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#### Close test

**Directions (1-5):** The following passage given below has words and phrases highlighted as they might need a change. Also, there might be blanks that need to be completed. Read the given paragraph carefully and answer the questions that follow:

Is the world (A) *at the cusp of* another cataclysmic change? The world order which was sketched by the **integration** of the Soviet Union

is up for another paradigm shift. If that happens then the uncertainty will redefine the new international norms for some time. Every change in the world has been followed by a spell of violence and human wickedness that increases the \_\_\_\_\_ of the smaller and weaker states. Before the new norms settle down and solidify, the restlessness of the society, the anxiety of the individual and the anguish of the civilisation can always cause greater havoc. The

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first and second world wars are examples and reflections of the changes **(B) that were causing by deep anxieties**. But those are tales of a century back when the world was not technologically as advanced, and neither was it so vastly open; half of the civilisation was still under darkness. But today the world is so strongly interconnected thanks to the internet, social media and smartphones that it is creating a new puzzle. At a time when so many choices are available, when the human mind is flooded with information, then why has so much negativity and bitterness **enveloped** the mind space; why are the demons of hatred and selfishness ruling the human brain?

1. Which of the following options would best improve the phrase in (A)?

- A. For the cusp in
- B. At the cusp for
- C. On the cusp of
- D. In the cusp
- E. No replacement required

2. Which of the following options would best replace the word '*integration*' as used in the paragraph?

- A. Unification
- B. Demilitarisation
- C. Upsurge
- D. Collapse
- E. No replacement required

3. Which of the given options will fill the blank given in the paragraph appropriately?

- A. Inclusion
- B. Vulnerabilities
- C. Fortunes
- D. Quandary
- E. None of the above

4. Which of the following options replaces the phrase (B) to make it grammatically correct and meaningful?

- A. that were caused by deeper anxieties
- B. Those causing deep anxiety
- C. Towards creating deeper anxieties
- D. By causing deep anxiety
- E. No replacement required

5. Which of the following would replace the word '*enveloped*' as used in the paragraph?

- A. Disregarded
- B. Ensued
- C. Faded
- D. Developed
- E. No replacement needed

### Sentence rearrangement with fillers

Directions (6-10): Below a small sentence has been divided into five parts. These parts are not in their correct order and given as a, b, c, d and e. Also, one blank is given in one of the parts. You are required to fill the given blank and arrange each part in order to form a meaningful sentence.

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6. Vision the Quad signs up to in the (a)/ cooperation across countries in the Indo-Pacific (b)/ Indo-Pacific region, and the multinational defence exercise, MILAN, held in Visakhapatnam \_\_\_\_\_ the (c)/ India is clearly the natural leader in the region in terms of the (d)/ Australian High Commissioner to India, Barry O'Farrell said (e).

- A. dacbe; demonstrates
- B. edcba; showing
- C. edcab; refutes
- D. cabde; demonstrates
- E. badec; verifying

7. To use his good offices and urged the Centre to come (a)/ to the aid of Indian students believed (b)/ the Supreme Court asked Attorney-General K.K. Venugopal (c)/ the Ukrainian border even as the crisis \_\_\_\_\_ (d)/ to be stuck without food, water and money at (e).

- A. cadbe; boosts
- B. edcba; augments
- C. edcab; strengthens
- D. cabed; deepens
- E. cbade; amplifies

8. Revealed the Naveen Patnaik-led (a)/ Odisha's ruling Biju Janata Dal is heading towards a (b)/party had \_\_\_\_\_ its strong grip in the coastal state (c)/ BJP and Congress far behind as counting on Monday (d)/landslide victory in the three-tier panchayat polls leaving opposition (e).

- A. adcbe; tightened
- B. decba; increased
- C. bedac; expanded
- D. abecd; elaborated
- E. bcade; developed

9. Home Minister Amit Shah saying the party would (a)/the BJP \_\_\_\_\_ confidence over its (b)/ chances in the five Assembly elections, with (c)/ form the government in Uttar Pradesh, Goa, Manipur and Uttarakhand(d)/ and improve its performance in Punjab (e)

- A. adcbe; cited
- B. decba; issued
- C. bedac; radiated
- D. abecd; cited
- E. bcade; exuded

10. India on Friday \_\_\_\_\_ in a vote in the (a)/ UN Human Rights Council that has decided to urgently (b)/ commission of inquiry as a result of (c)/ Russia's aggression against Ukraine (d)/ establish an independent international (e).

- A. adcbe; halted
- B. decba; rejected
- C. bedac; refused
- D. abecd; abstained
- E. bcade; declined

### Para jumble

Directions (11-15): Below a small paragraph has been divided into five sentences in jumbled form. Each sentence is not in its correct order

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and these jumbled sentences are given in P, Q, R, S and T. You are first required to rearrange each sentence and then arrange in the logical order to form a meaningful paragraph.

P. Judicial Magistrate, Panvel, wherein he was sent to (a)/ the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad (b)/ judicial custody for 14 days. This is (c)/ the third arrest in the last fortnight by (d)/ he was produced before the (e)

Q. More than 15 sham firms, which were used for (a)/ bogus invoices of more than Rs 180 crore (b)/ the accused actively connived in creating (c)/ generation, availment and utilization of fraudulent GST (d)/ Input Tax Credit (ITC) of Rs. 33 Crore by issuing (e)/

R. For creating shell companies to (a)/ generate fraudulent Input Tax Credit (ITC) (b)/ Mumbai Zone, arrested a 29-year-old (c)/ officials from CGST Raigad, under the (d)/ while conducting the special Anti-Evasion drive, (e)

S. During the investigation, he admitted to his role in the (a)/ happens to be a BMS (Bachelor of Management Studies) graduate (b)/ utilization of

fake ITC and filing of GST Returns for these (c)/ generation of sham firms and generation, availment and (d)/ fake entities. This person, a resident of Panvel, (e).

