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Reasoning Ability

Direction (1- 3): In the following question assuming the given statements to be true, find which of the conclusion(s) is/are is definitely true and then give your answers accordingly.

1). Statement:

$$C = L > A \geq Y; L < P; C > T$$

Conclusions:

I. $C > P$

II. $T > Y$

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
(c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
(e) Both I and II follow

2). Statement:

$$Q > U = E > R = T > Y; R < X$$

Conclusions:

I. $T < Q$

II. $Y > X$

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
(c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
(e) Both I and II follow

3). Statement:

$$G > R = E \leq A > T; H = G$$

Conclusions:

I. $E > H$

II. $G > T$

- (a) Only I follows (b) Only II follows
(c) Either I or II follows (d) Neither I nor II follows
(e) Both I and II follow

Direction (4-8): Study the following information carefully and answer the following question.
Eight people i. A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H are born in eight different years i. 1945, 1956, 1970, 1973, 1979, 1987, 1994 and 1998 but not necessarily in the same order. The age is calculated according to the present year i. 2021. Difference between the ages of D and G is 11. G is younger than Two

people were born between D and A. Difference between the ages of A and C is 14. Difference between the ages of C and B is 11. Difference between the ages of E and H is 9. E is older than H.

4). F was born in which of the following year?

- (a) 1998 (b) 1956 (c) 1994 (d) 1979
(e) None of these

5). What is the age of E?

- (a) 51 years (b) 48 years (c) 27 years
(d) 34 years (e) None of these

6). What is the sum of the ages of E and H?

- (a) 143 (b) 94 (c) 126 (d) 181
(e) None of these

7). How many people were born between F and E?

- (a) Two (b) Three (c) One (d) None (e) Five

8). How many people were born before A?

- (a) Three (b) One (c) Two (d) More than three
(e) None

9). In a certain code language, 'QUART' is written as 'RTBQU' and 'STOLE' is written as 'TSPKF' and 'ENTRY' is written as 'FMUQZ'. How will 'CRIME' be written in that language?

- (a) DSJLF (b) DSJNL (c) BQJLF (d) DQJLF
(e) DQJNL

10). How many such pairs of digits are there in the number '74951362' which have as many digits between them as they have in numerical series (in forward and backward both directions)?

- (a) Two (b) Three (c) Six (d) More than Six
(e) None

11). If JOLLY is written as ZMKPK, FROST is written as UTNSG then how will ASKED be written as?

- (a) EFLT B (b) FFJT B (c) EFJEB (d) EFJT B
(e) EFLEB

12). How many such pairs of digits are there in the number '2947631' which have as many digits

between them in the number as they have between in numerical series (in forward and backward both directions)?

- (a) Three (b) Four (c) Five (d) Six
(e) More than Six

13). If in the number 961754382 2 is subtracted from each even digit and 1 is subtracted from each odd digit then which digit will not appear twice in the new number?

- (a) 8 (b) 6 & 4 (c) 4 (d) 0 & 4 (e) None of these

14). How many such pairs of letters are there in the word DECODING each of which has as many letters between them in the word in both forward and backward directions as in the English alphabet?

- (a) More than five (b) Four (c) Five (d) Three
(e) Two

15). How many such pairs of letters are there in the word COMMUNICATE each of which has as many letters between them in the word in both forward and backward directions as in the English alphabet?

- (a) One (b) Two (c) Three (d) More than Five
(e) Four

Direction (16-18): Study the following information and answer the given questions.

$P\beta Q$ (2) = P is 4 m to the North of Q

$P\odot Q$ (5) = P is 10 m to the South of Q

$P^{\text{TM}}Q$ (9) = P is 18 m to the East of Q

$P\&Q$ (10) = P is 20 m to the West of Q.

$A\&B$ (8), $D^{\text{TM}}C$ (7), $E^{\text{TM}}F$ (3, 5), $C\beta B$ (4), $E\odot D$ (7),
 $F\odot G$ (3)

16). What is the direction of C with respect to E?

- (a) North East (b) North West (c) South West
(d) South East (e) None of these

17). What is the shortest distance between A and G?

- (a) 24 m (b) 25 m (c) 22 m (d) 23 m
(e) None of these

18). What is the direction of D with respect to F?

