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Direction: Fill in the blanks with appropriate word to form a meaningful sentence:

Question 1: India's navy is beginning to see the end product of decades of _____ and a continuing _____ of strategic planning.

- A) agitation, praise
- B) calmness, disdain
- C) confusion, neglect
- D) amazement, despite

Question 2: Recent moves by the government to try and _____ the _____ of savings rates in the country — many of which are still administratively set — are welcome and praiseworthy.

- A) resolve, diversity
- B) rationalize, multitude
- C) elucidate, phenomenon
- D) accumulate, majority

Question 3: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has _____ in line with _____ by keeping unchanged the repo rate, the rate at which the central bank lends to the banking system, at 6.25 per cent.

- A) enforced, assumption
- B) executed, view
- C) operated, fortune
- D) acted, expectations

Question 4: On Tuesday, the Madras High Court directed the Tamil Nadu government to waive farm loans taken by all farmers, _____ of their

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land holding, and to ensure that no penal action or loan recovery was _____ against them.

- A) irrespective, initiated
- B) needless, inserted
- C) impartial, originated
- D) respectful, sponsored

Question 5: Ever since Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced demonetisation in order to curb the use of black money, a _____ theme in public _____ has been the use of such unaccounted wealth in financing political parties.

- A) relaxed, domain
- B) fixed, execution
- C) recurring, discourse
- D) circular, attitude

Question 6: _____ summer and the water availability _____ in most part of the country.

- A) After, low
- B) Come, dwindles
- C) Attain, subside
- D) Occur, flourishes

Question 7: It is a great relief that the country is _____ to _____ the goods and services tax (GST) regime.

- A) next, forwarding
- B) concentrated, borrowing
- C) gaining, seize
- D) close, adopting

Question 8: The one _____ success of the Narendra Modi-led government is a/an _____ in the Centre's fiscal state.

- A) unequivocal, improvement
- B) certain, stoppage
- C) indisputable, stagnation
- D) questionable, organized

Question 9: The Supreme Court's _____ last week that the sale of vehicles meeting Bharat Stage-III (BS-III) emission norms won't be allowed from April 1 caught the industry on the wrong _____.

- A) ruling, bench
- B) verdict, foot

C) adjudication, terms

D) decision, sentence

Question 10: It appears that the central government and the Supreme Court are no _____ to a _____ on how senior judges should be appointed.

A) adjacent, refusal

B) approaching, contest

C) closer, compromise

D) proximity, pay

Question 11: As the boat _____ all those onboard fortunately managed to reach the bank of the river _____ with the help of the life boats.

A) capsized, drowned

B) fell,, harmlessly

C) dropped, uninjured

D) deceased, unhurt

E) sank,, safely

Question 12: Ashima _____ her team with a lot of skill and the _____ Increase In the sales by the team is a measure of her success.

A) dominates, poor

B) condemns, sudden

C) manages, significant

D) directs, worthless

E) overpowers, exceptional

Question 13: On being asked for the passport he _____ to his dismay that he had _____ to bring it along with him to the airport.

A) shocked, failed

B) realized, forgotten

C) pleaded, neglected,

D) understood, lost

E) recognized, missed

Question 14. Helen quickly _____ the career ladder and is now the _____ managing director, the company has ever appointed.

A) Jumped, shortest

B) entered,, oldest

C) started, Junior most

D) climbed, youngest

E) ascended, inexperienced

Question 15. A famous economist says that the government should do more to _____ jobs in the area in order to curb the _____ rate of unemployment.

- A) create, rising
- B) need, increasing
- C) employ, high
- D) invent, growing.,
- E) generate – slowing

Question 16: Many people _____ genetically modified food but the reality is that all the food that we eat has been genetically modified naturally by thousands of years of _____

- A) praise, manipulation
- B) grow, mismanagement
- C) criticize, farming
- D) avoid, experience
- E) condemn, abuse

Question 17: Given that only seven percent of the country's labor force the organised sector, training options _____ for the unorganized sectors should also be _____

- A) available, enhanced
- B) absent, improved
- C) lacking, sustained
- D) existing, restricted .
- E) offered, limited

Question 18: Government initiatives and participation of many industrial houses in _____ loans to the villager have led to the _____ of the farmers.

- A) providing, plight
- B) disbursing, betterment
- C) denying, revitalization
- D) subsidizing, suffering,
- E) taking, advancement

Question 19: Indians will _____ one fourth of total work force in the next five years but India needs to introspect whether its education system is _____ for these demographic dividends.

- A) become, adequate
- B) consist, incompetent
- C) constitute, unequipped
- D) represent, sound
- E) comprise, prepared

Question 20: What goes into making a marriage can only be _____ by trial and error and couples are best left to _____ out what works.

- A) discovered, translate
- B) regulated, find
- C) learnt, figure
- D) seen, thrash
- E) experienced, judge

Question 21: Parents need to encourage their children to look

_____ the traditional fields so that a passion can be _____ into a career,

- A) Beyond, developed
- B) outside, moved
- C) along, blossom
- D) besides, pushed
- E) within, matured

Question 22: In an _____ to save farmers from vagaries of Monsoon, the government will soon _____ villages with nearest sources of water.

- A) Event, join
- B) efforts, link
- C) endeavour, assign
- D) attack, allot
- E) attempt, connect

Question 23: _____ green and black tea are obtained from the same plant, there are quite a few significant differences _____ them.

- A) Although, attaching
- B) since, among
- C) However, in
- D) Though, between
- E) Because, across

Question 24: Sports leagues have _____ sports like Kabaddi, football and Tennis a leg up but that may not be _____ to transform Indian sport.

- A) Sent, sufficient
- B) thrown, ample
- C) given, enough
- D) set, much
- E) shown, adequate

Question 25: Time and again, worried analysts have _____. of trouble, as debt laden and spendthrift consumers are to rein in their spending.

