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Subject: Coherent paragraph

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Directions (1-5): Five statements are given below labeled (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e). Of these 4 statements form a coherent paragraph/ passage. From the given options, choose the option that doesn't fit the sequence.

Q1.

(a) Drivers chew some intoxicant, smoke, use pills and consume special drinks mainly to drive more, sleepless and deliver fast.

(b) A recent survey has found that truck and other vehicle drivers working overtime use intoxicants and suffer from health problems including sleeplessness and stress.

(c) Around 27% of the drivers surveyed admitted that they consumed alcohol while driving, another 10% said they chewed tobacco and 26% smoked beedi, the survey in the states revealed.

(d) The survey was conducted as part of a project by the Institute of Road Traffic Education (IRTE) and Centre for Disease Control and Prevention of the US.

(e) The survey on drivers was conducted across states including Rajasthan Maharashtra and the NCR.

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Q2.

(a) The book 'Knowing Christ Today' by Dallas Willard deals with the disastrous effects of divorcing the teachings of Jesus Christ and his people from the domain of human knowledge.

(b) Its aim is to reposition the substantial teachings of Christianity ("Mere" Christianity) as a body of knowledge in the contemporary world.

(c) I should alert the reader to the fact that this is not a devotional book, and that it will require considerable mental effort to understand.

(d) In the process it explains what knowledge is, as compared to belief, commitment and profession.

(e) It further clarifies the difference it makes whether or not an area of thought and practice is regarded as an area of knowledge.

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Q3.

(a) The "Dare to Lead" conference was attended by more than 150 women executives spanning across various industries and touched upon issues pertaining to the challenges faced by women in the corporate world.

(b) An Executive Debani Ghosh said that women have to stop putting themselves down; no one else can banish their insecurities for them.

(c) Be confident in your competence that you don't need to play the gender card anymore, equality can only be demanded if women themselves stop expecting any special treatment.

(d) From the shop-floor to board room women have proven that they are skilled.

(e) She further said, the challenge lies in acknowledging this and giving them their place under the sun.

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Q4.

(a) Authors do not always express in direct words what they want to say; they depend on the common sense of the reader to be able to form total impression of whole writing.

(b) In a comprehension exercise you may be asked all types of questions designed to test your knowledge of the passage.

(c) You may be asked to give the facts and interpretation of these facts.

(d) You may be asked to express the meaning of word or phrase as it is used in the passage.

(e) You may also be asked to find out the theme and tone of the passage.

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Q5.

(a) It is tough to find another sports person who holds so many records, given that cricket is a sport driven by numbers.

(b) He has made his fans fall in love with numbers because he kept clocking them one after the other, with each figure seeming more incredible.

(c) I remember the time when he suffered the tennis elbow; it was a big concern for us as he had missed many matches.

(d) 100 hundreds in international cricket, 15,847 test runs, first to score a double hundred in ODIs, most runs in World Cup the list goes on and on for him

(e) This should make for a good KBC question. How many records does Sachin Tendulkar hold?

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Directions (6-15): Five statements are given below, labelled a, b, c, d and e. Among these, four statements form a coherent paragraph. From the given options, choose the option that does not fit into the theme of the paragraph.

Q6. (a) Should the law allow 'living wills'?

(b) These are advance directives that people can lay down while being sound of mind, on whether they should continue to get life-sustaining treatment after they reach a stage of total incapacitation, that is, a vegetative state.

(c) The debate on allowing euthanasia as a means to protect the dignity of patients in a vegetative state has crystallised into a key question before a Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court.

(d) The question is fraught with legal, moral and philosophical implications.

(e) We must understand that people with mental illness are no different from people suffering with cancer.

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Q7. (a) The council, nominally the apex body that governs the new tax regime (where it is the Finance Minister who actually calls the shots), offered some more elements aimed at fine-tuning what was heralded as a "revolutionary" tax.

(b) There was high drama as Modi summoned Bharatiya Janata Party president Amit Shah from his Kerala mission and went into a huddle with Finance Minister Arun Jaitley the previous day.

(c) Nearly, 1.5 crore bank accounts were opened for people living below poverty line.

(d) Naturally, expectations of a "big bang" announcement were heightened; many, chastened by the sudden announcement of demonetisation last November, were also nervous because of the "anything-is-possible" fear associated with policymaking in the Modi era.

(e) What actually came out of the council's nine-hour-long deliberation could not have been more underwhelming.

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Q8. (a) It followed consecutive years of drought in India with production dipping to 16 million tonnes in 2015-16, the lowest in six years.

(b) New Delhi has been trying to refashion its ties with Africa with its India-Africa Summit outreach efforts with the first such event being held in New Delhi in 2008.