- (a) North-West (b) South-East (c) North-East
(d) South-West (e) None of these

Direction (19-20): Study the data carefully and answer the questions accordingly.

There are eight members in a family with three married couples. P, who is the grandfather of Q, is the father of two sons. R is the sister-in-law of A, who is a married man. B is the brother-in-law of D, who is the sister-in-law of R and not the mother of Q. G is the grandmother of J, who is the only child of D.

19). Who is the father of J?

- (a) Q (b) P (c) A (d) B (e) None of these

20). If J is the son of A, then How many male members are there in a family?

- (a) Four (b) Five (c) Three
(d) Cannot be determined (e) None of these

Direction (21-25): Study the following information carefully and answer the following questions.

Seven people i.e., A, B, C, D, E, F, and G are going to Delhi on seven different days of week starting from Monday to Sunday. All the information is not necessarily in the same order. Only three people go after Two people go between E and A. Number of people go after A is same as number of people go before One person goes between F and G. C goes just before G. More than two people go between D and B.

21). How many people go after B?

- (a) Four (b) Five (c) One (d) Six (e) None

22). How many people go before F?

- (a) Three (b) More than three (c) Two (d) One
(e) None

23). A goes on which day?

- (a) Saturday (b) Wednesday (c) Friday
(d) Sunday (e) None of these

24). Who goes on Friday?

- (a) E (b) F (c) G (d) A (e) None of these

25). How many people go between G and B?

- (a) Three (b) Two (c) One (d) None (e) Four

Direction (26-30): Study the following information carefully and answer the following questions.

Eight people i.e., A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H are sitting around a circular table with equidistance to each other but not necessarily in the same order. Some of them face inside the table and some face outside the table. B sits third to the right of D. Two people sit between B and A. G sits to the immediate right of A who faces inside the table. E

sits second to the left of G. C sits to the immediate right of E who faces outside the table. F sits third to the right of C. Both H and C face the same direction. Immediate neighbours of H face the opposite direction to H.

26). What is the position of H with respect to G?

- (a) Second to the right (b) Third to the right
(c) Immediate left (d) Immediate right

27). Who sits third to the left of H?

- (a) B (b) E (c) A (d) C (e) None of these

28). How many people face inside the table?

- (a) Four (b) Two (c) One (d) Three (e) Five

29). Four of the following five are alike in a certain way and hence form a group. Which amongst the following does not belong to that group?

- (a) G (b) F (c) A (d) H (e) B

30). How many people sit between G and C when counted from right of C?

- (a) Three (b) More than three (c) None (d) One
(e) Two

Direction (31-35): Study the following information and answer the given questions.

Seven People i. A, B, C, D, E, F and G live in a seven-floor building. The lowermost floor is numbered as 1, the floor above it numbered as 2 so on till the last floor which is numbered as 7. They all like different colours. All the information is not necessarily in the same order.

F lives on an even numbered floor above floor number 2. Two people live between F and the one who likes Yellow. The one who likes Yellow lives below F. Three people live between B and the one who likes Yellow. Number of people live above B is same as live below Three people live between D and the one who likes Blue. Two people live between the one who likes Blue and the one who likes Red. E lives above the one who likes Red on an even numbered floor. One person lives between E and the one who likes White. The one who likes Pink lives above the one who likes Black but below the one who likes Brown. A does not like blue and lives above C

31). How many people live above the one who likes Pink?

- (a) Four (b) One (c) Three (d) Two (e) None

32). How many people live between the one who likes Yellow and C?

- (a) One (b) Three (c) Four (d) None (e) Two

33). Who amongst the following likes Black?

- (a) D (b) C (c) A (d) E (e) None of these

34). B likes which of the following colour?

- (a) Blue (b) Brown (c) White (d) Pink
(e) None of these

35). How many people live below the one who likes Blue?

- (a) Three (b) One (c) Four (d) Two (e) None

Numerical Ability

Direction (1-9): What will come in the place of the question mark (?) in the following question?