- A) Thought, eager
- B) alarmed, force
- C) wondered, armed
- D) cautioning, likely
- E) warned, unwilling

Question 26: The Finance Department has _____ a centralized online databank system for all statutory government bodies to _____ an eye on their assets and liabilities.

- A) presented, stay
- B) introduced, keep
- C) announce, make
- D) created, let
- D) proclaimed, hold

Question 27: More is _____ of conditions of the tribal's in Maharashtra than _____ conditions of those in the other parts of the country.

- A) certain, the
- B) known, of
- C) aware, of
- D) favorable, those
- E) uncertain, all

Question 28: In a _____ tone, the leader made a powerful _____ to the mob.

- A) realistic, zeal
- B) lower, conviction
- C) loud, argument
- D) soft, appeal
- E) pitch, statement

Question 29: The government has _____ that the infrastructure for the new project must be completed _____ the next six months.

- A) stipulated, for
- (b) sanction, by
- (c) assurance, in
- (d) mandated, within
- (e) envisage, during

Question 30: The official not only – the renewal of the contract but also _____ the information about its status.

- A) revealed, classified
- B) withdrawn, leaked
- C) delayed, withheld
- D) interfere, refused
- E) impeded, excluding

Question 31: Demand and supply do not _____ the same relationship as the one that _____ between height and weight.

- A) possess, has
- B) incur, is
- C) defend, volunteers
- D) bear, borne
- E) have, exists

Question 32: If the system _____ to yield the desired result, try to _____ the whole procedure In the given sequence.

- A) entitles, dump
- B) ignores, reproduce
- C) fails, reoperate
- D) imitates, generate
- E) equips, encompass

Question 33. He is so _____ in his approach that not a single point ever _____ his attention.

- A)meticulous, escapes
- B)casual, erodes
- C)fanatic, brings
- D)deliberate, attracts
- E)nasty, coincides

Question 34. Generally, _____ students _____ those who are mediocre.

- A)humble, surmount
- B)meritorious, surpass
- C)bright, overestimate,
- D)intelligent, surrender

E)studious, respect

Question 35:. _____ and _____ should not be tolerated in our country which boasts of Ahimsa as its way of life.

- A)Politicking, elections
- B)Dishonor, efficiency
- C)Lethargy, procrastination
- D)Nepotism, selfishness
- E)Hatred violence

Question 36: He _____ a wrong act because it was _____ for him to do so due to circumstantial forces.

- A)compelled, necessary
- B), refused, dangerous
- C)did, avoidable
- D)committed, inevitable
- E)simplified, harmful

Question 37: To avoid _____, there is a need for _____ planning of the project. (A)cancellation,broad

- B)problem, deliberate
- C)pitfalls, systematic
- D)inconvenience, convenient
- E)losses temporary

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- B)problem, deliberate
- C)pitfalls, systematic
- D)inconvenience, convenient
- E)losses, temporary

Question 39:.A good management will decide not only the _____ for equipment but also Its _____ for deciding priorities.

- A)need, urgency
- B)usefulness, utility
- C)cost, value
- D)requirement, necessities
- E)technology, methodology

Question 40: _____ appears to be a small error in the beginning may turn out to be a _____ in the long run.

- A) It, disaster
- B) What, blunder
- C) That, debacle
- D) It, slip
- E) What, incident

Question 41: Plans to introduce tougher _____ on insider dealing. She promised she would _____ her temper.

- A) arrogate
- B) curb
- C) Augean
- D) befouled
- E) None of these

Question 42: I will pay any expenses _____ incurred. The company _____ incurred a loss of two million pounds.

- A) draggled
- B) bedraggled
- C) fragile
- D) Incurred
- E) All of above

Question 43: He was charged with distributing enemy _____. Regulations restricting political _____ were relaxed.

- A) indistinct
- B) indigent
- C) Propaganda
- D) begrimed
- E) raunchy

Question 44: If you come to an obstruction in a road you can seek to _____ it.

Although the law limits individual contributions, it's easy to _____.

- A) grubby
- B) circumvent
- C) grimy
- D) gloomy
- E) None of these

Question 45: The story _____ a friend of mine.

The report _____ events which took place immediately after the end of the war.

- A) literally
- B) indulgence
- C) concern
- D) presentation
- E) yielding

Question 46: The novel carries a _____ about the characters bearing no relation to living person.

The _____ of responsibility set out in the memorandum.

- A) liberty
- B) disclaimer
- C) pliant
- D) grungy
- E) None of these

Question 47: The rule was _____ to apply only to non-members.

The government may _____ the law.

- A) concession
- B) amend
- C) limber
- D) endowment
- E) All of above

Question 48: This policy may have been in the _____ national interest.

The inability of the local press to compete with the _____ national for news.

- A) smutty
- B) contaminating
- C) national
- D) bestowal
- E) pliable

Question 49: Matters _____ to the organization of government.

Developments _____ to the economy.

- A) advantage
- B) buggy
- C) pertain
- D) lenient
- E) None of these

Question 50: _____ concepts such as love or beauty.

To _____ science and religion from their historical context can lead to anachronism.

- A) flexible
- B) prerogative
- C) entitlement
- D) abstract
- E) bending

Question 51: (I) They are now in an even more _____ position in the market.

(II) He has a _____ personality.

- A) improvement
- B) dominant
- C) cognizance
- D) partitioning
- E) shield

Question 52: (I) An ammunition lorry _____ with a roar.
(II) The first British atomic device was _____ in the Monte Bello islands.

- A) acumen
- B) prevaricate
- C) alleviate
- D) explode
- E) inclined

Question 53: (I) The estate came into the _____ of the Heslerton family.

