        |  |         |        |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               | Neel                   |  | Isaac   |        |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Fish                   |  | Corn    | Almond |  |                 |  |  |  |  |  |

o In Case (2), the one who like Fish is sit at extreme left end of Row-1. Then Neel likes Corn. The one who like Bread is sit at extreme left end of Row-2 and the one who like Ostrich sits opposite to Neel. [Note: Position of the one who like Reuben & others are changed from initial solving ]

|                       | Case: 2 |        |  |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|--|---------|--|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food | Almond  |        |  | Corn    |  | Fish  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |         | Isaac  |  | Neel    |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |         |        |  |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |         |        |  |         |  |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Bread   | Reuben |  | Ostrich |  | Moose |  |  |  |  |  |

o In Case (2-A), both possibilities as above explained are not possible. If we not shifted the position of the one who like Reuben, then there is no place for Ostrich & Bread as shown in table. If we shift the position of the one who like Reuben, then there is no place for Neel. So this case is not possible in either way, hence it can be eliminated.

| C                     | Case: 2-A [Eliminated] |  |        |          |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|--------|----------|--|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food |                        |  | Almond | Corn     |  | Fish |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |                        |  |        | Isaac    |  | Neel |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|                       |                        |  |        |          |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |                        |  |        |          |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food                  | Moose/                 |  |        | Reuben / |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Row-2 (North)         | Bread                  |  |        | Ostrich  |  |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Note: Out of 4 cases, two are eliminated and two (Case-1 & 2) are left to continue.

#### References

Laksh sits second to the right of Row-1, vacant seat.

Jason sits third to the right of the one who like Toast.

The one who like Toast and the one who like Gumbo sits opposite to each other.

#### Inferences

From above statements,

- o In Case-1, the vacant seat in Row-1 is 3<sup>rd</sup> from the left end and vacant seat in Row-2 is 3<sup>rd</sup> from the right end.
- o Laksh sits on the immediate right of the one who like Ostrich.
- Jason sits third to the right of the one who like Toast. Here no place for Jason as per the statement.
   Hence this can be eliminated.

| Case: 1 [Eliminated] Jason sits third to the right of the one who like Toast. No place for Jason in either of the rows |      |       |      |        |       |        |  |  |  |
|--|------|-------|------|--------|-------|--------|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South) Moose Ostrich Vacant Reuben Bread  |      |       |      |        |       |        |  |  |  |
| Persons  |      | Laksh |      |        |       |        |  |  |  |
|  |      |       |      |        |       |        |  |  |  |
| Persons  |      |       | Neel |        | Isaac |        |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North)  | Fish |       | Corn | Vacant |       | Almond |  |  |  |

o In Case-2, we get two possibilities for vacant seats in both rows as shown in table. The vacant seat in Row-1 is 4<sup>th</sup> from the left end and vacant seat in Row-2 is 4<sup>th</sup> from the right end. Laksh likes Almond sit extreme right end of Row-1. Jason sits third to the right of the one who like Toast. Here no place for Jason as per the statement. Hence this can be eliminated.

| Case: 2[Eliminated] Jason sits third to the right of the one who like Toast. No place for Jason in either of the rows |        |        |        |         |  |       |  |  |  |
|---|--------|--------|--------|---------|--|-------|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food   | Almond |        | Vacant | Corn    |  | Fish  |  |  |  |
| Persons   | Laksh  | Isaac  |        | Neel    |  |       |  |  |  |
|   |        |        |        |         |  |       |  |  |  |
| Persons   |        |        |        |         |  |       |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North)   | Bread  | Reuben | Vacant | Ostrich |  | Moose |  |  |  |

o In Case-2-B, the vacant seat in Row-1 is 2<sup>nd</sup> from the left end and vacant seat in Row-2 is 2<sup>nd</sup> from the right end. Laksh sits on the immediate right of Neel. Here Jason likes Moose sit at extreme right end of the Row-2. Laksh like Gumbo and sits opposite to the one who like Toast.

By using above all information, we get the following case-2-B as shown below.

| Case: 2-B             |        |        |       |         |        |       |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|-------|---------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food | Almond |        | Gumbo | Corn    | Vacant | Fish  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |        | Isaac  | Laksh | Neel    |        |       |  |  |  |  |
|                       |        |        |       |         |        |       |  |  |  |  |
| Persons               |        |        |       |         |        | Jason |  |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Bread  | Reuben | Toast | Ostrich | Vacant | Moose |  |  |  |  |

#### References

Samar sits second to the left of Kabir and does not like either Reuben or Gumbo.

Only one person sits between Amol and Ranbir.

Ranbir sits opposite to the one who is an immediate neighbor of Farhan.

#### Inferences

From above statements

- Samar likes Bread & sit at extreme left end of Row-2 and Kabir likes Toast (Only possibility)
- o Ranbir likes Reuben and Amol likes Ostrich (Only possibility with 3<sup>rd</sup> reference pint)
- o Farhan likes Almond and his immediate neighbor is Isaac & Isaac faces Ranbir. So the given condition satisfied.
- o Finally, Isaac likes Hot Dogs and Darsh likes Fish. Thus we get completed arrangement of all persons.

| Case: 2-B             |        |          |       |         |        |       |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|-------|---------|--------|-------|--|--|--|
| Row-1 (South)<br>Food | Almond | Hot Dogs | Gumbo | Corn    | Vacant | Fish  |  |  |  |
| Persons               | Farhan | Isaac    | Laksh | Neel    |        | Darsh |  |  |  |
|                       |        |          |       |         |        |       |  |  |  |
| Persons               | Samar  | Ranbir   | Kabir | Amol    |        | Jason |  |  |  |
| Food<br>Row-2 (North) | Bread  | Reuben   | Toast | Ostrich | Vacant | Moose |  |  |  |

#### **Answers:**

- The following common explanation, we get "Ranbir".
   Amol like Ostrich and his/her 2nd left is Ranbir.
   Hence, option B is correct.
- The following common explanation, we get "One".
  Laksh like Gumbo & Darsh (Opposite of Jason).
  In between Laksh and Darsh, 1 person sitting & 1 vacant seat is there.
  Hence, option A is correct.
- **3.** The following common explanation, we get "Kabir". Farhan like Almond & Opposite of Farhan is Samar. Kabir is 2nd to the right of Samar Hence, option D is correct.
- **4.** The following common explanation, we get "Isaac, Darsh, Farhan" are seated in Row-1 Hence, option E is correct.
- **5.** The following common explanation, we get "Laksh and the one who like Bread".

Explanation: Laksh & his Opposite person is Kabir. Kabir's 2nd left is Samar. Samar likes Bread [i.e Laksh and Opposite Person's 2nd left is Paired].

Remaining 4 options are paired,

Person and Opposite Person's 2nd Right Example: Farhan opposite is Samar. Samar's 2nd right is Kabir. Kabir likes Toast.

Hence, option C is correct.



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