

Quiz Date: 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

**Directions (1-5): In each of the questions given below, a passage has been given which are either situational based or describes a scenario. Below each passage, a question has been given which is framed to make you infer something out of it. Mark out the correct inference as your answer.**

Q1. In a heartening development for conservationists, a recent census has revealed that the population of the Nilgiri tahr (an endangered mountain goat) at the Mukurthi National Park has grown by an impressive 18% in the last two years, from 480 to 568.

What emotion is highlighted by the author?

- (a) Melancholy
- (b) Contentment
- (c) Despair
- (d) Exasperation
- (e) Despondency

Q2. Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Thursday alleged that Prime Minister Narendra Modi deliberately “inflicted the wound of demonetisation on the country to help his 15-20 crony capitalist friends” and described it as a “scam.”

What is the attitude of Rahul Gandhi in the above sentences?

- (a) Lauding
- (b) Extolling
- (c) Applauding
- (d) Contending
- (e) Praising

Q3. The National Investigation Agency on Thursday arrested Syed Ahmad Shakeel from Rambagh in Srinagar, eldest son of Hizb-ul Mujahideen head Syed Salahuddin, in a 2011 terror funding case. The agency had earlier questioned Mr. Shakeel on a couple of occasions in the past year, but he didn't show up for questioning after June 30, when he was served fresh summons.

What can be logically inferred from the above?

- (a) Due process was followed to arrest Mr. Shakeel.
- (b) The arrest of Mr. Shakeel was arbitrary.
- (c) The arrest of Mr. Shakeel would allow his questioning for the first time.
- (d) Option (a) and (c)
- (e) Option (c) and (a)

Q4. Today is August 31, 2018. The rupee hit a historic intraday low for the second straight session, falling to 70.86 against the dollar. Month-end dollar demand from importers and the recent rise in oil prices have spurred the trend. What can be inferred from the above information?

- (a) More quantity of oil can be purchased from the amount of money.
- (b) Value of Rupee has never ever touched the value of Rs. 71 against one dollar.
- (c) Burden on foreign exchange reserve of India has decreased
- (d) Options (b) and (c)
- (e) None of the above

Q5. Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on Thursday said demonetisation had led to formalisation of the economy and moved India from a tax non-compliant society to a compliant society.

What can be inferred from the above sentence, if Arun Jaitley is correct?

- (a) Tax evasion in India after demonetization has reduced to zero.
- (b) Tax evasion in India has stayed the same after demonetization.

- (c) Tax collection per financial year has stayed the same after demonetization.  
(d) Tax collection per financial year has increased after demonetization.  
(e) None of the above.

**Direction (6-10): Select the phrase/connector (STARTERS) from the given three options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same meaning as expressed in the statement sentences.**

Q6. (1) India is a vibrant democracy today.  
(2) Politics in the battleground state is still influenced by the Hindu caste system, a social hierarchy with its origins in antiquity.

- (i) Even though India today...  
(ii) As India today is  
(iii) Despite India being a vibrant...

- (a) Only (i) is correct,  
(b) Only (ii) is correct,  
(c) Only (iii) is correct,  
(d) Both (i) and (iii) are correct,  
(e) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct

Q7. (1) Grid-connected large-scale installations have received maximum attention.  
(2) There is slow progress on rooftop solar.

- (i) While grid-connected ...  
(ii) Receiving maximum attention, the.....  
(iii) Slow progress on rooftop solar....

- (a) Only (i) is correct,  
(b) Only (ii) is correct,  
(c) Only (iii) is correct,  
(d) Both (i) and (ii) are correct,  
(e) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct



Q8. (1) I did not receive any packet from Sonaksi.

(2) I also did not receive any phone call from her.

(i) Neither did I receive...

(ii) Clearly I did not...

(iii) Either I did not...

(a) Only (i) is correct,

(b) Only (ii) is correct,

(c) Only (iii) is correct,

(d) Both (i) and (ii) are correct,

(e) Both (i) and (iii) are correct

Q9. (1) All those who value human life and other forms of life have been getting nervous and restless whenever the threat of nuclear weapons appears as happened recently when the Korean crisis accentuated.

(2) It is due to all the possible dangers of nuclear or depleted uranium weapons.

(i) Owing to all the possible...

(ii) As all those who value...

(iii) Given all the possible...