T. Central Goods and Services Act, 2017 (a)/ under Section 132 (b)/ he was arrested on Friday, March 4, (c)/ for committing offences (d)/ under Section 69 of the (e).

11. Which of the following is the **first** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. R
- D. S
- E. T

12. Which of the following is the **second** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. R
- D. S
- E. T

13. Which of the following is the **third** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. R
- D. S
- E. T

14. Which of the following is the **fourth** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. R
- D. S
- E. T



15. Which of the following is the **fifth** sentence after rearrangement?

- A. P
- B. Q
- C. R
- D. S
- E. T

### Sentence Improvement

Directions (16-20): In each of the following questions two phrases are given in each sentence which may or may not be grammatically correct, you are required to replace it with the grammatically correct phrases from the given options. If the highlighted phrase is correct then mark no improvement required as your answer.

16. Two contrasting issues concerning the legislature in **two States** appears to sum up the potential for political controversy when elected governments and Governors do not **see eyes to eye**.

- A. in two State appear to sum up; see eyes to eyes
- B. in two States appear to summing up; see eye to eyes
- C. in two States appear to sum up; see eye to eye
- D. in two States appears to sum up; see eyes to eyes
- E. No improvement required

17. In recent weeks, Beijing **has repeated blamed NATO** for the crisis in Ukraine. While claiming to stay neutral, **it has moved to reaffirming** ties with Russia, which Beijing on Monday described as “rock solid”.

- A. has repeatedly blamed NATO; it has moved to reaffirm
- B. has repeatedly blaming NATO; it had moved to reaffirm
- C. has repeated blaming NATO; it has move to reaffirm
- D. has repeatedly blames NATO; it has moved to reaffirms
- E. No improvement required

18. Inflation in the euro area had accelerated to 5.8% in February, mainly **in account of** a more than 31% surge in energy prices, and with the uptrend **in oil prices steepening sharp**.

- A. to account of; in oil prices steepens sharply
- B. on account of; in oil prices steepening sharply
- C. for account of; in oil prices steepens sharped
- D. at account of; in oil prices steepening sharps
- E. No improvement required

19. The voter participation **among the first five phases** was close to the 2017 level **yet** pandemic-related restrictions on campaigning.

- A. across the first five phase; although
- B. under the first five phases; because
- C. in the first five phases; inspite
- D. across the first five phases; despite
- E. No improvement required

20. Prime Minister Narendra Modi held a mega roadshow in Gujarat on Friday post BJP's huge win in four states -- Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Manipur and Goa.

- A. hold a mega roadshow; BJP huge win in four states
- B. holds a mega roadshow; BJP's huge won in four states
- C. holding a mega roadshow; BJP's huge win in four state
- D. holding a mega roadshow; BJP's huge winning in four states
- E. No improvement required

### Reading comprehension

Directions (21-27): The following passage given below has questions that have been framed on the content of the same. You are required to read the same carefully and answer the questions that follow

Two contrasting issues concerning the legislature in two States appear to sum up the potential for political controversy when elected governments and Governors do not *see eye to eye*. In the West Bengal Assembly, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and legislators of her party had to virtually plead with Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar to start reading his customary address amidst a prolonged uproar by the Opposition BJP MLAs. Mr. Dhankhar appeared ready to give in to the protesters, but was ultimately persuaded into reading the first

and last lines. In Telangana, on the other hand, the K. Chandrasekhar Rao government seems to have decided not to have Governor Tamilisai Soundararajan address the legislature before it presented this year's Budget. Instead, it is treating the current meeting of the legislature as a continuation of the last session. That the session, which last met some months ago, was not prorogued, has given scope for the government to contend that it is just a further meeting, and it is not necessary for the Governor to open it with an address. The ceremonial address is usually delivered in the first session of every year. Dr. Soundararajan has issued a rare statement to argue that the government's position was technical, and it would not be proper to commence the Budget session without her address. The episode appears to arise from points of conflict between the government secretariat and Raj Bhavan, as the ruling TRS seems aggrieved that the Governor deviated from the text of her address last year and on some other issues too. The Governor's address is a constitutional formality, albeit a significant one, as it is essentially a statement of policy of the regime of the day. That the formal occasion is mired in political wrangling is a sign of institutional decay and unwarranted politicisation of constitutional norms. That Ms. Banerjee saw the incidents in the Assembly, which almost resulted in the abandonment of the Governor's address, as "an attempt to create a constitutional crisis" shows

that leaders still attach constitutional significance to the tradition. It will be desirable if the same recognition is seen in Telangana too. After all, if not now, the next session will have to open with the Governor's address. It is true that there are sound arguments that question the need and the relevance of the office of the Governor, or support the view that some incumbents are politically partisan. There may even be a case for doing away with the formality, or even arguing that the policy statement is better read out by the elected Chief Minister. However, as long as the current system is in vogue, there is a case for abiding by the norms. Politics notwithstanding, it is only in such formality that civility in public discourse is expressed.

**21. Three sentences have been given below.**

**You have to read the same and choose which of the following would correctly take the idiom, 'see eye to eye' as used in the passage?**

I. That house on the CP square certainly \_\_\_\_\_ . Should we talk a look inside?

II. They said they were ending the contract because they didn't \_\_\_\_\_ with their clients.

III. After she found out about his latest relapse with drugs, she decided it was best to \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. Only (i)
- B. Only (ii)
- C. Only (iii)
- D. Both (i) and (ii)

E. Both (ii) and (iii)

**22. Which of the following options explains the opening line of the passage?**

- A. The governors in the mentioned states have forgotten their line of duty and need to be made aware of the same
- B. The elected governments are trying impose their superiority in the states as they do not wish to function in alignment with the centre
- C. Two states are facing the same issue of a visible tussle between the governor and the state government however, for completely opposite issues
- D. Both (b) and (c)
- E. Other than the given options

**23. With which of the following would Ms. Banerjee most likely agree as per the passage?**

- I. The traditional practices must be abided by as a mark of respect to our constitution if not anything else
  - II. Things should be continued as they are since they are in fashion as, breaking of rules by the government is not desirable
  - III. Telangana and West Bengal are two entirely different geographies and what happens in one won't dictate what happens in the other
- A. Only (ii)
  - B. Only (iii)
  - C. Both (ii) and (iii)
  - D. Only (i)
  - E. Both (i) and (iii)



24. Which of the following has been cited as the reason that justifies the actions of the Telangana governor not being allowed to address the budget session?