(c) So much so that India seems unable to keep a commitment it made to Mozambique last year to import pigeon peas—a popular pulse variety locally known as arhar—prompting a visit by Mozambican officials to New Delhi to seek clarity on the matter.

(d) The MoU or pact signed with Mozambique to buy arhar grown there was seen as the centrepiece of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to the East African country in last July.

(e) A bumper crop should ordinarily mean good news but a record harvest of pulses in India last year has led to a problem of plenty.

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Q9. (a) "Everybody was chasing numbers without providing employment to the youth or meeting sectoral industry needs."

(b) Yet the government's much-touted goal of providing skills training to 400 million people by 2022 is unlikely to be met, increasing India's significant unemployment burden in a country where 69% of jobs are under threat from automation.

(c) By 2026, 64% of Indians are expected to be in the working age group of 15-59 years, making it home to the largest workforce in the world.

(d) And with more than a million job seekers entering the market every month, India is already struggling to place its army of workers.

(e) India's so-called demographic dividend could turn into its biggest liability.

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Q10. (a) Impossibly tight U-bends and a steep road that circles out of the overcrowded mayhem of Mussoorie take you to the tranquil town of Landour.

(b) Originally a sanatorium built for the British Indian Army in 1827, it is one of the few Indian holiday destinations to have escaped overdevelopment.

(c) It's definitely a cooler place to stay than most hill stations, for reasons more than the temperature, which is 4-5 degrees Celsius lower than Mussoorie.

(d) The church, which has been immaculately preserved and is still in use, is simply bursting with stories from its fascinating past.

(e) It may be a mere 5km journey from the Queen of the Hills, but it's worlds away in time and temperament.

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Q11. (a) That would have created a huge accounting mess.

(b) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has finally released numbers that show how most of the currency notes that were cancelled were deposited in banks.

(c) The minor relief is that the value of notes returned was not greater than the value of currency printed by the Indian central bank.

(d) The press release by the Union finance ministry after the new currency data was made public similarly tries to broaden the set of benefits from demonetisation.

(e) The airy hopes that the Indian central bank would be able to extinguish a substantial chunk of its liabilities—and some mistakenly also argued that this would provide a fiscal bonanza that the government could use to recapitalize the banking system—have been believed.

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Q12. (a) There are two possible reasons for this, First, the impact on broad money was far less severe than the effect on base money thanks to the growth in bank deposits.

(b) He applied his analysis to a wide range of issues, including trade barriers, taxes, and government spending.

(c) The main negative economic consequence of demonetisation has been the disruption of unorganized supply chains that are dependent on cash transactions; it is still not clear how smoothly they were being rebuilt as the economy was remonetized.

(d) Second, informal contracts to settle financial transactions could have kept economic exchange going during the worst weeks of the cash crunch.

(e) However, it is also true that the Indian economy did not collapse because of the disruption of the monetary base, as some economists had predicted.

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Q13. (a) Enormous powers are vested in the military which can lead to war.

(b) Most of the victims are women and children, according to the UN's International Organisation for Migration, which has called for additional aid to cope with Dhaka's refugee situation.

(c) The continuing failure of the Myanmar government to act decisively and urgently to protect civilians from the raging crossfire between the security forces and insurgents is shocking

(d) The latest flare-up began last Friday when militants suspected to be from the Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army attacked military and police outposts.

(e) The recent clashes in the western State of Rakhine have claimed over 70 lives and forced thousands of Rohingya to flee across the border into Bangladesh, in a rapidly deteriorating humanitarian crisis.

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Q14. (a) This in itself brings a unique set of challenges to running and working for an organic company.

(b) There is a lot of work the regulators need to do in defining clear regulations and then spreading awareness about those.

(c) The larger system that governs how food is grown and distributed in the country is something that doesn't support us because what organic represents is the stark opposite of how conventional produce is grown, handled, priced, and distributed.

(d) And the other reality that feeds into how we plan our strategy, communication and positioning, after factoring in the general perception that many of us are corrupt and out there to cheat consumers.

(e) So, to uphold what should be and is expected of organic, we have to work outside of the current food system and manage the supply chain from production to retail in its entirety.

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Q15. (a) Apart from the loss of lives, there is extensive damage to urban infrastructure and, of course, a break in city's lifelines – the local trains and BEST buses.

(b) Cities such as Mumbai that are densely populated are vulnerable to floods and other disasters.

(c) Ensuing economic losses and disease burden are the obvious fallout.

(d) Flooding in urban areas, especially in a megalopolis such as Mumbai, is a result of prolonged rainfall that simply overwhelms the drainage system.

(e) Prior to that, India's flood management was restricted mostly to rural areas.

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S1.Ans.(a)

Sol.