(a) Only (i) is correct

(b) Only (ii) is correct

(c) Only (iii) is correct

(d) Both (i) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct

Q10. (1) Tighter immigration and visa requirements in the United States and the United Kingdom are set to come into force.

(2) Netherlands certainly has great potential in challenging these two countries as the preferred higher educational destination for Indian students.

(i) Considering that tighter...

(ii) As tighter immigration...

(iii) In view of the fact that tighter...

(a) Only (i) is correct

(b) Only (ii) is correct

(c) Both (i) and (ii) are correct

(d) Both (ii) and (iii) are correct

(e) All are correct

**Directions (11-15): Answer the following questions after rearranging the following sentences into a coherent paragraph and identify the sentence that doesn't fit into the context of the paragraph.**

- (A) Not surprisingly, the rupee weakened past the 74-mark to the U.S. dollar for the first time ever after the news of the RBI holding rates steady hit the markets.
- (B) The consensus on the street was that the RBI would raise rates by at least 25 basis points to support the rupee, with some even predicting a hike of 50 basis points.
- (C) The Reserve Bank of India pulled a surprise on the markets on Friday by keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 6.5%.
- (D) In 1947, the rupee-dollar rate was at Rs.3.30. The devaluation in 1966 raised it to Rs.7.50, reaching Rs.32.4 by 1995.
- (E) The decision to stand pat comes even as the central bank changed its policy stance from “neutral” to “calibrated tightening”, indicating that rates could go up in the coming months.
- (F) Stocks, which have been on a downtrend since September, also took a hit on Friday while bond yields fell.

Q11. Considering statement (C) **“The Reserve Bank of India pulled a surprise on the markets on Friday by keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 6.5%.”** as the first sentence of the rearranged paragraph, then which among the following fails to become the part of the coherent paragraph?

- (a) E  
(b) D  
(c) A  
(d) B  
(e) C

Q12. Considering statement (C) **“The Reserve Bank of India pulled a surprise on the markets on Friday by keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 6.5%.”** as the first sentence of the rearranged paragraph, then which one among the following can consecutively follow the last statement after the rearrangement (excluding the incoherent one)?

- (a) This decline was precipitated by a variety of factors – wars with Pakistan and China, the adoption of Five Year Plans requiring foreign loans, political instability and the Oil Price Shock of 1973.
- (b) For now, the RBI seems to prefer piecemeal measures, such as easing foreign investment norms and mild intervention in the forex market, to address the financial risks posed by the weakening rupee.
- (c) The prizes reaffirm the importance of the concept of evolution in our understanding of life as among the most profound of forces we are exposed to.
- (d) What is obvious is that, through its surprise decision, the RBI has chosen to stick to its primary mandate of keeping domestic inflation just around 4%, notwithstanding other risks facing the economy.
- (e) The ongoing U.S.-China trade war, Iran sanctions and further upward movement in oil prices will continue to test the rupee’s valuation.

Q13. Among the following pairs which one of them is formed with two consecutive statements after the rearrangement?

- (a) C-A  
(b) B-F

- (c) E-B
- (d) E-A
- (e) C-F

Q14. Considering statement (C) **“The Reserve Bank of India pulled a surprise on the markets on Friday by keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 6.5%.”** as the first sentence of the rearranged paragraph, identify the correct sequence of the sentences to form a coherent paragraph (excluding the incoherent one).

- (a) CEBAF
- (b) CBAFE
- (c) CBEFA
- (d) CEBFA
- (e) CBAEF

Q15. Considering statement (C) **“The Reserve Bank of India pulled a surprise on the markets on Friday by keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged at 6.5%.”** as the first sentence of the rearranged paragraph, which of the following statement should be FOURTH sentence after the rearrangement? (excluding the incoherent sentence).

- (a) B
- (b) C
- (c) F
- (d) E
- (e) A

### Solutions

S1. Ans. (b)

Sol. The hint for the answer can be derived from the phrase ‘In a heartening development for conservationists’ and ‘population of the Nilgiri tahr at the Mukurthi National Park has grown by an impressive 18% in the last two years, from 480 to 568’

Heartening [adjective] means increasing cheerfulness or confidence; encouraging;

Melancholy [noun] means a feeling of pensive (engaged in, involving, or reflecting deep or serious thought), sadness, typically with no obvious cause;

Contentment [noun] means a state of happiness and satisfaction;

Despair [noun] means the complete loss or absence of hope;

Exasperation [noun] means a feeling of intense irritation or annoyance;  
Despondency [noun] low spirits from loss of hope or courage; dejection;  
From above, it can be deduced that the conservationists are happy, cheerful, and encouraged with the increase in the population of the Nilgiri tahr.