- A. That the practice of addressing before the session is not valid as the head of the elected government should be the one who should open the discussion
- B. The governor while addressing the last time made some derogatory remarks over the state of the affairs making the episode questionable
- C. The West Bengal governor was found indicating in his address that the governors have now stopped interfering in the government's affairs
- D. The state government found that the governor while addressing went awry leading to a conflict between the two authorities
- E. None of the above

25. Which of the following statements is false as per the contents of the passage?

- I. The Telangana government had discontinued the previous session without dissolving the same
  - II. Ms. Banerjee was finally able to cajole the governor to at least read the first and the last lines to begin the session
  - III. Both the CMs mentioned have been known to have animosity towards the Centre and hence, their state governors behaved the like
- A. Only (ii)

- B. Only (iii)
- C. Only (i)
- D. Both (i) and (iii)
- E. All are true

26. Choose the best option based on the words given in the column I given below taken from the passage.

Column I	Column II
A. Wrangling	I. The _____ president faces problems which began many years before he took office.
B. Incumbents	II. The movie Kashmir Files has caused an _____ on Twitter.
C. Uproar	III. We find some people in our house who engage in _____ in order to simply feel superior.

- A. A-II, B-III, C-I
- B. B-II, C-III
- C. A-III, B-I, C-II
- D. A-III, B-II
- E. A-II, B-I, C-III

27. Which of the following options can be marked as the central theme of the passage?

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- A. The differences between the leaders should not lead to politicising of constitutional norms
- B. The constitution and its norms at risk of disrepute while the leaders decide not to give in
- C. The rift between the centre and the states getting wider
- D. The governors and their realm of powers should be re-thought about
- E. The elected state governments and the need to co-operate with the administration

### Swapping

**Directions (28-31):** The following questions have a sentence each that has been divided into five parts which have been jumbled. There are certain words as well that have been highlighted and might need to be swapped with each other in order for the sentence to become meaningful. You need to rearrange the parts of the sentence carefully and choose the option that provides the best rearrangement and swapping pair.

28. industry (I) **ban** at least 60% of its products could (A)/ not be (II) **produced** without this chemical (B)/ the globe, is a (III) **concern** as the (C)/ the (IV) **claims** on barium nitrate, (D)/ an oxidising agent, used in making fireworks across (E).

- A. DBACB; I-III
- B. DECAB; I-IV
- C. ABEDC; II-III
- D. BEDCA; III-IV
- E. CEDCA; I-II

29. travel came to a (I) **halt**. The (A)/ domestic and international (B)/ people were not (II) **travelling** and (C)/ revenue (III) **severely** from (D)/ international travels dropped (IV) **earned** (E).

- A. ADCBE; I-IV
- B. BECED; II-IV
- C. CEADB; I-III
- D. CBADE; III-IV
- E. ABCDE; No swapping needed

30. Yadav, stole what was their (I) **rightful** mandate (A)/ leadership, especially party president Akhilesh (B)/ primarily (II) **against** the electronic voting machines, which, as (C)/ per the (III) **disbelief** built by the SP (D)/ the (IV) **narrative** soon turned into anger, (E).

- A. ECDBA; III-IV
- B. ABDCE; II-IV
- C. BEDAC; II-III
- D. EDACB; I-IV
- E. CADEB; II-IV

31. His wisdom, his (I) **sense** of (A)/ humour, his joie de vivre, (B)/ his easy (II) **sociability**, and his (C)/ wonderful gift of being a good (III) **raconteur**, (D)/(IV) **endeared** him to all who came across him (E).

- A. EDCBA; I-IV
- B. ADCBE; II-III
- C. ABCDE; No swapping needed
- D. CEBDA; III-IV
- E. EBCAD; No swapping needed

**Double fillers**

Directions (32-36): In each question below, a sentence followed by a table with two columns has been given. The sentence has got two blanks that would take words from the columns respectively. Choose the correct combination of words that complete the given sentences meaningfully.

32. I followed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the elections in three of the five states and shall therefore \_\_\_\_\_ my observations to those states.

Column I	Column II
A. Mandate	D. Confide
B. Course	E. Obstruse
C. Trend	F. Restrict

- A. A-D
- B. C-E
- C. B-D
- D. A-E
- E. B-F

33. Tamil Nadu students pursuing MBBS in Ukraine have returned home after \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Column I	Column II
A. Checks	D. Endeavours
B. Diplomacy	E. Tribulations
C. Trials	F. Balances

- A. B-D
- B. A-F
- C. C-E
- D. B-E

E. A-D

34. Keeping in mind the \_\_\_\_\_ of the question papers, the marks indicated that a certain level of \_\_\_\_\_ has been done by the Board.

Column I	Column II
A. Level	D. Bias
B. Syllabus	E. Moderation
C. Difficulty	F. Normalization

- A. A-D
- B. B-E
- C. C-E
- D. A-F
- E. Both (c) and (d)

35. And in India, in the first major elections held after three waves of COVID-19, people from \_\_\_\_\_ regions and far-off States seem to be \_\_\_\_\_ in one voice.

