

NATIONALISED BANKS & IBPS PO/MT/SO EXAMS

Directions (1-5) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Syndicate Bank PO Exam. 10.10.2004)

Mark answer (1) if statements (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is the effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

1. A. Major part of the sugarcane crop were affected by pests resulting into huge loss incurred by the farmers in the state.
B. The farmers in the state who were cultivating sugarcane earlier have now switched over to grapes cultivation this year.
2. A. There has been a high increase in the incidents of atrocities against women in the city during the past few months.
B. The police authority has been unable to nab the culprits who are committing crime against women.
3. A. The government has recently fixed the fees for professional courses offered by the unaided institutions which are much lower than the fees charged last year.
B. The parents of the aspiring students launched a severe agitation

last year protesting against the high fees charged by the unaided institutions.

4. A. The Prime Minister has visited the drought affected areas and promised government assistance to help the farmers.

B. A large number of farmers in the drought affected areas have been suffering due to drought situation and are unable to feed their family.

5. A. All the lakes supplying water to the city started overflowing at the end of the second month of the monsoon.

B. The normal life in the city has been disrupted quite a few times the first two months of the monsoon due to water logging at various parts.

Directions (6-11) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common causes. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statements. Reach both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Corporation Bank PO Exam. 09.07.2006)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

6. (A) Government owned oil companies have reduced the prices of petroleum with immediate effect.

(B) The Government has made an appeal to the public to reduce consumption of petroleum products.

7. (A) The police authority has recently caught a group of housebreakers.

(B) The citizens group in the locality have started night vigil in the area.

8. (A) The Government has decided to allow private universities to run their won courses after obtaining necessary approvals.

(B) There has been continuous decrease in number of students enrolled for various courses offered by the Government run universities.

9. (A) The wholesale grain market is flooded with fresh stock.

(B) The Government has recently increased the procurement price of grains.

10. (A) The school authority has asked the X Std. students to attend special classes to be conducted on Sundays.

(B) The parents of the X Std. students have withdrawn their wards from attending private tuitions conducted on Sundays.

11. (A) The villagers have decided to boycott the forthcoming assembly elections.

(B) The State Government has recently revised the electoral roll.

Directions (12-16) : In each of the following questions, two statements A and B are given. There may be the cause and effect relationship between the two statements. These two statement may be the effect of same cause or independent causes. These statements may be independent causes without having any relationship. Read

both the statements in each question and mark your answer accordingly.

(Madhya Bank Po Exam. 14.09.2008)

Mark your answer as —

Give answer (1) : if statement A is the cause and statement B is its effect.

Give answer (2) : if statement B is the cause and statement A is its effect.

Give answer (3) : if both statements A and B are independent causes.

Give answer (4) : if both statements A and B are effects of independent cause.

Give answer (5) : if both statements A and B are effects of some common cause.

12. Statement A : School education has been made free of cost for girls.

Statement B : Literacy rate among the girl child has been steadily improving.

13. Statement A : Hallmarking of gold ornaments was introduced all over the country.

Statement B : Many customers do not prefer to buy Hallmark jewellery.

14. Statement A : The food prices touched an all time high during this weekend.

Statement B : Many shops were raided and adulterated food items were seized.

15. Statement A : The average income of the common man has increased.

Statement B : The country's economy has improved since the last decade.

16. Statement A : The number of people suffering from stomach ailments has been increasing in the area.

Statement B : Many dead fishes were found at the shore of the lake.

Directions (17-21) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly

depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Oriental Bank Of Commerce PO Exam. 21.12.2008)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause

17. (A) There has been heavy rains in the catchment area of the lakes supplying drinking water to the city

(B) The Municipal authority has suspended the proposed cut in water supply to the city.

18. (A) Many pilgrims used Government transport to travel to the holy shrine.

(B) The cost of travel by private transport is very high.

19. (A) The prices of vegetables have increased substantially during past few weeks.

(B) Consumer price index at the end of previous week was increased by 2 per cent.

20. (A) Many anti-social elements are caught by the police from the locality.