So, the emotion highlighted in the passage is '**contentment**'.

S2. Ans. (d)

Sol. The hint for the answer can be derived from the phrase 'Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Thursday alleged that'.

Laud [verb] means 'praise (a person or their achievements) highly';

Extol [verb] means 'praise enthusiastically';

Applaud [verb] (no object) means 'show approval or praise by clapping' or 'show strong approval of (a person or action); praise;

Contend [verb] means 'assert something as a position in an argument';

Reading above, it can be deduced that Rahul Gandhi is asserting or alleging.

So, the attitude of Rahul Gandhi is '**contending**'.

Option (d) is the correct answer.

S3. Ans. (a)

Sol. The first line of the paragraph informs that Mr. Shakeel was arrested in a 2011 terror funding case.

The last line provides information about the attitude of Mr. Shakeel toward the summons sent to him.

Mr. Shakeel did not show up for questioning after June 30, when he was served fresh summons. It can be inferred that '*due process was followed by the NIA to arrest Mr. Shakeel*'.

S4. Ans. (b)

Sol. The answer of the question can be derived from the clauses: 'Today is August 31, 2018' and 'The rupee hit a historic intraday low for the second straight session'. The phrase 'historic intraday low' suggests that It is the first time that the value of Rupee against the dollar is as low as Rs 70.86 against the dollar. This suggests that the value of Rupee was Never Rupees 71 against one dollar.

Hence, the correct answer is option (b).

S5. Ans.(e)

Sol. Kindly read the phrase 'moved India from a tax non-compliant society to a compliant society'. This phrase suggests that the tax compliance has increased, tax evasion has decreased and tax collection per financial year has increased after demonetization. But it is **incorrect** to say that Tax evasion in India has reduced to zero after demonetization or stayed the same. It is also **incorrect** to say that the tax collection per financial year has stayed the same after demonetization. In fact, the tax collection per financial year, after the demonetization, has increased.

Hence, option (e) is the **correct** answer.

S6. Ans.(d)

Sol. (i) Even though India today is a vibrant democracy, politics in the battleground state is still influenced by the Hindu caste system, a social hierarchy with its origins in antiquity.

(iii) Despite India being a vibrant democracy today, politics in the battleground state is still influenced by the Hindu caste system, a social hierarchy with its origins in antiquity.

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. (i) While grid-connected large-scale installations have received maximum attention, there is slow progress on rooftop solar.

S8. Ans.(a)

Sol. (i) Neither did I receive any packet from Sonaksi nor did I receive any phone call from her.

S9. Ans. (d)

Sol. (i) Owing to all the possible dangers of nuclear or depleted uranium weapons, all those who value human life and other forms of life have been getting nervous and restless whenever the threat of such weapons appears as happened recently when the Korean crisis accentuated.

(iii) Given all the possible dangers of nuclear or depleted uranium weapons, all those who value human life and other forms of life have been getting nervous and restless whenever the threat of such weapons appears as happened recently when the Korean crisis accentuated.

S10. Ans. (e)

Sol. (i) Considering that tighter immigration and visa requirements in the United States and the United Kingdom are set to come into force, Netherlands certainly has great potential in challenging these two countries as the preferred higher educational destination for Indian students.

(ii) As tighter immigration and visa requirements in the United States and the United Kingdom are set to come into force, Netherlands certainly has great potential in challenging these two countries as the preferred higher educational destination for Indian students.

(iii) In view of the fact that tighter immigration and visa requirements in the United States and the United Kingdom are set to come into force, Netherlands certainly has great potential in challenging these two countries as the preferred higher educational destination for Indian students.

S11. Ans. (b)

Sol. The final coherent sequence is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (C) introduces the theme of the paragraph which is '*the RBI pulling a surprise on the Market and keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged.*' So, the sentence (C) should be the first sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (E) provides information about the circumstance(s) when the decision was made and **elaborates the term 'surprise' (mentioned in the sentence (C))**. When the central bank changed its policy stance from "neutral" to "calibrated tightening", it was expected that the benchmark interest rates would go up in the coming months, but, unexpectedly, the benchmark interest rates remain unchanged. So, the sentence (E) should be the second sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (B) provides information about the expectation and opinion/consensus in the business world and/or stock market. So, the sentence (B) should be the third sentence of the coherent paragraph. Now, we have CEB as the coherent sub-sequence.