(II) She had taken _____ of the sofa.

- A) possession
- B) obsession
- C) tribute
- D) selfish
- E) cherish

Question 54: (I) He issued _____ to the sheriff.

(II) If a prisoner disobeys an _____, he will be punished.

- A) harsh
- B) instruction
- C) rigorous
- D) severe
- E) exacting

Question 55: (I) The fifteen people arrested were still in police _____.

(II) She was released after spending over a year in police _____.

- A) hypothesizing
- B) postulation
- C) detention
- D) aloof
- E) humble

Question 56: (I) The soft colours of the Northumbrian _____.

(II) The _____ of east Norfolk.

- A) Landscape
- B) dazzling
- C) blinding
- D) dazzle
- E) fluorescent

Question 57: (I) Refusal to recognize the _____ of both governments.

(II) It is difficult to judge the _____ of the rumour.

- A) putrefy
- B) accommodate
- C) suppurate
- D) legitimacy
- E) assuage
- F)

Question 58: (I) His followers were _____ by the authorities.

(II) No one should be _____ for their religious beliefs.

- A) persecute
- B) accustom
- C) smolder
- D) arbitrate
- E) ulcerate

Question 59: (I) Her _____ was to become a pilot.

(II) Young men and women with _____.

- A) blister
- B) compose
- C) aggravate
- D) attune
- E) ambition

Question 60: (I) There is a growing _____ that the current regime has failed.

(II) There was _____ among most delegates.

- A) maturate
- B) appease
- C) conciliate
- D) consensus
- E) coordinate

Question 61: On August 9, the Madras High Court observed that it was both a moral obligation and the legal mandate for the state to permit Dalits to worship at the Badrakaliamman temple in Kallimedu, a village near Vedaranyam in Nagapattinam district of Tamil Nadu, and to perform rituals during the Aadi festival. It further hoped that —some compromise would be worked out _____. With this, the curtain has come down on the temple festival even before it could be observed.

- A) but this scares the wits out of those with a vested interest in the maintenance of a religious status quo
- B) in a bid to attract attention, a threat to convert to Islam is issued
- C) the government decided to drop all names from the transport corporations starting from the venerable Thiruvalluvar.
- D) —so that at least in the next year... the temple festival is performed without any problem or hitch
- E) None of above.

Question 62: The Badrakaliamman temple stands on a site claimed to be some 800 years old. The medieval poet Kalamegam had composed a song about it. Now administered by the government of Tamil Nadu through the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department, its last major reconsecration was conducted in 1957. The temple's annual festival takes place over five days in the Tamil month of Aadi (mid-July to mid-August). _____. The local Dalits (Adi Dravidars) join the festivities but do not have the privilege of holding the mandagapad

- A) In the first instance, Dalits assert themselves to a right over social space, a demand often framed in the language of religion
- B) In the first instance, Dalits assert themselves to a right over social space, a demand often framed in the language of religion
- C) As in many Tamil villages, the intermediate castes sponsor and conduct rituals and festivities — called mandagapadi — on specific days assigned according to custom
- D) The local dominant caste cares little for this demand — and may in fact see it as a resolution to their immediate fears
- E) None of above.

Question 63: Kallimedu's population primarily comprises Pillaimars apart from a sprinkling of some service castes. Dalits live in the adjoining hamlet of Pazhag Kallimedu. _____ . The temple is located in between, and the Dalits claim that in the past the temple was sited in their quarters.

- A) In the first instance, Dalits assert themselves to a right over social space
- B) But then it is up to the executive to enforce it
- C) The two communities number some 150 families each
- D) The fear of the collapse of law and order is enough to quieten the courts
- E) None of above.

Question 64: The Viduthalai Chiruthaigal Katchi, headed by Thol. Thirumavalavan, has considerable influence and presence among the Dalits. For the last few years Dalits have been claiming mandagapadi rights, a demand stonewalled by the Pillaimars. In August 2015, the headman of Pazhag Kallimedu, N. Pakkirisamy, filed a writ petition in the Madras High Court. _____. —Prima facie,|| Justice M.M. Sundresh observed that —the petitioner cannot be treated differently|| and posted the case for a later date to hear respondents' objections.

- A) The Dalits' struggle for an equal share of honours in temple festivals has repeatedly ended in failure
- B) As far as Dalits are concerned, history, it seems, not only occurs as tragedy first but repeats itself as well
- C) When the Dalits did not budge, the State administration banned the temple festiva
- D) Among the prayers was the demand for the deity to be taken in procession through the Dalit quarters
- E) None of above.

Question 65: The Wahhabist Tamil Nadu Thowheed Jamath's associates made an appearance; while extending moral support, they stated that conversion should be based on a commitment to Islamic tenets rather than as a form of protest. Can the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) be far behind? The State president, Tamilisai Soundararajan, paid a visit two weeks ago. _____. Later a fringe group, the Hindu Makkal

Katchi, was involved in negotiating a compromise. As its anti-Dalit image continues to be reinforced by the Una protests in Gujarat and the insult by a senior party functionary to Bahujan Samaj Party leader Mayawati, the BJP is under enormous pressure to shore up its claim to speak for the entire Hindu community.

- A) The Dalits' struggle for an equal share of honours in temple festivals has repeatedly ended in failure
- B) It is rumoured that a senior Hindutva ideologue too had intervened, promising to meet Dalit demands if the conversion threat was dropped
- C) When the Dalits did not budge, the State administration banned the temple festival
- D) It was against this order that the Pillaimars filed a writ resulting in the observation
- E) None of above.

Question 66: Most curiously, the history of codification of the rights of people with disabilities coincides more or less with the commencement of the era of economic reforms. _____, they were notably few and far between, informed largely by an ad hoc approach to addressing issues, or at times a spillover from an activist judiciary.