(B) Many people in the locality are detained by the police for questioning.

21. (A) Many employees of the company proceeded on a day's leave on Friday.

(B) Both Thursday and Saturday were declared holiday by the company.

Directions (22-26) : In each of the following questions two statements (A) and (B) are given. These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(PNB Agriculture Officer Exam. 04.01.2009)

Give answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Give answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Give answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Give answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Give answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

22. (A) The local administration announces to block many roads of the town for one day owing to influx of many pilgrims.

(B) Many schools of the town declared holiday on the day pilgrims came to the town.

23. (A) The prices of vegetables have reduced considerably during the past two weeks.

(B) The prices of foodgrains have reduced considerably during the past two weeks.

24. (A) The employees of an union of an organisation have appealed to its members to give their best to boost production in the coming months.

(B) The management of an organisation has announced productivity linked bonus for its employees.

25. (A) The production of wheat during the current year breaks all the past records.

(B) The production of wheat in last year was much less than the production in the previous year.

26. (A) The large shareholders of the company decided to buy the shares of small shareholders.

(B) The company is suffering loss for the last three quarters.

Directions (27-31) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the state-

ments and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Indian Overseas Bank PO Exam. 05.04.2009)

Mark answer (1), if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2), if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3), if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4), if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5), if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

27 A : All the airlines companies in India have increased the airfares in all routes with immediate effect.

B : There has been substantial reduction in aviation fuel prices in India during the past few weeks.

28. A : There has been continuous increase in average temperature during winter in many parts of the country over the past few years.

B : There has been significant changes in the wind pattern across the country over the last few years.

29. A : The conditions of all the major roads in the city have deteriorated causing hardship to motorists.

B : The municipal authority have sanctioned significant amount to repair all the major roads in the city.

30. A : The BPO sector has laid off a large number of employees in the recent months.

B : Very few projects are now being outsourced to BPO sector.

31. A : There has been sharp decline in sales of passenger cars during the last few months.

B : Many finance companies have announced attractive schemes of car loans with moderate interest rate.

Directions (32-36) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Andhra Bank PO Exam. 05.07.2009)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

32. (A) Many elderly people are continuously harassed by the youngsters in the locality.

(B) Many children living in the locality play till late in evening.

33. (A) The state government has decided to change the syllabus of Mathematics for Std. IX from the next academic year.

(B) Many students from the state could not secure admission to the colleges of their choice.

34. (A) Majority of the employees of the manufacturing company received a hefty bonus at the end of the current financial year.

(B) The manufacturing company has made considerable profit in the current financial year.

35. (A) The municipal authority decided to carry out repair work of the pipeline under the main arterial road of the city.

(B) Vehicular movement has been diverted through alternate roads for a period of fifteen days.

36. (A) There is a significant drop in the number of people travelling by air during the last quarter.

(B) There is a significant drop of the number of people travelling by long distance trains during the last quarter.

37. Statement : There was a slow decline in number of patients with flu like symptoms visiting various health facilities in the city during the last fortnight. Which of the following substantiates the facts mentioned in the above statement ?

(1) Majority of the people suffering from flu visit the health facilities in the city.

(2) There has been a continuous increase in the sale of medicines for curing flu in the city limits.

(3) People have started visiting the crowded places like malls and cinema halls during the last fortnight after a cautioned gap of one month.

(4) There is sudden increase in the number of deaths caused by flu like symptoms followed by respiratory complications.

(5) None of these

(Corporation Bank PO Exam. 22.11.2009)

38. Cause : A severe cyclonic storm swept away most part of the state during the last two days. Which of the following cannot be a possible effect of the above cause ?

(1) Heavy rainfall was reported in most part of the state during the last two days.

(2) Many people were rendered homeless as their houses were blown away.

(3) The communication system of the state was severely affected and continues to be out of gear.

(4) Government has ordered that all the offices and schools should be kept open.

(5) All are possible effects.

(Corporation Bank PO Exam. 22.11.2009)

39. Effect : The prices of petroleum products have increased by about twenty per cent in the past two months.

Which of the following can be a probable cause of the above effect?