The para is about the survey conducted on heavy vehicle drivers who work overtime and consume intoxicants. Statement (a) talks about drivers who drink and drive fast. While rest statements talk about survey conducted on heavy vehicle drivers, hence statement (a) is the odd one out.

S2.Ans.(c)

Sol.

The para is based on the content of the book called "knowing Christ today" by Dallas Willard.

Statement (a), (b),(d) mentions about content of the book but statement(c) mentions Dr.

Williams percept for the book.

S3.Ans.(a)

Sol.

Statement (a) describes about the conference held on women empowerment. While statement

(b), (c) and (d) mentions opinion of a women executive Debani Ghosh. The correct order is (b,c,d,e).

S4.Ans.(a)

S5.Ans.(c)

Sol.

Statement (b) describes how the sportsperson made incredible record and made his fans fall in love numbers. Statement (a) is also interconnected as it talks about the numbers " sports person who holds so many records" while statement (c) talks about the sportsperson's injury, it is to be noted that other remaining statements also are talking about his accomplishments hence option (c) is the correct choice.

S6. Ans. (e)

Sol. It can be inferred that sentences CABD forms the coherent paragraph as it talks about the necessity to make 'living wills' as legal. Read the sentence given in option (e), it is talking about the need to give importance to mental illness while we are talking about legalizing living wills in remaining statements hence option (e) doesn't fit in this sequence and hence is the correct choice of elimination.

S7. Ans. (c)

Sol. The paragraph is about the doubt in the mind of the people regarding the various reforms brought by the Modi government in the last few months. It can be viewed the sentences BDEA forms the coherent paragraph. Option (c) doesn't fit in this sequence as it talks about some specific statistics regarding the opening of bank accounts which is nowhere discussed in the remaining statements, and hence is the correct choice of elimination.

S8. Ans. (b)

Sol. It can be viewed that sentences ECDA forms the coherent paragraph as it is talking about the commitment given by the Indian government to Mozambique regarding the import of pigeon peas (arhar). Among the given options, only option (b) has no connection with any of

the other sentences of the paragraph as it is talking about renewing the ties between India and Mozambique. Hence sentence (b) is the correct choice.

S9. Ans. (a)

Sol. ECBD forms a coherent paragraph as it talks about the difficulties to be faced by the government in generating large number of jobs. Read the sentence given in option (a) it says people are bothered about quantity not the quality in terms of employment, which brings out some reason which has no connection with any other sentences of the paragraph. Hence option (a) is the correct choice.

S10. Ans. (d)

Sol. The paragraph is about the mesmerizing beauty of a small town of Landour which is 5km from Mussoorie. It is least crowded and has somehow escaped overdevelopment which has retained its natural charm. AECB forms a coherent paragraph whereas option (d) has no role to play in this particular paragraph as it talks about a specific church and the stories related to it. Hence option (d) is the correct choice.

S11. Ans. (d)

Sol. The paragraph is about the lessons of demonetization. Going through the sentences, we find that sentences BECA form a coherent paragraph while sentence (d) is not a part of the paragraph.

The coherent paragraph talks about failure to recapitalize the bank as the value of notes returned was not greater than the value of currency printed by the Indian central bank while sentence (d) talks about broadening the set of benefits from demonetization which does not relate to other sentences. Hence sentence (d) is the right choice.

S12. Ans. (b)

Sol. Going through the sentences, we find that sentences CEAD form a coherent paragraph while sentence (b) is not a part of the paragraph. The sentences forming the coherent paragraph talk about the negative economic consequences of demonetization and reasons behind the non-failure of Indian economy because of disruption of the monetary base. Thus, sentence (b) is irrelevant. Hence sentence (b) is the correct choice.

S13. Ans. (a)

Sol. Sentence CEBD forms a coherent paragraph as the paragraph is about Myanmar's refusal to address the Rohingya issue that diminishes its democratic transition. Sentence (a) is not a part of the paragraph as it is about powers vested in the military which is unrelated to other sentences. Hence sentence (a) is the right choice.

S14. Ans. (b)

Sol. Sentences CEAD forms a coherent paragraph as it talks about difference between the conventional produce and organic produce and what steps are to be needed to grow, handle, price and distribute the organic produce that brings many challenges.

Sentence (b) is not a part of the paragraph as it talks about what regulators need to do in defining clear regulations.

S15. Ans. (e)

Sol. Sentence DBAC forms a coherent paragraph as it talks about the result of prolonged rainfall in urban cities like Mumbai, which is densely populated leading to loss of urban infrastructure, local trains and BEST buses.

Sentence (e) talks about India's flood management that was restricted to rural areas and hence it is unrelated to other sentences.