1). $67 - 549 + 633 - 16\frac{2}{3}\% 3984 = ? + (33)^2$

- (a) 3019 (b) 2098 (c) 2138 (d) 2974 (e) 2797

2). $(5092 + 7808) \div \sqrt[3]{?} = (75 \times 86)$

- (a) 6 (b) 18 (c) 64 (d) 2 (e) 8

3). $5\frac{5}{19}\% \text{ of } 6859 + \sqrt{1521} = ?^2$

- (a) 24 (b) 40 (c) 20 (d) 400 (e) None of these

4). $? \times (773.5 + 926.5) = (2893.5 + 2206.5) \times \frac{29}{3}$

- (a) 18 (b) 15 (c) 87 (d) 29 (e) 9

5). $(368 - 28) \times (231 + 273) \div (22 \times 16 - 16) = ? + 22 \times 16$

- (a) 158 (b) 310 (c) 289 (d) 178 (e) 208

6). $225\% \text{ of } 92 + (5832)^{1/3} + ? = (10609)^{1/2} + (24 \times 6.5)$

- (a) 24 (b) 64 (c) 54 (d) 44 (e) 34

7). $8\frac{1}{15} - 5\frac{1}{6} + 9\frac{1}{3} - 3\frac{1}{4} + 7\frac{1}{5} = ?$

- (a) $12\frac{11}{60}$ (b) $16\frac{19}{60}$ (c) $15\frac{13}{60}$ (d) $16\frac{11}{60}$

(e) $14\frac{17}{60}$

8). $(1764)^{\frac{1}{2}} (2744)^{\frac{1}{3}} + 172 - ? = \sqrt{1296} + 64$

- (a) 110 (b) 100 (c) 10 (d) 20 (e) 50

9). $121 \times 35 - (63)^2 + (?)^2 = 3243 - (11)^2 - 2280$

- (a) 26 (b) 24 (c) 576 (d) 36 (e) 28

10). Sanjh invested a certain sum at the rate of 20% per annum for 2 years to get compound interest annually. If the amount earned at the end of 2 years is Rs. 3240, what was the sum invested by Sanjh?

- (a) Rs. 2250 (b) Rs. 2500 (c) Rs. 2000
(d) Rs. 2750 (e) None of these

11). Interest received on investment of Rs. X at the rate of 10% per annum compound interest for 2 years is Rs. 3180 less than the interest received on investment of Rs. (X + 2000) at the rate of 20% per annum compound interest for 2 years. What is the value of X?

- (a) 1000 (b) 5000 (c) 8000 (d) 10000 (e) 12500

Direction(12-13): In the following question two equations are given in variables x and y. You have to solve these equations and determine the relation between x and y.

12). I. $x^2 - 28x + 187 = 0$

II. $y^2 + 23y + 102 = 0$

- (a) $x > y$ (b) $x \leq y$ (c) $x < y$ (d) $x \geq y$
(e) $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established

13). I. $4x - 5y = 8$

II. $3x + 2y = 52$

- (a) $x > y$ (b) $x \leq y$ (c) $x < y$ (d) $x \geq y$
(e) $x = y$ or relationship between x and y can't be established

14). A started a business with the capital of Rs. 1500. After 4 months B also joined the business with capital Rs. (1500 + x) respectively. If at the end of the year, the ratio of profit shares of A and B is 15 : 14, then find the value of x.

- (a) 400 (b) 640 (c) 600 (d) 960
(e) None of these

15). The length of train A and train B is 240 m and 360 m respectively and the ratio of the speeds of train A to train B is 4 : 5. If train A can cross a tree

in 8 seconds, find the time taken by train B to cross 315 m long platform

- (a) 25 seconds (b) 20 seconds (c) 16 seconds
(d) 24 seconds (e) 18 seconds

16). P, Q, and R contract a work for Rs 2070. P and Q together completed two-third part of the work and remaining work is done by R. Find the share of R.

- (a) Rs 690 (b) Rs 640 (c) Rs 600 (d) Rs 450
(e) None of these

17). Ratio between the downstream speed and upstream speed of the boat is 7 : 5 . If Speed of the current is 6 km/h, how much time boat will take to cover a distance 126 km in downstream ?

- (a) 4 hours (b) 6 hours (c) 3 hours (d) 2 hours
(e) None of these

18). In a mixture of 350 litres, the ratio of the juice to water is 4 : 1. If x litres of mixture is taken out and x litres of water added in the mixture, the ratio of juice to water becomes 4 : 3, find the difference between the quantity of the water and juice in the final mixture

- (a) 70 litres (b) 80 litres (c) 50 litres (d) 60 litres
(e) None of these

19). A person spend 20% of his monthly salary in paying EMI. He spends 15% of his remaining salary in house rent and then 25% of the remaining salary is spend in paying car insurance. he is left with Rs. 1530, find his monthly salary.