- A) Indeed, in view of the negligible levels of participation of people with various impairments in economically productive activity
- B) Any assessment of the economic reforms of the past 25 years could well do with some understanding of their impact on people with disabilities in India
- C) A plausible explanation of this post-protectionist paradox may be found in the need for greater regulation under more market-oriented conditions
- D) Even though legal guarantees enshrined under the Constitution were read into judicial and executive decisions during earlier decades
- E) None of these.

Question 67: It was the landmark Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995, over four years after the reforms, which stipulated specific provisions concerning equal opportunities to basic education, employment, and accessibility. _____. Since the passage of that comprehensive law, the lot of the disabled had moved, one might say, from a mode of thinking akin to the Directive Principles of State Policy discourse, to a more robust, Fundamental Rights approach to matters.

- A) Even though legal guarantees enshrined under the Constitution were read into judicial and executive decisions during earlier decades
- B) In the event, even the staunchest critic of liberalisation would have to acknowledge that the greatest legislative and policy changes since Independence that affect
- C) Every policy advance, or its absence, witnessed since that path-breaking legislation has turned on these three fundamental ingredients critical to a better quality of life
- D) Indeed, in view of the negligible levels of participation of people with various impairments in economically
- E) None of these.

Question 68: Any serious evaluation of what people with disabilities have gained in these past 25 years would probably have to begin with showcasing the political will India's leadership displayed to generate the very tools to arrive at such an independent and impartial assessment. _____ decennial population census. The real import of the measure becomes apparent when we consider that the 1981 census was the lone exception to the otherwise routine exclusion of this category from the countrywide exercise since Independence.

- A) Even though legal guarantees enshrined under the Constitution were read into judicial and executive decisions during earlier decades
- B) That was the bold decision the National Democratic Alliance government took to canvass disabilities in the 2001
- C) This finding of a survey by the National Council of Educational Research and Training points to the challenges in
- D) In the event, even the staunchest critic of liberalisation would have to acknowledge that the greatest legislative and policy changes since
- E) None of these.

Question 69: Under liberalisation, employment opportunities have expanded into the private sector, almost unthinkable hitherto. Employers such as ITC, Lemon Tree Hotels, Mphasis, Wipro, and so many others have seen the economic wisdom behind playing on the strengths, rather than the impairments, of our manpower. _____. It would be hard to overlook the direct benefits flowing from the adoption of an open economy in these respects.

- A) There are athletes with disabilities who have brought laurels to the country
- B) This finding of a survey by the National Council of Educational Research and Training points to the challenges in relation to employability
- C) These are the numbers that should worry us, and prod us into action
- D) Notable here are also the equality and diversity norms that the corporate sector is beginning to incorporate in its hiring practices
- E) None of these.

Question 70: In the arena of state employment, the more industrious and enterprising among the disabled have, aided by the Supreme Court's proactive interpretations of the equal opportunities provisions in the 1995 law, entered the corridors of the administrative services.

_____. Access at polling booths seems to have become almost irreversible since the apex court's landmark 2004 ruling stipulating easy access through ramps. The greater visibility for disability-related concerns in our media is also part of this broad picture of inclusion, howsoever restricted.

- A) Women with disabilities are most vulnerable to exploitation
- B) These are the numbers that should worry us, and prod us into action
- C) A mere 21.1 per cent of Indian schools adhere to inclusive education for children with disabilities
- D) There are athletes with disabilities who have brought laurels to the country
- E) None of These.

Question 71: She _____ a square of chocolate and gave it to her dog.

- A) Break out
- B) Broke off
- C) break up
- D) Break away
- E) No correction required.

Question 72: He _____ and started shouting at us.

- A) breezed in
- B) breezes within
- C) bricked in
- D) breezed through
- E) No correction required.

Question 73: I'll _____ you at seven, so be ready because the film starts at half past.

- A) call for
- B) call of
- C) call In
- D) call off
- E) No correction required.

Question 74: Jane spent a long time looking at houses before she bought one, but eventually _____ one near her office.

- A) decided of
- B) decided upon
- C) decided up
- D) decided to
- E) No correction required.

Question 75: The thieves _____ all the ticket receipts. The government is _____ test on growing genetically modified crops.

- A) carted off
- B) carted in
- C) carted with
- D) carted up
- E) No correction required.

Question 76: The idiot _____ us _____ and forced me to brake hard.

- A) Cast about
- B) Craved up
- C) craved of
- D) Cast aside
- E) No correction required.

Question 77: The opposition party are _____ the government's unpopularity.

- A) cashing up with
- B) cashing in on
- C) cashing out in
- D) cashing with for
- E) No correction required.

Question 78: They _____ any semblance of politeness and attacked us viciously.

- A) cast on
- B) cast of
- C) cast off
- D) cast with
- E) No correction required.

Question 79: He _____ me _____ when he checked my story with my previous employer

- A) caught out
- B) caught at
- C) caught out
- D) caught off
- E) No correction required.

Question 80: I spent the whole weekend CLEARING OUT the attic as it was full of papers and other junk.

- A) clear out
- B) clear off
- C) clear in
- D) clear of
- E) No correction required.

Question 81: A. The administration _____ protesters by agreeing to consider their demands.

B. The angry customer was not _____ by the clerk's apology.

- A) poked
- B) incite
- C) aggravate
- D) placated
- E) evoke

Question 82: A. There are some questions about the applicant's mental _____.

B. Test the platform for _____ before using it.

- A) investigate
- B) keenness
- C) stability
- D) sharpness
- E) durability

Question 83: A.The five men, their Land Rover, and their supplies were loaded into the _____ military aircraft.

B.A _____ solar storm could fry power grids, knocking out electricity for months.