- (1) The prices of foodgrains and vegetables have shot up by more than thirty per cent.
- (2) The truck owners' association has decided to increase their rent by about 20 per cent with immediate effect.
- (3) The prices of crude oil in the international market have increased considerably during the past few weeks.
- (4) People have decided to demonstrate against the Government's apathy towards rise in prices of essential commodities
- (5) None of these

(Corporation Bank PO Exam. 22.11.2009)

Directions (40-44) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Bank Of India Banking Officer Exam. 24.01.2010)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

40. (A) Majority of the students of the school passed in Mathematics in the annual examination.

(B) Majority of the students of the school failed in English in the annual examination.

41. (A) A huge explosion rocked the housing complex as a cooking gas cylinder exploded in one of the flats in the complex.

(B) Residents of the housing complex came running out of their houses and assembled in the open courtyard.

42. (A) Three top players of the Indian cricket missed all the matches of the five match tournament due to injury.

(B) India lost the cricket tournament to the visitors with a 2 : 3 margin.

43. (A) The municipal authority advised all the schools in the city to close down for the next two days.

(B) A huge storm is likely to hit the city during the next two days.

44. (A) The prices of foodgrains have increased by about 20 per cent over the same period last year.

(B) The prices of vegetables have substantially decreased during the past few weeks.

Directions (45-49) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Punjab & Sind Bank PO Exam. 16.05.2010)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

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Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

45. A. The average day temperature of the city has increased by about 2 degrees in the current year over the average of past ten years.

B. More people living in rural areas of the state have started migrating to the urban areas in comparison with the earlier year.

46. A. Most of the shopkeepers in the locality closed their shops for the second continuous day.

B. Two groups of people living in the locality have been fighting with each other with bricks and stones forcing people to stay indoors.

47. A. The Government has decided to increase the prices of LPG gas cylinders with immediate effect.

B. The Government has decided to increase the prices of kerosene with immediate effect.

48. A. A cyclonic storm is expected to hit the coastline in the state during the next 48 hours.

B. Warning has been issued that heavy rains are expected in the coastal region in the state during the next 48 hours.

49. A. Majority of the first year students of the engineering college failed in Mathematics in the semester examination.

B. The college authority terminated the contract of the professor who taught mathematics to the first year students.

50. **Statement :** Many persons in the locality are diagnosed to be suffering from gastro-intestinal diseases after consuming poor quality drinking water supplied by the municipal authority.

Which of the following substantiates the facts stated in the above statement ?

(1) Gastro-intestinal diseases are not very severe in nature

(2) People suffering from gastro-intestinal diseases need not take medicines.

(3) Many people suffer from gastro-intestinal diseases after consuming stale food.

(4) Gastro-intestinal diseases are waterborne diseases.

(5) None of these

(Bank Of Baroda PO Exam. 30.05.2010)

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51. Statement : Many students were caught while using unfair means during the final examinations by the special team of the university. Which of the following can be a possible consequence of the facts stated in the above statement ?

- (A) The teachers responsible for invigilation in all such examination halls where the students were caught are to be suspended from their services.
- (B) All those students who were caught while using unfair means are to be debarred from appearing in these examinations for a year.
- (C) The college should be black-listed by the university for holding final examinations at least for a year.
- (1) Only (A) (2) Only (B)
- (3) Only (C) (4) Only (B) and (C)
- (5) None of these

(Bank Of Baroda PO
Exam. 30.05.2010)

52. Statement : Based on the findings of a recent study, it has been reported that regular consumption of ripe mango helps in controlling blood pressure as it increases the level of potassium in the blood stream.

Which of the following contradicts the findings reported in the above statement ?

- (1) Increased level of potassium in blood stream enhances quality of health
- (2) Many people who consume ripe mangoes regularly were found to be suffering from hypertension.
- (3) Consumption of ripe mango helps in storing anti-oxidant in the body.
- (4) Ripe mango is a good source of many vitamins
- (5) None of these

(Bank Of Baroda PO
Exam. 30.05.2010)

53. Statement : Most part of the boundary walls of the local school collapsed completely last night.

Which of the following can be a possible consequence of the facts stated in the above statement ?