- (a) Rs. 4000 (b) Rs. 3600 (c) Rs. 3000
(d) Rs. 2700 (e) None of these

20). Manish's age is 28 years more than his brother's age 7 years ago, the Manish's age was two times the brother's age at that time. What is the present age of Manish's brother?

- (a) 39 years (b) 18 years (c) 42 years
(d) 21 years (e) 35 years

21). LCM of two numbers is 484 and their product is 3872. If respective ratio of both numbers is 7 : 9. What is the sum of numbers?

- (a) 128 (b) 180 (c) 199 (d) 228 (e) 138

22). The monthly income of Anjana and Bhanu are in the ratio of 5 : 6 and the saving of Anjana and Bhanu is Rs. 30000 and Rs. 33000 respectively. If the expenditure of Anjana is 62.5% of the expenditure of Bhanu, find the total monthly income of Anjana and Bhanu together.

- (a) Rs. 80000 (b) Rs. 87500 (c) Rs. 82500
(d) Rs. 75000 (e) None of these

23). An article is sold for Rs. 480 at 20% loss. If this article was sold at 12.5% profit, what would have been its selling price?

- (a) Rs. 450 (b) Rs. 540 (c) Rs. 600 (d) Rs. 675
(e) None of these

24). Pipe 'A' can fill a tank in 20 hours which is 4 hours more than time taken by pipe 'B' to fill 50% of the same tank. Pipe 'C' takes 40 hours to empty the tank. Find the time taken to fill the 67.5% of the empty tank when all the pipes are opened together.

- (a) 12 hours (b) 16 hours (c) 20 hours
(d) 10 hours (e) None of these

Direction(25-29): In the following number series, only one number is wrong

25). Find out the wrong number.

55, 79, 43, 112, 50, 145, 57, 179

- (a) 43 (b) 112 (c) 50 (d) 145 (e) 179

26). 44, 44, 50, 74, 136, 254, 464 A. 464

- (a) 50 (b) 74 (c) 136 (d) 254

27). 303, 304, 309, 322, 351, 417

- (a) 322 (b) 417 (c) 351 (d) 304 (e) 309

28). 158, 80, 42, 24, 18, 13

- (a) 80 (b) 42 (c) 18 (d) 24 (e) 13

29). 39, 19, 18, 25, 5, 49, 118

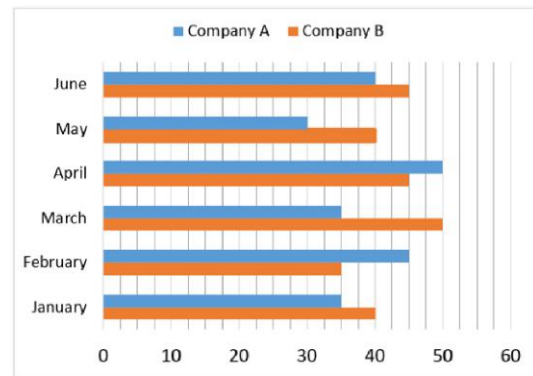
- (a) 118 (b) 49 (c) 25.5 (d) 18 (e) 19

30). Expenditure of Company B in February and March are Rs. 24 lakhs and Rs. 29 lakhs respectively. What was the total income of Company B in February and March together (in lakh rupees)?

- (a) 70 (b) 75.3 (c) 80 (d) 75.9
(e) None of these

Direction (30-35): Study the following graph carefully and answer the questions given below it.

The bar graph given below shows the percentage of profit earned by two companies i. e., A and B over the given months (January to June).



Percentage Profit =

$$\frac{\text{Income} - \text{Expenditure}}{\text{Expenditure}} \times 100$$

31). Ratio of expenditure of companies A and B in May was 3 : 4 respectively. What was the respective ratio of their incomes in May?

- (a) 2 : 3 (b) 23 : 37 (c) 43 : 56 (d) 29 : 46
(e) 39 : 56

32). If total expenditure of Company A in all the given months together was 165 lakhs, then find the total income of Company A in all the months together?