- A) minute
- B) gigantic
- C) contented
- D) concise
- E) analogy

Question 84: A.Have a plan but be _____ and adjust to emerging realities.

B.She's been doing exercises to become stronger and more _____.

- A) rigid
- B) wise
- C) smart
- D) flexible
- E) innate

Question 85: A.In science, it only takes one exception to _____ a rule.

B.Can we commission a poll to confirm or _____ that thesis?

- A) distinguish
- B) put above
- C) disprove
- D) trivial
- E) maintain

Question 86: A.One didn't keep maps of the location of _____ they were hiding.

B.the mid-1980s saw an intensification of interest in community care, as _____ by the publication of four major reports

- A) witnesses
- B) said
- C) seen
- D) place
- E) people

Question 87: A. The visit was an _____ of the improvement in relations between the countries

B.There is no _____ that either side is going to give up.

- A) submit
- B) indication
- C) subject
- D) clue
- E) dedication

Question 88: A. He didn't seem like the kind whose moods _____ like her father's.

B. He looked uncomfortable and his gaze _____ absently to the cabinets.

A) looks

B) stabilize

C) transferred

D) twist

E) shifted

Question 89: A. He couldn't understand how such an awful substance could _____ so much emotion in him.

B. These sudden congealments in the state of reverie, which a single word suffices to _____, do occur.

A) need

B) ask

C) mediate

D) evoke

E) stifle

Question 90: A. Their newest _____ allows you to order their products online.

B. I realize now my _____ was doomed to failure from the start as my target was far better protected than I sensed.

A) compel

B) instinct

C) keen

D) interest

E) venture

Question 91: A. They tried to _____ funds that were raised for his legal defense.

B. he always strains to _____ the most somber truths

A) freeze

B) seize

C) cease

D) find

E) terminate

Question 92: A. What he had just seen was no longer the _____ and simple eye of a child

B. I'm not so _____ as to believe everything he says

A) ingenuous

B) indigenous

C) innovative

D) interested

E) anxious

Question 93: A. She was _____ with the job of organizing the reception
B. All employees _____ with the care of children are checked by the police.

- A) thrust
- B) entrusted
- C) seen
- D) nurtured
- E) awarded

Question 94: A. foreigners in France illegally should be sent home, their employers _____ and border controls tightened up

B. His actions were not _____ by his superiors

- A) described
- B) redone
- C) sanctioned
- D) originally
- E) categorise

Question 95: A. I would like to _____ my estimate.

B. The text has been _____ and published in a new edition.

- A) mend
- B) revised
- C) qualified
- D) set
- E) amend

Question 96: Medicare as we know it should be _____, replaced with a system that can be used to help pay for private policies .

- A. Vacated, Validation
- B. Abolished, Voucher
- C. Repealed, Validation
- D. Negated, Documentation,
- E. Negated, Proof

Question 97: Tax cuts, their sponsors declared, would unleash market and make everyone more _____.

- A. Potential, Prosperous
- B. Spirit, Soundness
- C. Virility, Prosperous
- D. Sturdiness, Prosperous
- E. Dynamism, Prosperous

Question 98: FedWatch, a tool that _____ how markets think monetary policy will go, _____ the probability of a June rate hike at 91%.

- A. Assumes, Through
- B. Estimates, Pegs
- C. Predicts, Assorts
- D. Shows, Variations
- E. Assumes, Measures

Question 99: Wage growth, which under low unemployment _____ be rising and driving inflation: gone _____

- A. Should, Slack
- B. Might, Down
- C. Would, Up
- D. Would, Far
- E. Could, Up

Question 100: Having signalled or even _____ the possibility of a move, they argue, the Fed must act, lest it _____ the trust of the markets.

- A. Raised, Lost
- B. Mooted, Squander
- C. Introduced, Trifle
- D. Mooted, Trifle
- E. Raised, Blow

Question 101: Markets, like toddlers, could _____, throw _____ and break things.

- A. Complaint, Tantarums
- B. Scruple, Tantarums
- C. Fuss, Tantarums
- D. Distrust, Tantarums
- E. Question, Tantarums

Question 102: When we demand instant _____ and a _____ that everything will be ok, we're only being childish

- A. Gratification, Guarantee
- B. Enjoyment, Deal
- C. Happiness, Satisfaction
- D. Delegation, Contract
- E. Contentment, Bond

Question 103: The answer may _____ the key to _____ productivity

- A. Have, Boost
- B. Hold, Boost
- C. Hide, Boost
- D. Have, Boosting
- E. Hold, Boosting

Question 104: But when fundamentals are doubted, as at present, we must try to recover the _____ and wonder of the child; the _____ realism and objectivity of innocence.

- A. Sincerity, Unspoilt
- B. Honesty, Unspoilt
- C. Candor, Unspoilt
- D. Candid, Unspoilt
- E. Obsolescence, Unspoilt

Question 105: I am no bird; and no net _____ me: I am a free human being with an _____ will.

- A. Ensnare, Independent
- B. Detach, Reliant
- C. Liberate, Powerful
- D. Implicate, Sufficient
- E. Enmesh, Resilient

Question 106: Experts suggest that the educational institutions, where our future business leaders are beingmust be recalibrated anddramatically

- A) crated, mutated
- B) learnt, revolutionised
- C) trained, transformed
- D) competent, disciplined
- E) driven, preserved

Question 107: In order to alleviate poverty, we need tothat scarce resources areefficiently.

- A) assure, place
- B) ensure, deployed
- C) certain, arranged
- D) provide, positioned
- E) secure, utilizing

Question 108: In.....with the rising imports of dragon fruit and seeds of Zucchini and red-cabbage, farmers areup cultivation of these new crops to feed the new demand .

