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Directions (1-7): In the given passage several blanks are given and for each blank four alternatives are provided with two words each. Choose the option from which both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. If none of the given options can fit the blank then choose option (e) 'None of these' as your answer.

The Right to Information Act's role in _____ (1) a more informed citizenry and an accountable government has never been in doubt ever since its implementation in 2005. But there have been persistent and growing misgivings. Section 4 of the Act calls for pro-active and voluntary _____ (2) of information, but only a few Central and State institutions have published relevant information; here, Rajasthan has taken a lead through its Jan Soochna portal. The other problem has been persisting vacancies in the State and Central Information Commissions, which was raised in a plea in the Supreme Court on Monday. A three-judge Bench led by the CJI allowed the request and asked the Centre and States to _____ (3) filling up the vacancies. The CJI also curiously observed that officials were sensing fear leading to paralysis of action due to the working of the RTI, going on to _____ (4) that the kind of queries that were sometimes being asked were not always in public spirit and were posed by people who had no "locus standi" in the matter regarding the queries. This argument by the CJI is difficult to accept as the RTI Act _____ (5) rejects the need for locus standi in Section 6(2) — "an applicant making request for information shall not be required to give any reason for requesting the information...". This clause is present for vital reasons — seeking locus standi in order to respond to public requests could result in a chilling effect as public authorities (PAs) could choose to deny information to general citizens on subjective grounds. Besides, information commissioners and public officials have the authority to reject requests based on criteria that enable _____ (6) from information disclosure. Data on RTI requests since 2005 show that the yearly rejection rate (requests rejected as a percentage of those received) has come down steadily to 4.7% in 2018-19. A change in the Act that seeks locus standi as a _____ (7) could dramatically increase this number.

Q1.

- (a) Recover, Entire
- (b) Folly, Acumen
- (c) Fostering, Developing
- (d) Residue, Inertia
- (e) None of these

Q2.

- (a) Detain, Compliant
- (b) Censure, Approve
- (c) Quickness, Agree
- (d) Dissemination, Distribution
- (e) None of these

Q3.

- (a) Expedite, Accelerate
- (b) Retreat, Release
- (c) Screen, Assured
- (d) Incursion, Plain
- (e) None of these

Q4.

- (a) Upright, Exacerbate
- (b) Specifics, Detail
- (c) Secluding, Reduction
- (d) Haughty, Socialize
- (e) None of these

Q5.

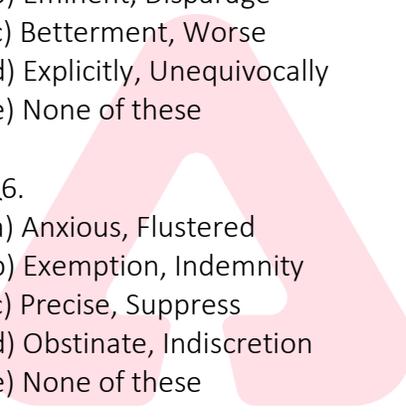
- (a) Sullen, Modesty
- (b) Eminent, Disparage
- (c) Betterment, Worse
- (d) Explicitly, Unequivocally
- (e) None of these

Q6.

- (a) Anxious, Flustered
- (b) Exemption, Indemnity
- (c) Precise, Suppress
- (d) Obstinate, Indiscretion
- (e) None of these

Q7.

- (a) Matchless, Flatter
- (b) Criterion, Standard
- (c) Perverse, Amiable
- (d) Calm, Hostile
- (e) None of these



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Directions (8-15): In the following passage, there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

Beijing has a mini-outbreak. Around 100 people in one part of the city, now _____(8)_____ off in what amounts to a lockdown. If Beijing in its entirety ever goes Wuhan, this will be a disaster for China. Beijing escaped the winter with less than 500 reported cases of the new SARS coronavirus. If they start climbing and _____(9)_____ that now, it could erase the recent positive news out of Wuhan, where testing of some 11 million people there turned up just around 300 infections, according to public health officials.

The new infections in Beijing have been traced to a wholesale meat and fish market following 55 days without a single, local case in the Chinese capital. "We'll close the door for several days. There are now all kinds of _____(10)_____ from above," a barber surnamed Li at his shop in Beijing's Chaoyang district told the South China Morning Post today. "We'll have to wait and see how long it is going to last." Wu Zunyou, chief epidemiologist with the Chinese Center for Disease Control and Prevention, said Beijing reacted to the outbreak in time, and that the case count in the next two weeks will be _____(11)_____. The virus takes as little as five days to as long as 14 days to incubate, though normally it takes within a week before someone shows signs of the disease after coming in contact with the virus.

"The measures in Beijing are timely and effective. Those who are infected might show symptoms in the coming two days," Wu told state broadcaster CCTV last night. "If the number of reported cases does not increase much, then the epidemic has basically been controlled." Outside of Thursday's outbreak in Beijing, China has _____(12)_____ Covid-19 into submission. The news out of Beijing just serves as yet another example of how quickly and easily the virus spreads. _____(13)_____ it fully might be impossible.

This week will be key in Beijing. If the case _____(14)_____ continues to rise, then Beijing may very well end up with more cases now than it did during peak coronavirus back in January and February, when much of the country was closed to stop the spread. On June 14, only 177 people in China were in the hospital, nationwide, coping with Covid-19. That was down from the February 17 peak of 58,016, most of them in Wuhan, the global _____(15)_____ of the outbreak in China's Hubei province. The recovery rate for hospitalized patients is now 94% across China, up from 17% on February 17 during peak coronavirus.

Q8.

- (a) Revenged
- (b) Reattributed
- (c) Cordoned
- (d) Forgive
- (e) Left

Q9.

- (a) Surpass
- (b) Reprisal
- (c) Satisfaction
- (d) Playable
- (e) Distress

Q10.

- (a) Spying
- (b) Disproportionate
- (c) Defensible
- (d) Comparable
- (e) Inspections

Q11.

- (a) Supportive
- (b) Argued
- (c) Equivalent
- (d) Crucial
- (e) Transparent

Q12.

- (a) Problematic
- (b) Wrestled
- (c) Divest
- (d) Breakthrough
- (e) Hitch

Q13.

- (a) Eradicating
- (b) Ratifying
- (c) Optioning
- (d) Liberating
- (e) Appreciating

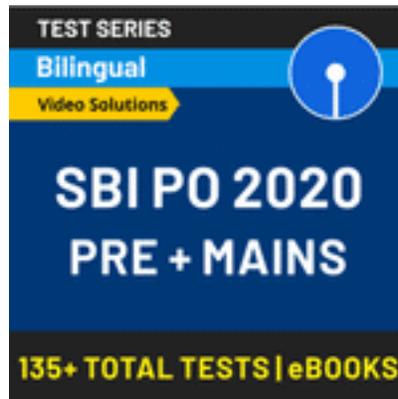
Q14.



- (a) Orders
- (b) Vanities
- (c) Eager
- (d) Requests
- (e) Load

Q15.

- (a) Strength
- (b) Boost
- (c) Epicenter
- (d) Raise
- (e) Impatience



S1. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Fostering and Developing;** Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Dissemination and Distribution;** Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S3. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Expedite and Accelerate;** Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S4. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Specifics and Detail;** Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S5. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Explicitly and Unequivocally**; Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Exemption and Indemnity**; Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S7. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Criterion and Standard**; Both words can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S8. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Cordoned** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S9. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Surpass** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S10. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Inspections** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S11. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Crucial** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S12. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Wrestled** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Eradicating** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S14. Ans. (e)

Sol. **Load** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (e)** is the right answer choice.

S15. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Epicenter** fits in the blank appropriately. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

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