Column I	Column II
A. Myriad	D. Speaking
B. Diverse	E. Enunciate
C. Proletariat	F. Articulating

- A. C-E
- B. A-F
- C. B-D
- D. A-E
- E. None of the above

36. Russia's \_\_\_\_\_ of Ukraine has placed considerable moral responsibility on India, both as one of the world's largest countries and its most \_\_\_\_\_ democracy.

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Column I	Column II
A. Annexation	D. Sought after
B. Attack	E. Populous
C. Invasion	F. Looked upon

- A. C-E
- B. A-D
- C. B-F
- D. C-D
- E. None of the above

### Odd one out

**Directions (37-40):** Five sentences have been given in each question below one of which is an odd man out. You are required to read the same carefully and choose the option with the odd sentence as your answer

**37.**

- A. On March 29, Assam and Meghalaya partially resolved a 50-year-old dispute along their 884.9 km boundary.
- B. Meghalaya was carved out of Assam as an autonomous State in 1972.
- C. It was facilitated by Home Minister Amit Shah who urged the States to resolve their boundary disputes by August 15, 2022.
- D. According to the partial boundary deal, Assam will get 18.51 sq. km of the 36.79 sq. km disputed area.
- E. Apart from Meghalaya, the other States are Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and West Bengal.

**38.**

- A. Germany would not “preach or teach” India about its position on Russia’s war in Ukraine.
- B. For the success of this platform, we require all countries to be present.
- C. If the Russian action goes unchecked, I think it will be really devastating for all of us.
- D. Mr. Plotner’s visit coincides with a number of other visits to Delhi carrying a similar message on Russia.
- E. All the statements are related to each other

**39.**

- A. The BJP had constituted a five-member team in the aftermath of the violence in which eight people were burnt alive.
- B. The five members on the panel include Rajya Sabha member and former Uttar Pradesh Director General of Police Brajlal.
- C. Following an order of the Calcutta High Court, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has taken over the probe into the Birbhum violence.
- D. West Bengal BJP chief Sukanta Majumdar — met BJP president J.P. Nadda and presented the report on Wednesday.
- E. Claiming that “state-sponsored extortion, goonda tax and cut-money” were the main reasons for the violence, the report said the Centre should intervene.

**40.**

- A. A World Cup like no other in its 92-year history will take shape this week.

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- B. Qatar will be the top-seeded team in Group A, taking position A1 in the schedule.
- C. Qatar’s debut opens the tournament, Nov. 21 at Al Bayt Stadium.
- D. The entry list for the forthcoming Federation Cup athletics has been released.
- E. It means in the group stage Qatar avoids the world’s top-ranked teams, from Nos. 1 to 7

### Match the column

**Directions (41-45):** The following sentences have two phrases that have been highlighted due to grammatical or contextual errors in them.

Below the sentence, a column has been given that contains probable improvements for the highlighted parts. You are required to read the same carefully and choose the best option as your answer

**41.** As things stand, the Government’s decision to relax the application of the Act in specific areas **seem to stem on the reduction in** violence and also administrative reasons rather than as a response to the burning question on whether the Act is essential to security operations in these States, **which has experienced insurgencies** by various degrees in the past.

Column I	Column II
A. seem at stem from the reduction in	I. that has experienced insurgencies of
B. seems to stem from the reduction in	II. which have experience insurgency of
C. seems to stem by	III. which have

the reduction in	experienced insurgencies of
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- A. A-II
- B. B-I
- C. C-I
- D. B-III
- E. C-II

**42.** The RBI’s Monetary Policy Committee **has it’s work cut back in a meeting later this week,** when the panel will decide on benchmark interest rates **that could potential influence inflation.**

Column I	Column II
A. has its work cut out in a meeting later this	I. that will potential influence inflation
B. has its work cut through in a meeting later this	II. that could potentially influence inflation
C. has its work cut in a meeting latter this	III. that must potentially influence inflation

- A. B-III
- B. A-II
- C. C-I
- D. B-I
- E. No improvement needed

**43.** This judgment **will a result of an unique case where** a woman had filed a criminal complaint of rape against her husband **due to the repeated act of sexual assault her** had to face.

Column I	Column II
A. is a result of a	I. due to the repeated



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unique case where	acts of sexual assault she
<b>B.</b> were a result of a unique case where	<b>II.</b> despite the repeated acts of sexual assault, she
<b>C.</b> was a result of a unique case where	<b>III.</b> due to the repeated acts of sexual assault he

- A. C-III
- B. B-II
- C. Other than the given options
- D. A-I
- E. No replacement needed

**44.** A February report commissioned by the United Nations Environment Programme **on the environmental challenges posed by noise, wildfires and the disruption of biological rhythms of plants, animals and ecological cycles became controversial on account of the mention of a single city, Moradabad.**

Column I	Column II
<b>A.</b> if the environmental challenges posed by noise	<b>I.</b> become controversial on account to the mention of a single city
<b>B.</b> on the environmental challenges posed against noise	<b>II.</b> became controversial by account of the mention of a single city
<b>C.</b> on the environmental challenge posited by	<b>III.</b> becomes controversial on accounts of the

noise	mention in a single city
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- A. A-I
- B. B-III
- C. C-II
- D. A-II
- E. No replacement needed

**45.** India and Turkey **agree expanding bilateral trade and energy cooperation to further strengthen the multifaceted partnership. The MoUs covered areas such as financial intelligence or disaster management.**

Column I	Column II
<b>A.</b> agreed on expand bilateral trade and	<b>I.</b> area such as financial intelligence, disaster management
<b>B.</b> agreed to expand bilateral trade and	<b>II.</b> areas such as financial intelligence and disaster management
<b>C.</b> agreed to expansion bilateral trade and	<b>III.</b> areas such that financial intelligence and disaster management

- A. B-II
- B. A-III
- C. C-I
- D. A-II
- E. B-I

### Starters

**Directions (46-47):** In the questions given below, two sentences have been given. These might be

separate sentences or parts of the same sentence. Three starters below the same have also been given. You are required to use those starters so that the given two sentences can be connected into one and choose the option with the same as your answer.