- A) line, putting
- B) response, choosing
- C) keeping, taking
- D) sync, moved
- E) line, planning

Question 109: The tech giant isup with entrepreneurs to set up Wi-Fi hotspots in public places across the country, in an attempt toits poor connectivity problem.

- A) typing , end
- B) confiding, boost
- C) meeting , lay
- D) catching, addressing
- E) restraining, solve

Question 110: Users ...data wastage when on cellular connection using toolswithin the video streaming and social media apps.

- A) restrict, created
- B) stored, accessible
- C) save, vacant
- D) check, allowing
- E) limit, available

Question 111: China's quantum computing machine is 24,000 times faster than its international counterparts and maythe processing power ofsupercomputers.

- A) dwarf, existing
- B) hinder, remained
- C) processing, many
- D) boast, such
- E) engrave, current

Question 112: The judge let him off with a ...rather than asentence since it was his first offence.

- A) prison , fine
- B) fine-prison
- C) fine-warning

- D) reminded- verdict
- E) warning – reminder

Question 113: In a society that abhorsa nonconformist is persistently.....

- A) creativity, glorified
- B) rebelliousness, suppressed
- C) insurgency, heeded
- D) smugness, persecuted
- E) stagnation, denigrated

Question 114: Only if business continues to expand can itenough new jobs to make up for those that will be ...by automation.

- A) produce, required
- B) invent, introduced
- C) create, eliminated
- D) repeat, reduced
- E) formulate, endangered

Question 115: He----- the practices of aggressive autograph seekers, arguing that anyone distinguished enough to merit such... ..also deserved to be treated courteously.

- A) decried, adulation
- B) defended, adoration
- C) endorsed, brusqueness
- D) ignored, effrontery
- E) vilified, disdain

Question 116: With poor employment generation being a major concern, the skill development _____wants the Union Budget to have _____ allocation to set up model training centres and special schemes to support skilling of women.

- A) Communities, little
- B) Environment, meagre
- C) Ecosystem, adequate
- D) Schemes, fair
- E) Grouping, useless

Question 117: Under the looming _____ of inflationary risks, the RBI has again _____ the need for unwavering _____ on the price stability front.

- A) shadow, reasserted, vigilance
- B) light, acknowledged, cautioned
- C) shades, suppressed, alerts
- D) risk, repudiated, indiscretion
- E) bright, advocated, diligence

Question 118: With investors in equities _____ terrific returns over the last few years, it is not a _____ that they have become targets for the government to secure _____ revenue.

- A) profit, shock, more
- B) rejoicing, amazement, lesser
- C) detesting, indifference, balancing
- D) enjoying, surprise, additional
- E) wanting, superstition, extra

Question 119:

It is now _____ recognised that there is an investment _____ in India, which is delaying a full-blooded _____ in the economy.

- A) well, slowdown, recovery
- B) partially, bust, accretion
- C) hale, recession, relapse
- D) sufficiently, decline, improvement
- E) Both A and D

Question 120: The informal sector does not have the _____ required and depends _____ on the domestic pool of savings to _____ its investments.

- A) capital, while, fund
- B) assets, easily, monetize
- C) resources, solely, finance
- D) debt, yet, favour
- E) aid, with, utility

Question 121: The _____ of the total eclipse with the blue moon and the super moon is a _____ event.

- A) Meeting, common
- B) Coincidence, rare
- C) Accompaniment, only
- D) Divergence, exceptional
- E) Contingency, typical

Question 122: Weeks after announcing that Indian migrant labourers would be _____ orange-coloured passports instead of the usual blue, the government yesterday backed down after _____ criticism.

- A) Issued, sharp
- B) Give, Stinging
- C) Advertised, bland
- D) Reported, sudden
- E) Forth, mild

Question 123: Warning that the current stock market _____ could be a bubble, the Chief Economic Advisor said investors needed to be extra _____ about their investments in light of the risk of a sharp correction.

- A) Downturn, careful
- B) Float, risk
- C) Buoyancy, cautious
- D) Depression, vigilant
- E) Heights, enthusiastic

Question 124:

On Martyrs' Day, Mahatma Gandhi's public speech against the fingerprinting and profiling of Indians in South Africa was _____ by the petitioners _____ the Aadhaar scheme as a case of profiling of free citizens by the state.

- A) repeated, for
- B) quoted, against
- C) cited, opposing
- D) plagiarized, bonded
- E) Both B and C

Question 125:

The massive cuts in legal immigration _____ by the White House in _____ for offering a path to citizenship for a section of undocumented residents is too high a price to pay.

- A) Suggested, selling
- B) Intent, trading
- C) Asked, placed
- D) Proposed, exchange
- E) Forced, return

Question 126: Healthy scepticism, a vital _____ for any journalist, has given _____ to credulity, or worse, naivete.

- A) factor, up
- B) role, them
- C) attribute, way
- D) thing, away
- E) task, chance

Question 127: Kejriwal's _____ about all kinds of people became more and more _____ and even if there was a grain of truth in any of them, there was just no evidence.

- A) statements, attacking
- B) ideas, scathing
- C) pronouncements, outdated
- D) allegations, outlandish
- E) defamations, severe

Question 128: Every time Vidya Balan went about repeating –Entertainment, entertainment, entertainment!!! audiences at awards nights went into _____ as if Voltaire had _____ from his grave.

- A) raptures, quipped
- B) dark, came
- C) silence, grown
- D) hallucination, risen
- E) enjoy, awaken

Question 129: Whether one believes it or not, there are still some people _____ us who could have become powerful _____ in strength and in financial means.

- A) about, either
- B) surrounding, neither
- C) above, here
- D) over, there
- E) around, both

Question 130: When politicians became _____ and the bureaucracy _____ it is to the media that people turn for some guidance.