- (a) 76 lakhs (b) 80 lakhs (c) 90 lakhs
(d) Cannot be determined (e) None of these

33). If the expenditures of Companies A and B in June were equal and the total income of the two companies was Rs. 11.4 lakh, then what was the total expenditure of the two companies in June?

- (a) 8 lakhs (b) 10 lakhs (c) 12 lakhs (d) 16 lakhs
(e) 20 lakhs

34). If the income of Company B in March and April were in the ratio of 2 : 3 respectively, then what was the respective ratio of expenditure of Company B in these two months?

- (a) 2 : 3 (b) 4 : 5 (c) 29 : 45 (d) 39 : 55
(e) None of these

35). If the profit of company A in May and June is Rs. 12 lacs and Rs. 20 lacs respectively, then what is the income of company B in March, if expenditure of company B in March is the average of expenditure of company A in May and June together?

- (a) 47.5 lacs (b) 67.5 lacs (c) 67 lacs
(d) 57.5 lacs (e) None of these

English Language

Direction (1-9): The given question contains one statement that is divided into five parts, out of

which the first part is correct. There is some error in the three of the remaining four parts of the statement, while one part is correct. The correct part is your answer. In case all the parts are incorrect, the last option is your answer.

- 1). My driver revved the engine/ hard in an attempt to increasing/ the available power over/ the engine, but failed/ due to the favorable weather.
- (a) hard in an attempt to increasing
(b) the available power over
(c) the engine, but failed
(d) due to the favorable weather (e) All are incorrect
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- 2). Living under the shadow/ of the revolting must have/ had deteriorating effect in/ the personalities of the childrens/ who were growing over in those years.
- (a) Of the revolting must have
(b) Had deteriorating effect in
(c) The personalities of the childrens
(d) Who were growing over in those years
(e) All are incorrect
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- 3). Troops from the two sides then confronted each another close to a strategic valley (1)/ controlled by China that separates India from Bhutan (2)/ - a close Indian ally - and gives China access to the so-called Chicken's Neck, (3)/ a thin strip of land that connects India to its remote northeastern regions. (4)/ No error (5)
- (a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) 5
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- 4). Common shrew, whose favourite/ meal is earthworms, are very active,/ and must eat constantly to/ supply their ravenous metabolism.
- (a) Common shrew, whose favourite
(b) Meal is earthworms, are very active,
(c) And must eat constantly to
(d) Supply their ravenous metabolism (e) No error
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- 5). A cities (1) power outage hit many major (2) in the US after heavy (2) snow blanketed many parts of the country (4).
- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 2-4
(e) No exchange require
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- 6). The Indian (1) government is now ensure (2) a new initiative to promote 'zaid' (catch crops) to taking (3) extra income to farmers (4).
- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 1-4
(e) No exchange require
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- 7). Historically, vaccines (1) were made mandatory (2) for different sections (3) of the people, if not all,

in different (4) parts of the worl

- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 2-4
(e) No exchange require
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- 8). Numismatics or the questions (1) of coins offers one of the most reliable insights (2) into the past as it answers (3) several economic and social study (4).

- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 1-4
(e) No exchange require
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- 9). Leading (1) blood pressure remains a high (2) cause of death (3) and disability in India (4).

- (a) 1-2 (b) 2-3 (c) 3-4 (d) 2-4
(e) No exchange require
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Direction (10-14): In the given question, a part of the sentence is printed in bold Below the sentence, alternatives to the bold part are given at (A), (B), (C) and (D) which may help improve the sentence Choose the correct alternative In case the given sentence is correct, your answer is (E), i. "No correction required".

- 10). The water tank was designing of reflection the surrounding rural landscape which is formed of grassy and sandy terrain.
- (a) The water tank will have been designed to reflect
(b) The water tank was designed to reflect
(c) The water tank would have been designed to reflect
(d) The water tank is being designed of reflecting
(e) No correction required
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- 11). Canada's jurisdictional strengths making it one of the very prolific and secure locations in the world for mining companies to explore, develop, and produce gol
- (a) making it one of the most prolific and secured locations in the world
(b) makes them one of the most prolific and secured locations in the world
(c) makes it one of the much prolific and secure locations in the world
(d) make it one of the most prolific and secure locations in the world
(e) No correction required
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- 12). The benchmark share indices fell sharply on Tuesday after poor data for passenger vehicle sales in July lead to a declination in major automotive stocks.
- (a) led to a declining in (b) led to a decline in
(c) led to a declination in (d) lead to a declining
(e) No correction required

13). In a welcome move, India's first elephant hospital was inaugurated in Mathura, UP recently and it is fully-equipped with all necessary technology that is relished to treat our elephants.

