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Directions (1-5): In the following passage, certain words which may be either contextually or grammatically incorrect have been highlighted and numbered. For each highlighted word four alternatives are provided that could replace the highlighted word to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Option corresponding that word will be your answer. If none of the given word could replace the highlighted word then choose option (e), i.e. 'None of these' as your answer.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has **steadily (1)** banks from maintaining cash reserve ratio (CRR) for loans to retail and micro, small and medium enterprises for five years, if these loans are extended between January 31 and July 31, 2020. "An amount equivalent to the **sentinel (2)** credit outstanding from the fortnight beginning January 31, 2020 and up to the fortnight ending July 31, 2020 will be eligible for deduction from NDTL (net demand and time liabilities) for the purpose of computing the CRR for a period of five years from the date of origination of the loan or the tenure of the loan, whichever is earlier," the RBI said. During the monetary policy review last week, the central bank said lenders will not have to maintain CRR for loans extended between the above mentioned time period. "...the Reserve Bank is actively engaged in **testifying (3)** the flow of bank credit to productive sectors having multiplier effects to support growth impulses," the RBI said. This exemption was available for incremental credit **attested (4)** as retail loans to automobiles, residential housing, and loans to micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs). At present, CRR is 4% of net demand and time liabilities. Banks do not earn any interest for maintaining CRR with the RBI. CRR is the proportion of deposits of deposits that a bank has to park with RBI in cash. "Banks are advised that they can claim the first such deduction from the NDTL of February 14, 2020 for the amount equivalent to the incremental credit extended to the sectors indicated above over the outstanding level of credit as at the end of the fortnight ended January 31, 2020," the RBI said in a notification. The move is expected to make loans **durable (5)** to these particular segments.

Q1.

- (a) Continued
- (b) Occasionally
- (c) Exempted
- (d) Coexistent
- (e) None of these

Q2.

- (a) Attestation
- (b) Incremental
- (c) Evidence
- (d) Disprovable
- (e) None of these

Q3.

- (a) Synchronizing
- (b) Documenting
- (c) Simultaneous
- (d) Revitalising
- (e) None of these

Q4.

- (a) Disbursed
- (b) Charged
- (c) Avoided
- (d) Evaded
- (e) None of these

Q5.

- (a) Larger
- (b) Passionate
- (c) Cheaper
- (d) Zealous
- (e) None of these

Directions (6-10): In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, some words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

India has quadrupled its imports of lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries and more than tripled its import bill on the product, vital for _____ (6) _____ a range of devices from cellphones to electric vehicles, from 2016-2018, the Union Science Ministry said in the Lok Sabha last Friday. Responding to a query, the Ministry said 175 million _____ (7) _____ batteries were imported in 2016, 313 million in 2017, 712 million in 2018 and 450 million from January 1, 2019, till November 30 of that year. The cost of these imports rose from \$383 million (₹2,600 crore approx) in 2016 to \$727.24 million (₹5,000 crore approx.) in 2017, \$1254.94 million (₹8,700 crore) in 2018 and \$929 million (₹6,500 crore) in 2019. Indian manufacturers source Li-ion batteries from China, Japan and South Korea and the country among the largest importers in the world. The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) manufactures such batteries but _____ (8) _____ are limited and they are restricted for use in space applications. In June 2018, Central Electro Chemical Research Institute (CECRI) in Tamil Nadu's Karaikudi, under the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) and RAASI Solar Power Pvt Ltd signed a Memorandum of Agreement for transfer of technology for India's first lithium-ion (Li-ion) battery project. To promote _____ (9) _____ development of such batteries, the Union Cabinet in 2019 approved a programme, called a National Mission on Transformative Mobility and Battery Storage in the NITI Aayog to "drive clean, connected, shared, sustainable and holistic mobility initiatives." China dominates the Li-ion battery market. According to a report by BloombergNEF "... Around three-quarters of battery cell manufacturing capacity is in China, and Chinese companies have

___(10)___ control of required domestic and foreign battery raw materials and processing facilities.”

Q6.

- (a) Destroyable
- (b) Dwindle
- (c) Prosperity
- (d) Powering
- (e) Alleviation

Q7.