- (A) The local school authority will close down the school till the boundary walls are erected.

(B) The Government will levy penalty to the school management for their negligence.

(C) The management of the school will erect temporary fences till the boundary walls are erected.

- (1) Only (A)
- (2) Only (B)
- (3) Only (C)
- (4) Only (A) and (C)
- (5) None of these

(Bank Of Baroda PO
Exam. 30.05.2010)

54. Statement : The prices of foodgrains and other essential commodities have decreased for the second consecutive week.

Which of the following can be a possible consequence of the facts stated in the above statement ?

- (A) The consumer price index will come down considerably.
- (B) People will increase their purchase of quantity of essential commodities and food grains.
- (C) Government will increase its taxes on essential commodities and food grains.

- (1) Only (A) and (B)
- (2) Only (B) and (C)
- (3) Only (A) and (C)
- (4) All (A), (B) and (C)
- (5) None of these

55. Effect : The temple at the religious site wears a deserted look with the number of devotees trickling down.

Which of the following can be a possible cause of the above effect?

- (1) A structural engineer had visited the temple a month back and had declared the structure unsafe.
- (2) The temple is facing a drastic depletion of its funds which had accumulated over the years due to offerings made by devotees.
- (3) The local corporation decided to donate a huge amount of money to the temple for its renovation.
- (4) The village housing the religious site has qualified priests to perform religious ceremonies.

(5) A famous actor recently visited the temple and paid his respects to the deity.

(PNB Management Trainee
Exam. 28.11.2010)

56. Statements : The Income Tax authorities carried out raids at three different business houses in the city last week. Which of the following can be a possible effect of the above statement ?

- (1) The three business houses are regular defaulters in payment of their income tax.
- (2) The Income Tax department had received a tip off about the illegal activities going on in the three business houses.
- (3) The Government decided to look into the matter and has appointed an inquiry committee.
- (4) Other business houses took immediate action to clear off all their income tax dues in order to avoid a raid on their establishments.
- (5) The authorities intend to conduct raids in several other business houses in the vicinity.

(PNB Management Trainee
Exam. 28.11.2010)

57. Effect : As a step to regulate private hospitals, the state health department is framing rules to ensure all such hospitals are registered with it.

Which of the following can be a possible cause of the above statement ?

- (1) The department realised the private hospitals charge much less for treatment as compared to government hospitals.
- (2) Government run hospitals do not maintain the same standards as private hospitals.
- (3) The department realised that several hospitals were rejecting cases stating lack of infrastructure.
- (4) Apart from the number of doctors, nurses and beds, the kind of procedure a hospital can carry out based on its infrastructure will also be registered and detailed.

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(5) Private hospitals nor registering with the department shall be forced to do so and will have to pay hefty penalties.

(PNB Management Trainee Exam. 28.11.2010)

63. Statement : The college has finally received accreditation and has gained the status of a deemed university.

Which of the following can be a possible effect of the above statement ?

- (1) The principal of the college will now have to be a retired government official.
- (2) Number of students seeking admission to this college in the next academic year would drop significantly.
- (3) The college will charge lesser fees from all its students despite not getting a grant from the government.
- (4) The college will reduce the number of courses that it runs by a significant margin.
- (5) The reputation of the college amongst the student population in general has improved.

(PNB Management Trainee Exam. 28.11.2010)

64. Which of the following is a possible cause of — 'The housing society has decided to charge a fine to all those who waste water' ?

- (1) Some members of the housing society have been wasting a lot of water
- (2) Most members of the society are unwilling to pay a fine
- (3) The charges for water have decreased
- (4) Number of people wasting water has gone down/reduced in the society
- (5) The housing society has a new management committee

(Oriental Bank Of Commerce PO Exam. 26.12.2010 (1st sitting))

Directions (60-62) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the state-

ments and decide which of the following answer-choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Oriental Bank Of Commerce PO Exam. 26.12.2010 (1st sitting))

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

60. (A) Asthma cases in the city are on a continuous rise since last year.