46.

→ an application in healthcare, to monitor patient stats through NFC-enabled wristbands

→ NFC is used in wireless charging too.

I. Although...

II. It also has...

III. With just a touch...

A. Only (iii)

B. Both (i) and (iii)

C. Only (ii)

D. Only (i)

E. None of these

47.

→ the listener reads between the lines and tries to figure out what the speaker is saying.

→ This process of deducing what someone has said is called an inference'

I. Using the hints,

II. While,

III. When...

A. Only (i)

B. Both (i) and (iii)

C. Only (ii)

D. All (i), (ii) and (iii)

E. Only (iii)

### Vocabulary type

Directions (48-50): A sentence in each question has been given with two highlighted words that might not be correct as per the context. There are five options following the sentences. You are required to choose the option in which there are words that best replace the words given in the sentence above and mark the same as your answer.

48. All Ministers must also **insure** that there is no **inference** from their family members in government work.

A. Forsake, trouble

B. Confirm, treason

C. Ensure, interference

D. Make sure, criticism

E. Comply, demolition

49. This **snowballed** into a communal clash, with local tribal youths laying siege to the colony for a few days, forcing the authorities to **clamp** indefinite curfew.

A. Abridged, loosen

B. Grown, maintain

C. Increment, impose

D. Ascended, demolish

E. No replacement needed

50. While many organisations over the past year have **fixated** workplace strategies to **welcome** flexible and hybrid work models, many women said they are yet to feel the benefits of these new ways of working.

- A. Pivoted, incorporate
- B. Depend, start
- C. Relied, accept

- D. Surveyed, revolutionise
- E. None of the above

**Answer With Explanation**

**1. Answer: C**

The correct usage of the phrase is; ‘on the cusp of’ which means on the verge of or about to do something.

In the cusp could also have been correct but it would still be grammatically incorrect here.

Therefore, the best option is (c).

**2. Answer: D**

The line where the word discusses how the disintegration of the Soviet Union helped draw a new map. So, the word, ‘integration’ is actually opposite of what is required in the context.

Unification also gives the same meaning and should be eliminated. Options (b) and (c) are also not fit as per the context.

The word ‘collapse’ however, will be appropriate as it encapsulates the required meaning very well.

Therefore, the best is option (d).

**3. Answer: B**

The sentence talks about increasing the threat for the weak and the ones without power who can be easily attacked or hurt. Now, this tone tells us clearly that the word required in the blank should neither be positive nor neutral. So,

inclusion, fortunes and ‘quandary: a difficult situation’ can be ruled out.

We have a word ‘vulnerabilities: prone to getting hurt easily’ that will be the best in the required context.

Therefore, the second option (b) is correct.

**4. Answer: A**

The phrase in (a) is grammatically perfect for the sentence as the other options have issues in them. Things were being caused due to deeper anxieties and not vice-versa. So, all options other than (a) must be eliminated.

**5. Answer: E**

Ensued means happening after an event or subsequently. This makes no sense here as the sentence simply intends to say that the brains are being covered by bitterness or being occupied with bitterness.

No change is required as the given word ‘enveloped’ fits perfectly well.

Therefore, the best option is (e).

**6. Answer: A**

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We can easily eliminate **option B**, because after rearrangement we can't end the paragraph with part "a" as it ends with "the" and it is incomplete. **Option C** is also ruled out because of the word "refute" which is inapt as per the context of the sentence because it means prove (a statement or theory) to be wrong or false; disprove. Option D and Option E are incorrect because "bd" and "ad" cannot become a pair respectively. **Demonstrate** means **give a practical exhibition and explanation of (how a machine, skill, or craft works or performs)**. Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

### 7. Answer: D

We can easily find the answer for this question as we can start our sentence with part (c) only, so Options B and C can be ruled out. Option A is incorrect because we can't end the paragraph with part "e" and Option E is incorrect because "ba" cannot become a pair. The correct word for the blank is- "**deepens**". Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

### 8. Answer: C

If we connect the given parts, "b" can be the opening sentence and it forms a pair with "e" "heading towards a landslide victory" seems perfect. Oppositions- "BJP and Congress" are given in part "d" so it follows "e". Out of the remaining two parts i.e. "a and c", "c" concludes the sentence perfectly. The correct word for the blank therefore, is- "**expanded**".

Hence **option C** is the correct answer.

### 9. Answer: E

If we connect the given parts, "b" can be the opening sentence and it forms a pair with "c". And "ad" seems like a perfect pair; "bc" joined by "ad". "e" concludes the sentence perfectly. The correct word for the blank is- "**exuded**" which means (of a person) display (an emotion or quality) strongly and openly. Hence, **option E** is the correct answer.

### 10. Answer: D

If we connect the given parts, "a" can be the opening sentence as it forms a pair with "b" "in the UN Human Rights Council" seems perfect. "b" should then be followed by "e". Out of the remaining two parts i.e., "c and d", "d" concludes the sentence perfectly. The correct word for the blank is- "abstained" which means restrain oneself from doing or enjoying something. Hence **option D** is the correct answer.