The sentences (A) and (F) provide information about the effects of the decision made by the RBI on the valuation of the Rupee against the U.S. dollar, and on the stocks and bond yields.

Among the sentences (A) and (F), the sentence (A) should come before the sentence (F) because of the presence of the term 'also' in the sentence (F). Also, the presence of the phrase 'not surprisingly' in the sentence (A) provides a correct start to the effect of the decision taken by the RBI.

So, the sentence (A) should be the Fourth Sentence, while the sentence (F) should be the Fifth Sentence.

Finally, the correct coherent paragraph is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (D) is irrelevant and out-of-context and isn't the part of the final coherent sequence.

S12. Ans. (d)

Sol. The final coherent sequence is **CEBAF**.

Among the given options, the options (a), (b), (c) and (e) are irrelevant and out of context and don't get well with the last sentence of the coherent paragraph.

Only the option (d) is the most relevant option which matches well with the last sentence of the coherent paragraph i.e., **F**.

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Finally, the correct coherent paragraph is **CEBAF**.

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Hence, the option (d) is the correct answer.

S13. Ans. (c)

Sol. The final coherent sequence is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (C) introduces the theme of the paragraph which is '*the RBI pulling a surprise on the Market and keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged.*' So, the sentence (C) should be the first sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (E) provides information about the circumstance(s) when the decision was made and **elaborates the term 'surprise' (mentioned in the sentence (C))**. When the central bank changed its policy stance from "neutral" to "calibrated tightening", it was expected that the benchmark interest rates would go up in the coming months, but, unexpectedly, the benchmark interest rates remain unchanged. So, the sentence (E) should be the second sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (B) provides information about the expectation and opinion/consensus in the business world and/or stock market. So, the sentence (B) should be the third sentence of the coherent paragraph. Now, we have CEB as the coherent sub-sequence.

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So, the sentence (A) should be the Fourth Sentence, while the sentence (F) should be the Fifth Sentence.

Finally, the correct coherent paragraph is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (D) is irrelevant and out-of-context and isn't the part of the final coherent sequence.

Clearly, E-B is a consecutive sequence while others are not. Hence, the correct answer is the option (c).



S14. Ans. (a)

Sol. The final coherent sequence is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (C) introduces the theme of the paragraph which is '*the RBI pulling a surprise on the Market and keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged.*' So, the sentence (C) should be the first sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (E) provides information about the circumstance(s) when the decision was made and **elaborates the term 'surprise' (mentioned in the sentence (C))**. When the central bank changed its policy stance from "neutral" to "calibrated tightening", it was expected that the benchmark interest rates would go up in the coming months, but, unexpectedly, the benchmark interest rates remain unchanged. So, the sentence (E) should be the second sentence of the coherent paragraph.

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So, the sentence (A) should be the Fourth Sentence, while the sentence (F) should be the Fifth Sentence.

Finally, the correct coherent paragraph is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (D) is irrelevant and out-of-context and isn't the part of the final coherent sequence.

Hence, the correct answer is the option (a).

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. The fourth sentence after the rearrangement is the sentence (A).

The final coherent sequence is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (C) introduces the theme of the paragraph which is '*the RBI pulling a surprise on the Market and keeping its benchmark interest rate unchanged.*' So, the sentence (C) should be the first sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (E) provides information about the circumstance(s) when the decision was made and **elaborates the term 'surprise' (mentioned in the sentence (C))**. When the central bank changed its policy stance from "neutral" to "calibrated tightening", it was expected that the benchmark interest rates would go up in the coming months, but, unexpectedly, the benchmark interest rates remain unchanged. So, the sentence (E) should be the second sentence of the coherent paragraph.

The sentence (B) provides information about the expectation and opinion/consensus in the business world and/or stock market. So, the sentence (B) should be the third sentence of the coherent paragraph. Now, we have CEB as the coherent sub-sequence.

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So, the sentence (A) should be the Fourth Sentence, while the sentence (F) should be the Fifth Sentence.

Finally, the correct coherent paragraph is **CEBAF**.

The sentence (D) is **irrelevant** and **out-of-context** and isn't the part of the final coherent sequence.

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