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## Solutions

### S1. Ans.(d)

**Sol.** In the given question, all the choices other than 'here' are grammatically unfit. Hence, (d) is the correct answer.

### S2. Ans.(c)

**Sol.** Here, 'dispersed' is the best fit as the meeting didn't impose any commitments on them. Also, since no common point could be reached on the question of automation, there is no point that they could be happy. So, 'Laughed' and 'hugged' are ruled out. Plus, 'shouted' is a **transitive verb** and would take a direct object (for ex - he shouted at him; they shouted him down) with it - which is absent in the given sentence - and hence cannot be used in isolation. So, option (c) is the correct answer.

### S3. Ans.(b)

**Sol.** In the given question option (b) is the correct choice as (c), (d) & (e) are out of context and, since, spokesmen were called to sum up their conclusions, 'introduced' cannot be the correct choice as introduction happens at the start of something and not at the end (conclusion). Hence, option (b) is the correct answer.

### S4. Ans.(d)

**Sol.** Here the sentence talks about representing one's views on something. Hence, both 'put forward' & 'put forth' are correct as they both mean the same. 'put up' is out of context. Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

### S5. Ans.(a)

**Sol. Spell out** - to write or print in letters and in full (detail); to clarify/demonstrate. Hence option (a) is the perfect choice for this question.

### S6. Ans.(b)

**Sol.** Here the sentence talks about an organisation named 'Anglo-Indian Empire League'. Hence, 'branch' is the only suitable choice.

### S7. Ans.(c)

**Sol.** In the given sentence, The secretary of the Bengal branch of the Anglo-Indian Empire League is expressing the opinion of his council on the reform scheme. Hence, option (c) is the only grammatically correct choice.

### S8. Ans.(b)

**Sol.** The given statement talks about 'earmarking' public service appointments for Indians. Hence only option (b) is contextually correct here as some 'portion' or 'share' of something can only be earmarked.



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**S9. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** In the context of the whole article, it is very clear that the sentence talks about the makers, or 'framers', of the reform scheme. Hence, option (b) is the correct answer here.

**S10. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Here the sentence talks about a 'distinct advantage', hence negative words in option (a) & (b) are ruled out. Further, among other three options, only 'offered' fits in, both, grammatically as well as contextually.

**S11. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** The sentence talks about the downfall of Indian rupee and the appropriate possessive pronoun for it (Indian rupee) is "its". Hence (b) is the correct answer.

**it's** – is not a pronoun, rather it simply means, " it is".

**S12. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Here only option (b) is the correct answer as in the context of the article, Gerry Rice is replying to a question. Hence, 'responding' is the most appropriate choice here. Further, 'answer' is directly followed by the 'object' and never by 'to'.

**S13. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** For the given sentence, in the context of the article, only option (c) makes sense. Hence (c) is the correct answer.

**S14. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Here, if the sentence is read carefully, 'currencies' of many of India's trading partners is the subject and the helping verb in perfect agreement with it is 'have'. Hence, option (d) is the correct answer.

**S15. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Here, apart from option (a) & (c) all others do not make any grammatical sense. Further, option (a) is ruled out because 'share' is followed by 'in' and never by 'to', whereas, 'contribution' can be followed by 'to'. Hence, 'contribution of the net exports to growth' is the correct statement.

**S16. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** **Infuse**, in monetary terms, means adding money into something (company/organisation, business etc) to make it stronger and better. Hence, option (d) is the correct answer choice here.

**S17. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The phrase '**owing to**' means 'because of'; hence, in the given question, option (a) fits-in grammatically as well as contextually.

**S18. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** The passage says that the RBI has decided to conduct purchase of Government securities under Open Market Operations (OMOs) as per the assessment of durable liquidity needs going forward and other things.

Hence, here the correct answer choice is 'on' because in such a sentence, 'based' is always followed by 'on'.

**S19. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** The given part of the passage talks about the reasons behind RBI deciding to purchase government securities under the OMOs and 'observed' fits-in most appropriately here among all other options.

**S20. Ans.(b)**

**Sol. Aggregate** means - formed or calculated by the combination of several separate elements; total. Also, all other options are out of context. Therefore, (b) is the correct answer choice here.

**S21. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** 'Would be' takes past participle form of the verb with it. Of all the options given, only 'conducted' is in the required form and it also fits-in contextually. Hence, (d) is the correct answer choice

**S22. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** In the given question, option (a) is grammatically incorrect and option (b) is out of context, while (c) is both, grammatically as well as contextually correct. Hence, 'meet' is the correct answer here.

**S23. Ans.(a)**

**Sol. Flexibility** means the ability to be easily modified. The given statement states that the RBI retains the ability to modify the OMO amount. Hence (a) is the correct answer here.

**S24. Ans.(c)**

**Sol. Address** means (to) think about and begin to deal with an issue or problem. The given statement talks about dealing the cash deficit problem. Hence, (c) is the correct answer choice here.

**S25. Ans.(b)**

**Sol. Squeeze** means a strong financial demand or pressure;

The current statement is about the even based demand of money and the consequent contraction in the liquidity of the money market.

**S26. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Other than the usual meaning, **due** also means expected at or planned for at a certain time. Hence, option (b) is the appropriate answer choice here.



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**S27. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Here, of all the options, only option (d) is grammatically as well as contextually correct.

**S28. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** The given statement tells that according to the note issued by Kotak securities, the OMO purchase by the RBI are unlikely to completely offset the liquidity tightness, suggesting that the short-term rates would still likely remain high. Hence, 'implying' is the correct answer choice here. **Implying** is synonymous with 'suggesting'.

**S29. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Here, of all options, (b) (c) and (e) fit-in grammatically. But, (b) and (e) are completely out of the context of the passage and would render the sentence meaningless if used; whereas 'maintained' makes the sentence meaningful as well as grammatically correct.

Hence option (c) is the correct answer for the given question.

**S30. Ans.(e)**

**Sol.** Here, only option (e) is grammatically and contextually correct. Also, in conjunction, 'from' requires 'to make a sentence meaningful – for example 'from 7.75 % to 8.25%. Similarly, 'between' requires 'and'. Whereas, 'range' do not require any other word to make a sentence meaningful and correct.

Hence, '...be in a broad range of 7.75-8.25% for the second half of the current financial year' is the correct answer.