(B) The number of commonly found animals such as sparrows, squirrels and pigeons in the city has continuously dwindled since last year.

61. (A) Prices of food grains in India has increased substantially.

(B) Lakhs of farmers have quit farming owing to the lack of governmental support in the form of subsidies.

62. (A) The university decided to postpone the final exams for course X by a month.

(B) Nearly twenty five students out of sixty students in course X failed to pass the final exams last year.

Directions (63-66) : Read the given statements carefully and answer the questions which follow.

(Indian Bank PO Exam. 02.01.2011 (1st sitting))

63. After the government announced a compensatory policy for farmers in return for the acquisition of their land, the farmers demanded a written proof of the policy.

Which of the following could possibly be a CAUSE for demanding the written proof ?

- (1) The farmers were unable to contest the inadequate compensation for their land in earlier such policies.

(2) The compensation promised in the policy was grossly inadequate.

(3) The farmers were unwilling to surrender their lands to the government.

(4) The farmers demand a certain-percentage of share out of the revenue generated by the government off their lands.

(5) The only option to enforce the government officials to frame a compensatory policy for the farmers was to demand a proof.

64. The number of cases concerning a non-contagious chemical poisoning is on the rise among local villagers.

Which of the following could possibly be a CAUSE of the statement given above ?

(1) The government has ordered an immediate enquiry into the matter.

(2) Unless timely treatment is provided to the patients, the poisoning can prove to be fatal.

(3) Many factories surrounding the village do not dispose off their wastes appropriately.

(4) The only hospital in the area is not equipped to treat chemical poisoning related ailments.

(5) A study done a couple of years ago had reported that a large number of farmers had stopped using chemical fertilizers owing to their ill-effects on health.

65. In a governmental initiative which started a couple of years ago, school teachers of a particular State were engaged in teaching the illiterate every evening after the regular school hours. Which of the following can be an EFFECT of the statement given above ?

(1) A report given to the State government a couple of years ago stated a high percentage of illiterate population as compared to some other States.

(2) Many teachers were motivated to join the scheme started by the government as the remuneration provided to them was attractive.

(3) Lack of accessibility to schools and extreme poverty were major causes of illiteracy in the State.

(4) Evening classes help individuals working as daily wagers attend classes after work.

(5) The literacy rate in the State has improved significantly this year.

66. Small grocery shop owners have gone on a day's strike in order to protest against the entry of a foreign retail store chain in the city.

Which of the following statements can be an **EFFECT** of the statement given above?

(1) The small grocery shop owners perceive the big retail giants as sharks, trying to dominate the available market space.

(2) Foreign investment in retail has shown a tremendous growth in India since a couple of years.

(3) There have been several countries in which retail chain giants have totally wiped out small scale grocery shops.

(4) The government agreed to take all political steps required to safeguard the interests of small scale retailers.

(5) A recent survey indicated that a large number of people prefer to buy their daily grocery items from the nearby grocery stores rather than big retail chain stores.

Directions (67-69) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Union Bank Of India PO
Exam. 09.01.2001)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

67. (1) Government has increased number of buses plying between Mumbai and Surat.

(2) The government has allowed private bus owners to operate between Mumbai and Surat.

68. (1) The association of management colleges conducted a combined admission exam for all the institutes this year.

(2) As the dates for entrance exam for many management colleges clashed last year, many candidates complained that they could not appear for a number of entrance exams.

69. (1) The department store owner put cameras for surveillance of the store.

(2) Many products were reported missing by the staff working in the departmental store.

Directions (70-74) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(Punjab & Sind Bank PO
Exam. 23.01.2011)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

70. (A) State Government has ordered immediate ban on airing of certain movie channels on television.

(B) Few social activists have come together and demanded ban on telecasting 'Adult' movies on television.

71. (A) Employment scenario in the country has remarkably improved recently.

(B) The number of prospective job-seekers going abroad has increased recently.

72. (A) Government has tightened security checks at all important places and also at various public places.

(B) Incidences of terrorist attacks are increasing day by day.