- (a) Such
- (b) Solace
- (c) Decrease
- (d) Task
- (e) Boom



Q8.

- (a) Destitutions
- (b) Complex
- (c) Volumes
- (d) Abstract
- (e) Complicated

Q9.

- (a) Effortless
- (b) Ambiguous
- (c) Vulnerable
- (d) Definitive

(e) Indigenous

Q10.

- (a) Implied
- (b) Unparalleled
- (c) Expressed
- (d) Specified
- (e) Fragile

Directions (11-15): 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.

For approximately half the U.S. electorate, a nightmare that began with the unlikely election of Donald Trump to the presidency, is beginning to look as if it may _____ (11) _____ into a second term. The U.S. President's current approval rating (at 49%, in one poll) is the highest it has been since the day he took office. Initial hopes that his evident _____ (12) _____ and incompetence may lead to an early termination of his presidency have gradually given way to a shocked realisation that no matter what he does, says, or tweets, there is no _____ (13) _____ in his support among those who voted for him in the 2016 election or in the Republican party. Indeed, as the abortive attempt to impeach him underlined, his command over the party is stronger than ever today. The eruption of each _____ (14) _____ scandal followed by Mr. Trump's brazen strategy of a scorched-earth counterattack has led the U.S. to a point where it is now impossible to conceive of any scenario that could lead his supporters to rethink their _____ (15) _____. A seemingly hyperbolic comment made by Mr. Trump way back in January 2016, when he was a complete outsider among the aspirants for the Republican nomination ("I could stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot somebody and I wouldn't lose any voters") is reality today.

Q11.

- (a) Frugal, Goodly
- (b) Continue, Stay
- (c) Nominal, Wasteful
- (d) Abolish, Annihilate
- (e) None of these

Q12.

- (a) Establishment, Significance
- (b) Forecast, Augur
- (c) Blistering, Breathless
- (d) Venality, Corruptibility
- (e) None of these

Q13.

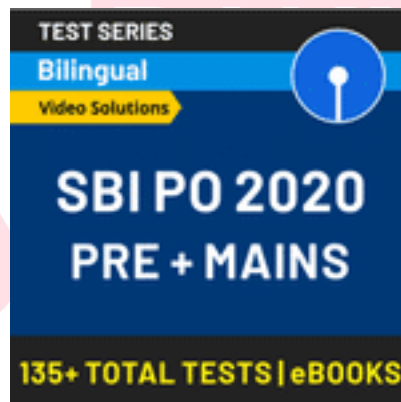
- (a) Diminution, Attenuation
- (b) Magnitude, Appreciate
- (c) Brisk, Dizzy
- (d) Depression, Devaluation
- (e) None of these

Q14.

- (a) Chaos, Muddle
- (b) Conjuraton, Charm
- (c) Outrageous, Shocking
- (d) Calm, Quiet
- (e) None of these

Q15.

- (a) Defy, Scorn
- (b) Allegiance, Adherence
- (c) Annex, Arrogate
- (d) Distress, Anguish
- (e) None of these



Solutions

S1. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Exempted** should replace **Steadily** to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S2. Ans. (b)

Sol. **Incremental** should replace **sentinel** to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, **option (b)** is the right answer choice.

S3. Ans. (d)

Sol. **Revitalising** should replace **Testifying** to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, **option (d)** is the right answer choice.

S4. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Disbursed** should replace **Attested** to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, **option (a)** is the right answer choice.

S5. Ans. (c)

Sol. **Cheaper** should replace **Durable** to make the given sentence both grammatically and contextually correct. Hence, **option (c)** is the right answer choice.

S6. Ans. (d)

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

S7. Ans. (a)

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

S8. Ans. (c)

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

S9. Ans. (e)

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

S10. Ans. (b)

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

S11. Ans. (b)

Sol. Both the words in **option (b)** can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

S12. Ans. (d)

Sol. Both the words in **option (d)** can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. Both the words in **option (a)** can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

S14. Ans. (c)

Sol. Both the words in **option (c)** can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

S15. Ans. (b)

Sol. Both the words in **option (b)** can fill in the blanks to make a grammatically correct and contextually meaningful sentence.

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