- A) corrupt, helpful
- B) venal, unresponsive
- C) dishonest, strong
- D) careless, dictator
- E) powerful, autocrat

Question 131: mixed economy implies the of a state enterprise and free enterprise, and cannot mean a wholly state- dominated economy.

- A) juxtaposition
- B) existence
- (C) collation
- D) harmony
- E) co-existence

Question 132: Government spokesmen always assure us that ideology plays no part in their economic policies, but the evidence to the contrary is

- A) negligible
- B) understandable
- C) reasonable
- (D) commendable
- D) overwhelming

Question 133: The interest of the nation as a must prevail over the interest of the few.

- A) section
- (B) whole
- C) part
- D) society
- E) unit

Question 134: The murderer appeared to be tongue-tied and ... when it was his turn to speak.

- A) detailed
- B) shy
- C) talkative
- C) exhaustive
- E) inarticulate

Question 135: It helps to do some ... work before giving a competitive examination.

- A) sorting
- B) organized
- C) preparatory
- C) relaxed
- E) strenuous

Question 136: He preaches liberal views but in practice, he is not _____ and is _____ narrow minded than almost any other person

- A) tough, openly
- B) tolerant, more
- C) ambitious, hardly
- D) acceptable, genuinely
- E) approachable, less

Question 137: Ravi _____ a bit _____ he was not invited by his friend to attend the party.

- A) annoyed, before
- B) angered, since
- C) expressed, than
- D) grumbled, when
- E) surprised, about

Question 138: He is _____ to _____ any kind of work with due sincerity.

- A) fond, perform
- B) reluctant, entrust
- C) determined, undertake
- D) eager, avoid
- E) willing, ignore

Question 139: Children are more _____ than adults, it is _____ their quickness in learning a new language.

- A) intelligent, disproved by
- B) adaptable, reflected in
- C) conservative, seen in
- D) susceptible, demonstrated in
- E) resourceful, proportionate to

Question 140: _____ of crops was due to continuous _____

- A) loss, draught
- B) ruin, draft
- C) failure, drought
- D) depreciation, drift
- E) none of these

Question 141: Prabha's _____ in athletics yielded rich _____ as she got a scholarship.

- A) performance, money
- B) defeat, results
- C) behavior, appreciation
- D) excellence, dividends
- E) failure, disappointment

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Question 142: the police _____ any attempt of arson by _____ at the trouble spot quite in time.

- A) squashed, surrounding
- B) made, encircling
- (C) predisposed, visiting
- D) thwarted, presenting
- E) pre-empted, arriving

Question 143: The _____ imposed for non-payment was too _____ for it to bring in improvement in collection.

- A) fine, serve
- B) toll, simple
- C) penalty, low
- D) damage, cruel
- E) punishment, harsh

Question 144: Somesh _____ me coming to his table, he smiled and _____ me a chair.

- A) found, signaled
- B) met, sat
- C) looked, gave
- D) saw, offered
- E) welcomed, took

Question 145: The leader were _____ needed by those to _____ they addressed.

- A) angrily, who
- B) readily, which
- C) scarcely, whom
- D) rarely, where
- E) Sadly, which

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ANSWER KEYS

1. C 2. B 3. D 4. A 5. C 6. B 7. D 8. A 9. B 10. C 11. E 12. C 13. B
14. D 15. A 16. C 17. A 18. B 19. E 20. C 21. A 22. D 23. D 24. C

25. E

26. B

27. B

28. D

29. D

30. C

31. D

32. C

33. A

34. B

35. E

36. D

37. C

38. C

39. A

40. B

41. B

Explanation:

curb – restrain or keep in check.

42. D

Explanation:

Incurred – become subject to (something unwelcome or unpleasant) as a result of one's own behaviour or actions.

43. C

Explanation:

Propaganda – information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view.

44. B

Explanation:

Circumvent – find a way around (an obstacle).

45. C

Explanation:

concern – worried, troubled, or anxious.

46. B

Explanation:

Disclaimer – a statement that denies something, especially responsibility.

47. B

Explanation:

Amend – make minor changes to (a text, piece of legislation, etc.) in order to make it fairer or more accurate, or to reflect changing circumstances.

48. C

Explanation:

National (nationals) – existing as or based on a suggestion, estimate, or theory; not existing in reality.

49. C

Explanation:

Pertain – be appropriate, related, or applicable to.

50. D

Explanation:

abstract – existing in thought or as an idea but not having a physical or concrete existence.

51. B

Explanation:

Dominant – having power and influence over others.

52. D

Explanation:

explode (exploded) – burst or shatter violently and noisily as a result of rapid combustion, excessive internal pressure, or other process.

53. A

Explanation:

possession – the state of having, owning, or controlling something.

54. B

Explanation:

instruction – an official order or commission to do something.

55. C

Explanation:

Detention – the action of detaining someone or the state of being detained in official custody.

56. A

Explanation:

Landscape – all the visible features of an area of land, often considered in terms of their aesthetic appeal.

57. D

Explanation:

Legitimacy – conformity to the law or to rules.

58. A

Explanation:

persecute (persecuted) – institute or conduct legal proceedings against (a person or organization).

59. E

Explanation:

ambition – a strong desire to do or achieve something.

60. D

Explanation:

Consensus – a general agreement.

61. D

62. C

63. C

64. D

65. B

66. D

67. C

68. B

69. D

70. D

71. B

Explanation : Break off – Break a piece from something.

72. A

Explanation : Breeze in – Enter a place quickly.

73. A

Explanation : Call for – Go and collect someone to take them out.

74. B

Explanation : Decide upon Choose, select.

75. B

Explanation : Cart off – Take something away, especially if stealing or without permission.

76. B

Explanation : Carve up – Overtake someone and then pull directly in front of a car.