- (a) that is requested to treat our elephants
- (b) that is required to treat our elephants
- (c) that is requisite to treat our elephants
- (d) that is rendered to treat our elephants
- (e) No correction required

14). Police in central India are sticking glow-in-the-dark strips on the horns of stray cattle to prevent motorists to crashing in the animals as they wander across roads at night.

- (a) to prevent motorists for crashing in
- (b) to preventing motorists for crashing into
- (c) to prevent motorists from crashing into
- (d) for preventing motorists to crashing in
- (e) No correction required

Direction (15-21): Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the these

15. The 60,000-odd Agariyas, a traditional salt-making community in the Western Indian state of Gujarat, at the Little Rann produce 30% of India's inland salt but they have no legal rights over the land on which they have been making salt for centuries.

The Little Rann of Kutch is an area where no human being stays. Agariyas make salt in 3% of this land but the 2011 census indicates that a population of 17.5 lakh from nearby areas is dependent on it – the fishers, truck drivers, labour to load salt and packaging units.

But now an ambitious water infrastructure project threatens to permanently wipe out their traditional occupation and way of life

Called Rann Sarovar, the project aims to turn Little Rann into the biggest freshwater lake in Asia. In 2019, Jaisukh Patel, who is the managing director of the Ajanta-Oreva Group that makes the Ajanta brand of wall clocks, had proposed to the central government, to build a freshwater lake in the Little Rann of Kutch called Rann Sarovar. The idea was to dam the creek to prevent seawater from entering the Rann, ____ (A) ____ a vast freshwater lake that can be used around the year.

"This blockage of seawater and movement of freshwater will in the long term, push the sub-surface salinity towards the sea and improve groundwater recharge," Patel said

The project, however, has invited criticism on account of technical viability, socio-economic and ecological impact. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research said that the project is a "huge techno-economical challenge" because the Little

Rann of Kutch has an arid climate and is seismically active

"Extensive evaporation from the lake will lead to humidity that will destroy the cumin, castor and cotton crop that grow in the dry Saurashtra region," said Bharat Somera, an Agariya, associated with the NGO AgariyaHitrakshak Manch that works for the rights of salt workers.

Asked about the livelihood of the Agariyas, Patel said that he has proposed to the government that the Agariyas should be given 10 acres of agricultural land where they can be rehabilitate "Inland salt making is a dying profession," he said "The Agariyas are the poorest people in Gujarat. I have proposed that they be employed to run the water-sports and boats when the Rann Sarovar comes up."

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15). In the given passage, which one of the following factors of Rann Sarovar has been severely targeted and criticized?

- (a) The project will displace the Agariya community.
- (b) Both C & D
- (c) It is proposed by a person with no experience in building dams.
- (d) The lake will change the variety of crops grown in the region.
- (e) All of the above

16). In this line,

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the speaker assumes that:

- (a) The government doesn't have any plans for rehabilitation of the Agariyas.
- (b) The administration has not done anything to improve the standard of living of the Agariyas.
- (c) The Agariyas live in a region with extreme weather conditions.
- (d) The administration is actively hostile towards the Agariyas.
- (e) None of the above

Direction (15-21): Read the given passage carefully and answer the questions that follow. Certain words are printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the these

15. The 60,000-odd Agariyas, a traditional salt-making community in the Western Indian state of Gujarat, at the Little Rann produce 30% of India's inland salt but they have no legal rights over the land on which they have been making salt for centuries.

The Little Rann of Kutch is an area where no human being stays. Agariyas make salt in 3% of this land but the 2011 census indicates that a population of 17.5 lakh from nearby areas is dependent on it – the fishers, truck drivers, labour to load salt and packaging units.

But now an ambitious water infrastructure project threatens to permanently wipe out their traditional occupation and way of life.