### 11. Answer: C

**The rearrangement will be- (edcab)** While conducting the special Anti-Evasion drive, officials from CGST Raigad, under the Mumbai Zone, arrested a 29-year-old for creating shell companies to generate fraudulent Input Tax Credit (ITC). The above paragraph is about "*Officials from CGST Commissionerate in Raigad, Mumbai,*

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arrested a 29-year-old man for creating over 15 shell firms to generate fake Input Tax Credit. The firms were issuing bogus invoices of over Rs 180 crore.”. **Statement R** is the opening sentence as it introduces the paragraph by mentioning the special Anti-Evasion drive in which officials arrested a 29-year-old. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement R** which states further about the man conniving more than 15 sham firms. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement S** which describes the information about the investigation of the accused. Fourth statement will be **T** as it talks about the man who was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017. **Statement P** is the concluding statement as it gives details about the man's imprisonment and the third arrest in a period of two weeks by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad. The correct rearrangement will be- **RQSTP** Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

### 12. Answer: B

The rearrangement will be- (cadeb) The accused actively connived in creating more than 15 sham firms, which were used for generation, avilment and utilization of fraudulent GST Input Tax Credit (ITC) of Rs. 33 Crore by issuing bogus invoices of more than Rs 180 crore. The above paragraph is about “*Officials from CGST Commissionerate in Raigad, Mumbai, arrested a 29-year-old man for creating over 15 shell firms to generate fake Input Tax Credit.*”

The firms were issuing bogus invoices of over Rs 180 crore.”

**Statement R** is the opening sentence as it introduces the paragraph by mentioning the special Anti-Evasion drive in which officials arrested a 29-year-old. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement R** which states further about the man conniving more than 15 sham firms. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement S** which describes the information about the investigation of the accused. Fourth statement will be **T** as it talks about the man who was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017. **Statement P** is the concluding statement as it gives details about the man's imprisonment and the third arrest in a period of two weeks by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad. The correct rearrangement will be- **RQSTP** Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

### 13. Answer: D

The rearrangement will be- (adceb) During the investigation, he admitted to his role in the generation of sham firms and generation, avilment and utilization of fake ITC and filing of GST Returns for these fake entities. This person, a resident of Panvel, happens to be a BMS (Bachelor of Management Studies) graduate.

The above paragraph is about “*Officials from CGST Commissionerate in Raigad, Mumbai, arrested a 29-year-old man for creating over 15*”



*shell firms to generate fake Input Tax Credit. The firms were issuing bogus invoices of over Rs 180 crore.”*

**Statement R** is the opening sentence as it introduces the paragraph by mentioning the special Anti-Evasion drive in which officials arrested a 29-year-old. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement R** which states further about the man conniving more than 15 sham firms. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement S** which describes the information about the investigation of the accused. Fourth statement will be **T** as it talks about the man who was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017.

**Statement P** is the concluding statement as it gives details about the man's imprisonment and the third arrest in a period of two weeks by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad.

The correct rearrangement will be- **RQSTP**  
Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

**14. Answer: E**

**The rearrangement will be- (ceadb)** He was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017 for committing offences under Section 132.

The above paragraph is about “*Officials from CGST Commissionerate in Raigad, Mumbai, arrested a 29-year-old man for creating over 15 shell firms to generate fake Input Tax Credit. The firms were issuing bogus invoices of over Rs 180 crore.”.*

**Statement R** is the opening sentence as it introduces the paragraph by mentioning the special Anti-Evasion drive in which officials arrested a 29-year-old. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement R** which states further about the man conniving more than 15 sham firms. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement S** which describes the information about the investigation of the accused. Fourth statement will be **T** as it talks about the man who was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017.

**Statement P** is the concluding statement as it gives details about the man's imprisonment and the third arrest in a period of two weeks by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad.

The correct rearrangement will be- **RQSTP**  
Hence, **option E** is the correct answer.

**15. Answer: A**

**The rearrangement will be- (eacdb)** He was produced before the Judicial Magistrate, Panvel, wherein he was sent to judicial custody for 14 days. This is the third arrest in the last fortnight by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad.

The above paragraph is about “*Officials from CGST Commissionerate in Raigad, Mumbai, arrested a 29-year-old man for creating over 15 shell firms to generate fake Input Tax Credit. The firms were issuing bogus invoices of over Rs 180 crore.”.*

**Statement R** is the opening sentence as it introduces the paragraph by mentioning the

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special Anti-Evasion drive in which officials arrested a 29-year-old. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement R** which states further about the man conniving more than 15 sham firms. **Statement Q** is then followed by **statement S** which describes the information about the investigation of the accused. Fourth statement will be **T** as it talks about the man who was arrested on Friday, March 4, under Section 69 of the Central Goods and Services Act, 2017.

**Statement P** is the concluding statement as it gives details about the man's imprisonment and the third arrest in a period of two weeks by the CGST Commissionerate, Raigad.

The correct rearrangement will be- **RQSTP**  
Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

### 16. Answer: C

Highlighted phrases in the sentence are grammatically incorrect, we need to do improvement.

According to the rule, plural noun is always followed by plural verb, so correction will be- **in two States appear to sum up**

According to the rule, when nouns are preceded and followed by “preposition”, then they must be present in the same form. The correction will be- **see eye to eye**

**See eye to eye** is a phrase which means **to be in full agreement**.

Hence **option C** is the correct answer.

### 17. Answer: A

Highlighted phrases in the sentence are grammatically incorrect, we need to do improvement.

According to the rule the structure is adverb qualifies adjective and adjective qualifies noun, so the correct will be - **has repeatedly blamed NATO**

According to the rule to is followed by V1 so the correction will be- **it has moved to reaffirm**  
Hence **option A** is the correct answer.

### 18. Answer: B

Highlighted phrases in the sentence are grammatically incorrect, we need to do improvement.

The correct phrase is “**on account of**” which means “**because of**”

According to the rule we need an adverb after gerund or present participle, so the correction will be- **in oil prices steepening sharply**  
Hence **option B** is the correct answer.

### 19. Answer: D

Highlighted phrases in the sentence are grammatically incorrect, we need to do improvement.

For from one side to the other of (a place, area, etc.) we use across, so the correction will be- **across the first five phases**.

We have to use “**despite**” which means “**without being affected by**” in order to make the sentence grammatically correct.