73. (A) High court has fixed a time limit for repairing all the roads in the city.

(B) Road Development Authorities in the city are carrying out road repair work on urgent basis.

74. (A) There is an outbreak of several epidemics in the country.

(B) There was a worst flood situation ever experienced in the past in most parts of the country.

75. It has been reported in recent years that a very large number of seats in the engineering colleges in the country remain vacant at the end of the admission session.

Which of the following may be the probable **cause** of the above effect?

(1) There has been a considerable decrease in hiring of engineering graduates due to economic slowdown in the recent years

(2) Students have always preferred to complete graduation in three years time instead of four years for engineering.

(3) The Government has recently decided to provide post qualification professional training to all engineering graduates at its own cost.

(4) There has always been a very poor success rate among the engineering students.

(5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE
Exam. 18.09.2011)

76. The condition of the roads in the city has deteriorated considerably during the first two months of monsoon and most of the roads have developed big pot holes.

Which of the following can be a possible effect of the above cause?

- (1) The municipal corporation had repaired all the roads in the city before onset of monsoon with good quality material
- (2) A large number of people have developed spine related injuries after regularly commuting long distances by road within the city.
- (3) The municipal corporation has been careful in choosing the contractors for repairing roads in the past.
- (4) People always complain about potholed roads during the monsoon months.
- (5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE Exam. 18.09.2011)

77. Majority of the students who appeared in the final examination of post graduate course in management in the local college have secured first class which is comparatively higher than the performance of students of other management colleges in the state.

Which of the following may indicate that the results are **not in line** with the general trend?

- (1) The students of the local college are qualitatively better than those of other colleges
- (2) The authorities of the other management colleges in the state are stricter in their standard of evaluation for their students.
- (3) The students of other management colleges in the state performed better than the students of the local college in all the previous examinations.
- (4) The local management college recently retrenched many of its regular faculty members.
- (5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE Exam. 18.09.2011)

78. It has been reported in many leading newspapers that the current year's monsoon may be below the expected level as many parts of the country are still not getting adequate rainfall.

Which of the following can be a possible fallout of the above situation?

- (1) People from those affected areas with less rainfall may migrate to urban areas
- (2) Government may announce ex-gratia payment to all the farmers affected in these areas
- (3) Government may declare these areas as drought affected areas.
- (4) People may blame the Government and agitate for not getting adequate water for cultivation
- (5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE Exam. 18.09.2011)

79. There has been a spate of rail accidents in India in the recent months killing large numbers of passengers and injuring many more. This has raised serious doubts about the railway's capability of providing safety to travellers.

Which of the following statements **substantiates** the views expressed in the above statement?

- (1) Indian Railways has come to be known to provide best passenger comfort in the recent years
- (2) People have no option other than travelling by rail over long distances.
- (3) The railway tracks at many places have been found to be stressed due to wear and tear in the recent times.
- (4) Local residents are always the first to provide a helping hand to the passengers in the event of such disasters.
- (5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE Exam. 18.09.2011)

80. There has been a considerable drop in sales of four wheelers during the past six months when compared to the number of four wheelers sold during this period last year.

Which of the following can be the probable cause of the above phenomenon?

- (A) The Government has imposed higher excise duty on four wheelers at the beginning of this year.
- (B) The petrol prices have risen considerably during the past eight months.
- (C) The rate of interest on home and car loans have been rising for the past seven months.
- (1) All (A), (B) and (C)
- (2) (A) and (C) Only
- (3) (B) and (C) Only
- (4) (B) Only
- (5) (A) Only

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE Exam. 18.09.2011)

Directions (81-82) : In each of the questions below is given a statement, followed by a question. Read the statement carefully and answer the question that follows.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam. 11.03.2012)

81. **Statement :** The State Government granted special status to the seminar on the importance of protecting the environment around us organised by the local academic body to create awareness among the citizens. Which of the following may be a probable reason for the State Government's decision?