77. B

Explanation : Cash in on – Benefit or make money on something, especially if done unfairly.

78. D

Explanation : Cast off – Dispose, get rid of.

79. A

Explanation : Catch out – Discover or prove that someone is lying.

80. A

Explanation – Clear out – Tidy up thoroughly and throw away unwanted stuff.

81. D

placated-make (someone) less angry or hostile.

82. C

stability- the quality or state of being stable

83. B

gigantic -extremely large

84. D

flexible -capable of bending easily without breaking;(of a person) ready and able to change so as to adapt to different circumstances.

85. C

disprove-prove that (something) is false.

86. A

witness- be a sign or proof of (something); serve as evidence.

87. B

.indication- a sign or piece of information that indicates something.

88. E

shifted-move or cause to move from one place to another, especially over a small distance.

89. D

evoke-bring or recall (a feeling, memory, or image) to the conscious mind

90. E

venture- an undertaking involving uncertainty as to the outcome, especially a risky or dangerous one

91. B

seize -understand (something) quickly or clearly.

92. A

ingenuous- (of a person or action) innocent and unsuspecting.

93. B

entrusted-assign the responsibility for doing something to (someone).

94. C

sanction- to officially accept or allow (something)

95. B

revised- to change, improve, or make additions to something such as a book, law, or piece of writing

96. B

97. E

98. B

99. A

100. B

101. C

102. A

103. E

104. C

105. A

106. C

Transform-to completely change the appearance or character of something

107. B

Ensure-to make sure that something is definite

Deploy-to use something effectively

108. C

In keeping with- in agreement with

Take up – continue

109. D

Catch up with – to reach same level.

110. E

Limit –restrict

111. A

Dwarf-to make something seem small or unimportant compared with something else

Existing – found or used now

112. B

Prison- a system of keeping in jail.

113. B

Rebelliousness- unwillingness to obey rules or accept normal standards of behavior

Suppress- to put an end.

114. C

Eliminate –to remove or get rid of something

115. A

Decry –to strongly criticize somebody/something

Adulation-admiration and praise

116. C

The statement talks about employment generation being a major

concern. Hence, budget has to be allocated towards it. This eliminates

options A, B and E.

Option D is incorrect due to use of schemes which does not fit in the first

blank.

Option C is correct as both the blanks fit in well contextually and

grammatically.

Hence, option C is correct.

117. A

Option B: Both light and cautioned do not fit in the blanks.

Option C: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option D: Repudiated and indiscretion are opposite of what is needed.

Option E: Bright in the first blank does not make any sense.

Option A: All the three words are a perfect fit.

Hence, option A is correct.

118. D

Option A: The first blank requires a verb while profit is a noun. The tone

of the statement is positive and hence shock is incorrect.

Option B: rejoicing does not fit in grammatically. The article 'a' before the

second blank implies the word should be a consonant which is not the

case here. Lesser is opposite of what is needed.

Option C: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option E: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option D: All the three words are a perfect fit.

Hence, option D is correct.

119. E

Option B: The words partially recognized are grammatically correct but

do not make sense. Also, bust means completely broken while as per the

statement, there is a decrease in investments. Accretion means build-up

of something and is meaningless.

Option C: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option A: All the three words are a perfect fit.

Option D: All the three words are a perfect fit.

Hence, option E is correct.

120. C

Option A: The word while is a conjunction whereas the middle blank

needs an adjective. This renders the statement meaningless and

incorrect.

Option B: Easily is an adjective but is contextually incorrect and does

not make sense.

Option D: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option E: None of the three words fit in with the statement.

Option C: All the three words are a perfect fit

Hence, option C is correct.

121. B

The use of with indicates that total eclipse, blue moon and super moon

are all occurring together. Hence, options D and E can be eliminated.

Out of options A, B and C Option A: Blank two talks about this being a common event which does

not sound logical. Hence, this is incorrect.

Option C: Blank two talks about this being the only event.

This is

contextually incorrect and also grammatically absurd.

Option B is correct as both the blanks fit in well contextually

and
grammatically.
Hence, option B is correct.

122. A

The statement conveys that the government backed down after criticism.

Logically, the criticism had to be serious if it caused the government to change its decision. This eliminates options C and E.

Looking at the other options:

Option B: Give is grammatically incorrect due to incorrect tense usage.

Option D: Reported is irrelevant and illogical.

Option A is correct as both the blanks fit in well contextually and grammatically.

Hence, option A is correct.

123. C

A bubble in the stock market is caused by the markets being too high.

Thus, options A and D can be eliminated.

Also, the statement talks about the risk to investors due to the possibility of a correction. Hence, option E gets eliminated due to illogical blank

two.

Out of options B and C, B is grammatically incorrect.

Option C is correct as both the blanks fit in well contextually and grammatically.

Hence, option C is correct.

124. E

Here, the statement talks about petitioners using the case of Gandhi being against the profiling of Indians in South Africa in the context of

Aadhaar. Since, Gandhi was against profiling, we can

eliminate option A.

Option D is incorrect due to the use of plagiarized which means copying/falsification and is out of context.

Both Options B and C fit in well contextually and grammatically.

Hence, option E is correct.

125. D

Too high a price to pay implies something being offered in return for another.

Option A: Selling is contextually and grammatically incorrect.

Option B: Both the blanks are incorrect contextually and grammatically incorrect.

Option C: Both the blanks are incorrect contextually and grammatically incorrect.

Option E: Forced is incorrect contextually.

Option D is correct as both the blanks fit in well contextually and

Grammatically

Hence, option D is correct.

126. C

127. D

128. A

129. E

130. B

131. E

132. E

133. B

134. B

135. E

136. B

137. D

138. C

139. B

140. C

141. D
142. E
143. C
144. D
145. C

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