Hence **option D** is the correct answer.

**20. Answer: E**

Highlighted phrases in the sentence are grammatically correct, so no improvement is required. Hence option E is the correct answer.

**21. Answer: B**

The idiom 'see eye to eye' means to be in complete agreement with someone. In the passage, the sentence uses the phrase 'do not' before this idiom which means the government and the governor are not in agreement or they are not on the same page. Now, looking at the sentences above;

The **first** sentence would take the phrase 'caught my eyes' which means to get someone's attention. Like in the given sentence, the house caught the person's attention.

The **second** sentence would take the phrase in the question as it talks about the disagreements between the company and the clients which ended the contract between them. Also, the word 'didn't' has been used before the blank to match the meaning as given in the passage.

The correct phrase that can complete the **third** sentence is; 'leave him for good' as that means to leave someone permanently.

Therefore, the correct option should be (b).

**22. Answer: C**

The opening lines mention the 'contrasting issues' which have been further discussed in the passage where at one place a governor isn't

allowed to carry out her constitutional duty whereas in the other, the government is requesting the governor to fulfil his constitutional duty.

Therefore, the best option that explains the episode is (c).

**23. Answer: D**

Refer to the lines from the second paragraph given below to understand the question better:

*That Ms. Banerjee saw the incidents in the Assembly, which almost resulted in the abandonment of the Governor's address, as "an attempt to create a constitutional crisis" shows that leaders still attach constitutional significance to the tradition.*

This clearly tells us that she disapproved of the incidence and hence did not let the same happen in her state.

Therefore, the best option that describes the same is (d).

**24. Answer: D**

Upon reading the last few lines of the first paragraph we can clearly understand the reason being cited by the government that says 'she deviated from the contents of the speech and other issues'

This has only been explained in the fourth option. The first option is vague, the third option is unrelated and vague however, the second option could have been close but it has nowhere

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been mentioned that derogatory or insulting remarks were made.

Thus, the correct answer should be option (d).

### 25. Answer: B

The first statement is true as it has been mentioned in the first paragraph that the CM is adamant on treating the present session as a continuation to the last session as the last session wasn't 'prorogued: dissolved or finished'. So, this happens to be correct.

The second statement also finds a mention in the middle of the second paragraph. So, that's true as well.

Although, the third statement we know can be true but as it has not been discussed in the passage, we cannot consider the same to be true.

Therefore, the best is to mark option (b) as the answer.

### 26. Answer: C

The words can be understood as given below:

**Wrangling** · to engage in argument or controversy

**Incumbents** · a person who is currently in an official position

**Uproar** · an angry discussion about something

There are hints to each sentence!

The first sentence uses 'the president' (who can hold a position) so, the best is to match I with B.

Then, the vowel 'an' precedes the blank in II, which is a direct hint for 'uproar' to fit there. So, C fits II

And the last one, where people in families can be seen getting caught in petty quarrels so, A matches with III.

Therefore, the option with these combinations should be the answer. Hence, we mark (c).

### 27. Answer: A

The entire passage is based upon a single thought that is that; an exception to the adherence to constitutional formalities is seen as a disrespect towards the constitution itself and till the practice itself is changed, it should be respectfully followed.

The first option explains the idea very well and hence, the correct answer is option (a).

### 28. Answer: B

Parts A, B, C and E cannot start the sentence as either they start with pronouns or an abrupt idea that needs some other introduction.

This tells us that options (c), (d) and (e) should be ruled out.

Now, B after D makes no sense and hence, it is clear that (b) should be the correct answer.

Logically, words in I and IV also make proper sense when they are interchanged.

So, the best answer to be marked is option (b).

### 29. Answer: D

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The sentence goes like, as the people were not travelling · the domestic and international revenues went down.

So, to start the idea, the sentence should be started with C and then B should continue.

Also, 'dropped' is a verb and it should be qualified by an adverb. So, 'dropped severely' will be appropriate.

Therefore, interchanging III with IV and putting the parts in the order given in option (d) will be the correct choice.

### 30. Answer: A

B should come before A as it completes the name of the leader but B cannot start the sentence so, option (c) can be ruled out. C and D also cannot be the beginning which tells us that E should start the sentence.

Now the disbelief turned into anger regarding what? The EVMs. So, the flow of the sentence tells us that E should be followed by C and hence, the correct answer is (a).

### 31. Answer: C

The parts of the given sentence have already been arranged in the correct order and hence, no rearrangement is needed.

The highlighted words are also in their correct positions and hence, no swapping is required there as well.

Thus, the correct answer is option (c).

### 32. Answer: E

The sentence mentions a person who has closely monitored elections in just three out of five states and that he would just talk about those three.

'To follow a course' means to study a pattern or analyse a situation. So, the word 'course' should be best for the first blank. However, 'trend' can also fit in the context but let's check the available combinations.

The word 'restrict' would fit better in the second blank than the other words as it would then mean that the person is going to only talk about those three places whose trend was something that he could study.

Therefore, the best combination can be found in option (e).

### 33. Answer: C

The students have returned from Ukraine amid many difficulties is what the sentence intends to say!

So, the correct combination of words should be 'Trials and Tribulations' which as a phrase means difficult experiences, problems, etc.

'Checks and Balances' is also one phrase that is generally used together but, that simply means the delegation of power by the government to various different authorities.

So, the correct option is (c).

### 34. Answer: E

Any option with the choice of the word 'bias' for the second blank is useless as the sentence



says, 'keeping in mind' the 'board did something' which means it is a well thought about action by the board and should not be biased towards the students. This logic cancels option (a).

B is vague for the first blank as we have two other words that are better for the first blank.

We can see that the first blank can take either of A and C and the second one can take either of E and F.

So, the correct answer is option (e).