- (1) The Central Government has accorded highest priority to issues related to protection of environment, over all other issues.
- (2) In the past the State Government had granted special status to such seminars
- (3) The State Government has failed to implement measures for protecting the environment
- (4) The local academic body made a fervent appeal for the special status
- (5) None of these

82. Statement : Most car manufacturers have marginally reduced the price of their products despite higher input costs and increased Government duties and have promised to keep the prices at the present level for at least the next couple of months. Which of the following can be a **best possible reason** for the above step by car manufacturers?

- (1) Car manufacturers have not been able to meet their sales target for the current year so far.
- (2) The Government is planning to review taxes on the raw materials for manufacturing cars.
- (3) The car sales market is going through a jubilant phase as the volume of sales has picked up considerably in the recent past and profit per car has also gone up.
- (4) Car buyers are still hesitant to make their purchases and may postpone for another few months.
- (5) Oil marketing companies are contemplating reviewing the petrol and diesel prices in order to decide future market prices.

83. Effect : The temple at the religious site wears a deserted look with the number of devotees trickling down.

Which of the following can be a possible **cause** of the above effect?

- (1) A structural engineer had visited the temple a month back and had declared the structure unsafe.
- (2) The temple is facing a drastic depletion of its funds which had accumulated over the years due to offerings made by devotees.
- (3) The local corporation decided to donate a huge amount of money to the temple for its renovation.
- (4) The village housing the religious site has qualified priests to perform religious ceremonies.

(5) A famous actor recently visited the temple and paid his respects to the deity.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam.17.03.2013)

84. Statements : The Income Tax authorities carried out raids at three different business houses in the city last week.

Which of the following can be a possible **effect** of the above statement?

- (1) The three business houses are regular defaulters in payment of their income tax.
- (2) The Income Tax department had received a tip off about the illegal activities going on in the three business houses.
- (3) The Government decided to look into the matter and has appointed an inquiry committee.
- (4) Other business houses took immediate action to clear off all their income tax dues in order to avoid a raid on their establishments.
- (5) The authorities intend to conduct raids in several other business houses in the vicinity.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam.17.03.2013)

85. Effect : As a step to regulate private hospitals, the state health department is framing rules to ensure all such hospitals are registered with it.

Which of the following can be a possible **cause** of the above statement?

- (1) The department realised the private hospitals charge much less for treatment as compared to government hospitals.
- (2) Government run hospitals do not maintain the same standards as private hospitals.
- (3) The department realised that several hospitals were rejecting cases stating lack of infrastructure.
- (4) Apart from the number of doctors, nurses and beds, the kind of procedure a hospital can carry out based on its infrastructure will also be registered and detailed.

(5) Private hospitals nor registering with the department shall be forced to do so and will have to pay hefty penalties.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam.17.03.2013)

86. Statement : The college has finally received accreditation and has gained the status of a deemed university.

Which of the following can be a possible **effect** of the above statement?

- (1) The principal of the college will now have to be a retired government official.
- (2) Number of students seeking admission to this college in the next academic year would drop significantly.
- (3) The college will charge lesser fees from all its students despite not getting a grant from the government.
- (4) The college will reduce the number of courses that it runs by a significant margin.
- (5) The reputation of the college amongst the student population in general has improved.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam.17.03.2013)

Directions (87-89) : Read the given statements carefully and answer the questions which follow.

(IBPS Specialist Officer CWE Exam.17.03.2013)

87. After the government announced a compensatory policy for farmers in return for the acquisition of their land, the farmers demanded a written proof of the policy.

Which of the following could possibly be a **Cause** for demanding the written proof?

- (1) The farmers were unable to contest the inadequate compensation for their land in earlier such policies.
- (2) The compensation promised in the policy was grossly inadequate.
- (3) The farmers were unwilling to surrender their lands to the government.
- (4) The farmers demand a certain-percentage of share out of the revenue generated by the government off their lands.

(3) The only option to enforce the government officials to frame a compensatory policy for the farmers was to demand a proof.

88. The number of cases concerning a non-contagious chemical poisoning is on the rise among local villagers.

Which of the following could possibly be a Cause of the statement given above?