Called Rann Sarovar, the project aims to turn Little Rann into the biggest freshwater lake in Asia. In 2019, Jaisukh Patel, who is the managing director of the Ajanta-Oreva Group that makes the Ajanta brand of wall clocks, had proposed to the central government, to build a freshwater lake in the Little Rann of Kutch called Rann Sarovar. The idea was to dam the creek to prevent seawater from entering the Rann, ____ (A) ____ a vast freshwater lake that can be used around the year.

"This blockage of seawater and movement of freshwater will in the long term, push the sub-surface salinity towards the sea and improve groundwater recharge," Patel said.

The project, however, has invited criticism on account of technical viability, socio-economic and ecological impact. The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research said that the project is a "huge techno-economical challenge" because the Little Rann of Kutch has an arid climate and is seismically active.

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- 17). Which of the following correctly describes the tone of the passage?

(a) Formal (b) Nostalgic (c) Informative
(d) Critical (e) Hopeful

- 18). Which of the following statements is true about Agariyas with reference to the given passage?

I. Over centuries, they've adapted to the arid climate of the Little Rann of Kutch.
II. They're incapable of shifting from salt making to agriculture
III. They demand the legalisation of salt making by their community.

(a) Only I (b) Only III (c) Both II & III
(d) All I, II & III (e) None of the above

- 19). What occupation does the author refer to when he/she says, "their traditional occupation and way of life"?

I. Labour to pack and load salts.
II. Fishing.
III. Transportation of loads.
IV. Making salts.

(a) I, II and III (b) II and IV (c) II, III and IV
(d) I, II, III and IV (e) None of the above

- 20). Which of the given options can be used to complete the blank labelled (A) in the most appropriate way, contextually and grammatically?

(a) creating (b) have created (c) will create
(d) creates (e) been creating

- 21). What does the phrase 'a dying profession', as used in the passage, refer to?

(a) A less relevant profession
(b) A profession with low safety measures
(c) A profession with low financial returns
(d) A dangerous profession (e) None of the above

A word has been highlighted in the given sentence. Choose the word from the options which means the same as the word highlighted and can be used to replace it in the given sentence.

- 22). When costs soared, the studio took fright and recalled the company from Rom

(a) Reorder (b) Resign (c) Reiterate
(d) Reinstated (e) Removed

Direction (23-26): In the following question, a sentence with four words printed in bold is given. These words are numbered as (1), (2), (3) and (4). One of these four words may either be misspelt or inappropriate in the context of the sentence. Find out the word(s) that is wrongly spelt or inappropriate and mark the relevant option as your answer. If all the words printed in bold are correct, mark option (E), i. 'All are correct', as the answer.

- 23). The documentary (1) exposing the ways rich people launder (2) money has been trending (3) on the online platform (4) for a while now
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) All are correct

- 24). If some affirmative (1) action is not taken immediately (2), many low-lying areas will become submerged (3) in the upcoming decades (4).
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) All are correct

- 25). As one travels (1) from coastal (2) regions to the hills, the changes in living patterns (3) become prominent. (4)
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) All are correct

- 26). Baghdad (1) was the seat (2) of Renaissance (3) long before Europe could gather its bearings. (4)
(a) 1 (b) 2 (c) 3 (d) 4 (e) All are correct

Direction(27-30): In the given question, a statement has been divided into five segments, each of which is denoted by (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E)

- 27). Rearrange all the segments to form a coherent statement.

- A) growing population
B) ever-expanding workforce
C) to its

D) which contributes

E) India has a vast

- (a) EBCAD (b) BAECD (c) CBADE (d) EADCB
(e) ABCED

- 28). A) process of using
B) to alter the genetic
C) makeup of an organism
D) genetic engineering is the
E) recombinant DNA (rDNA) technology
(a) ABEDC (b) DAEB C (c) DCBAE (d) ABDEC
(e) BADEC

- 29). A) spacecraft operation
B) of autonomous
C) evaluate the advantages
D) engineers to
E) they will allow
(a) EDCBA (b) ABCED (c) ABCDE (d) EABCD
(e) CDBAE

- 30). A) Neil is a passionate
B) gold medals to his name
C) including five consecutive
D) Golds at Chelsea for his grasses
E) plantsman and has several
(a) ABCDE (b) EBCAD (c) AEBCD (d) CBDEA
(e) DABEC