### 35. Answer: C

**Myriad** and **Proletariat** are both misfits as per the context of the sentence.

Myriad means in large numbers and here what is intended is not large numbers but '**diverse**' that is the states that are all different from each other.

Proletariat signifies a class that is the lowest economic class of any country. This is also not the sense here.

To **enunciate** is to pronounce clearly and to **articulate** is to be able to put or explain clearly which is not the required meaning here. What is required to be understood here is that people from diverse backgrounds are speaking the same language ie; agreeing on the same thing. So, the best combination can be found in B-F ie; option (c).

### 36. Answer: A

The present scenario is that Russia is trying to invade the Ukrainian territory. So, words like

'**annexation**: is the forcible acquisition of one state's territory by another state' will be a bit wrong as per the context. Attack is grammatically inappropriate.

So, the pair of words should start with C.

Sought after are things that are rare so much so that a lot of people want them. Now this isn't being discussed here.

Looked-upon could have been correct with country. So, we understand that the correct word for the second blank will be populous.

Therefore, the best option is (a).

### 37. Answer: E

Statements other than the last one are talking about the border land dispute between the states of Assam and Meghalaya and all the statements provide details w.r.t that.

The last sentence however looks open-ended. It says 'apart from Meghalaya' which is unclear that in what sense.

So, the best answer is option (e).

### 38. Answer: B

Only statement (b) is general in nature where it can't be understood about which occasion is the being present of all members being discussed. However, all the other sentences are related to the visits being made to India by various countries' representatives with the Russia-Ukraine crisis in the backdrop.

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

**39. Answer: C**

The sentences discuss the five-member team and the members and their report and findings on the matter. However, the third sentence talks about the same incident but with a different angle to it that now the SC has ordered a CBI enquiry into the matter.

So, (c) carries a different theme.

**40. Answer: D**

The sentences are all discussing the football World Cup going on in Qatar but one of these sentences is talking about a different tournament which is the Federation Cup Athletics. So, this sentence is the odd one out.

Therefore, the best is mark option (d) as the answer.

**41. Answer: D**

For the first part, the subject is 'application of the Act' which is singular so the verb 'seem' is a mismatch for the same. The correct pair of subject-verb should be 'application-seems'. 'Stem from' is the correct usage as it means to grow from.

For the second part, the subject is 'States' which is plural so a plural verb will be needed there.

'Has' should be replaced by 'have'

Looking at both the improvements required, we can easily mark option (d) ie; B-III as the correct answer.

**42. Answer: B**

'It's' is an acronym for 'it is'. What the sentence needs here is 'its' which is a possessive. Also, 'influence' is a verb so we need an adverb to modify it and hence, 'potentially' will be needed. These basics tell us that improvement is needed and option (e) gets eliminated.

Because the sentence itself has a possibility, words like must and will won't be correct. 'could' is the required modal.

Looking at all these, we can easily eliminate the options and mark (b) as the answer.

**43. Answer: C**

The correct part will be C as; 'judgement-was' makes the correct pair. So, we pick C for the first part. 'Despite' is wrong in II and 'he' in III makes no sense. So, we pick I.

The needed pair of improvements is C-I and this can't be found in any option. So, the correct answer is (c).

**44. Answer: E**

The given sentence is correct as it is and does not need any improvement. Also, the given options have got grammatical errors in them. So, the best is to mark (e) as the answer.

**45. Answer: A**

A is wrong because we use 'ing' form of the verb after 'agree on'. 'Expansion' makes C incorrect. I is wrong as more than one areas are being talked about so 'area' would be incorrect. 'Such as' is better than 'such that' so, II is better.

Hence, the correct answer is option (a).

**46. Answer: D**

The first sentence will make sense even if we use (ii) as a starter but, the directions say that the connector should connect the sentences and make one single sentence. So, we rather go with (i) which makes the sentence look like and mean;

*Although an application in healthcare, to monitor patient stats through NFC-enabled wristbands, NFC is used in wireless charging too.*

(The app in healthcare is used for monitoring patient stats but it can also be used as a wireless charger)

Therefore, the best answer is option (d).

**47. Answer: B**

The first starter will be best to connect the sentences. Even the third one will be okay but the second one won't connect the sentences contextually so that can be ruled out.

The sentences after joining with the help of the connectors would look like:

*Using the hints, the listener reads between the lines and tries to figure out what the speaker is saying. This process of deducing what someone has said is called 'inference'.*

*When the listener reads between the lines and tries to figure out what the speaker is saying.*

*This process of deducing what someone has said is called 'inference'.*

Therefore, the best answer should be option (b).

**48. Answer: C**

'insure' is used when we talk about 'insurance' as in making arrangements for compensation due to damage etc.

Also, the sentence intends to say that the ministers' family members must not disturb or interfere in any work of the government. So, the second blank should take the word 'interference' from all the given options.

The first blank needs a word that means 'make sure' or 'confirm'. We have these two words in the options as well but the second words in those options are of no use so they can be left out. The correct answer therefore, should be (c).

**49. Answer: E**

Loosen and demolish are irrelevant and do not fit the second blank so, (a) and (d) can be eliminated straight away.

'This grown' is grammatically incorrect so this can also be ruled out.

An 'increment' is a raise (in salary or something). So, this is also eliminated as this word doesn't fit grammatically in the sentence. However, the given words are correct at their respective positions and do not need any replacement so, option (e) should be correct.

**50. Answer: A**

Contextually the first words in the options (a), (b) and (c) can fit well in the first blank. But, (b) gets eliminated as it is not in the correct tense.

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We need a word like 'include' in the second blank as it would then mean; 'strategies that include flexible models' which makes complete sense.

Looking at the options, the first one fits pretty well as it is both grammatically as well as

contextually correct. The word 'fixated' that has been given in the sentence is also wrong as it means to develop an obsessive attachment to someone or something.

So, the other options can be eliminated and (a) should be marked as the answer.