- (1) The government has ordered an immediate enquiry into the matter.
- (2) Unless timely treatment is provided to the patients, the poisoning can prove to be fatal.
- (3) Many factories surrounding the village do not dispose off their wastes appropriately.
- (4) The only hospital in the area is not equipped to treat chemical poisoning related ailments.
- (5) A study done a couple of years ago had reported that a large number of farmers had stopped using chemical fertilizers owing to their ill-effects on health.

89. Small grocery shop owners have gone on a day's strike in order to protest against the entry of a foreign retail store chain in the city.

Which of the following statements can be an Effect of the statement given above?

- (1) The small grocery shop owners perceive the big retail giants as sharks, trying to dominate the available market space.
- (2) Foreign investment in retail has shown a tremendous growth in India since a couple of years.
- (3) There have been several countries in which retail chain giants have totally wiped out small scale grocery shops.
- (4) The government agreed to take all political steps required to safeguard the interests of small scale retailers.
- (5) A recent survey indicated that a large number of people prefer to buy their daily grocery items from the nearby grocery stores rather than big retail chain stores.

90. **Statement :** According to a survey innumerable diseases and unhealthy habits from the recent pandemic to cancer, AIDS and obesity have plagued the mankind.

Which of the following may be the most plausible cause of the situation given in the above statements?

- (1) The lifestyle and food habits of people are responsible for this state
- (2) Environmental degradation has led to the present situation
- (3) The people remain ignorant about their health
- (4) Technological advancement and fast pace of life are contributing to the spread of diseases
- (5) None of these

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE-III, 26.10.2013)

91. **Cause :** A severe cyclonic storm swept away most part of the state during the last two days. Which of the following cannot be a possible effect of the above cause?

- (1) Heavy rainfall was reported in most part of the state during the last two days.
- (2) Many people were rendered homeless as their houses were blown away.
- (3) The communication system of the state was severely affected and continues to be out of gear.
- (4) Government has ordered that all the offices and schools should be kept open.
- (5) All are possible effects.

92. **Effect :** The temple at the religious site wears a deserted look with the number of devotees trickling down.

Which of the following can be a possible cause of the above effect?

- (1) A structural engineer had visited the temple a month back and had declared the structure unsafe.
- (2) The temple is facing a drastic depletion of its funds which had accumulated over the years due to offerings made by devotees.

(3) The local corporation decided to donate a huge amount of money to the temple for its renovation.

(4) The village housing the religious site has qualified priests to perform religious ceremonies.

(5) A famous actor recently visited the temple and paid his respects to the deity.

(Corporation Bank SO (Marketing) Exam, 22.02.2014)

Directions (93-97) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(BOB Manipal School of Banking Officer Online Exam, 14.08.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

93. **A.** Rural and semi-urban areas in the country have been suffering due to load-shedding for quite some time.

B. If the Government is not able to overcome the power crisis, load-shedding will be extended even to the urban areas.

94. **A.** Importance of Yoga and exercise is being realised by all sections of the society.

B. There is an increasing awareness about health in the society particularly among middle-aged group of people.

95. **A.** The staff of Airport Authorities called off the strike they were observing in protest against privatization.

B. The staff of Airport Authorities went on strike anticipating a threat to their jobs.

96. A. Standard of living among the middle class society is constantly going up since past few years.

B. Indian Economy is observing remarkable growth.

97. A. The life today is too fast, demanding and full of variety in all aspects which at times leads to stressful situations.

B. Number of suicide cases among teenagers is on increase.

98. Statement : A private school 'X' preferably gives admission to wealthy students and denies admission to poor students.

Which of the following may be the most appropriate cause of denying admission to poor students ?

(1) Private school intends to make only money by giving admissions to wealthy students

(2) Poor students lack basic knowledge and they are weak in study

(3) Wealthy students possess more knowledge than that of poor students

(4) School 'X' spends excess funds to maintain the buildings and other components of the school and so it requires more money

(5) None of these

99. Two statements (A) and (B) are given below. These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read the statements and select the most appropriate answer.

(A) According to the System Document, Country 'A' has made an indigenous sniper, the bullets of which are very long. It can be used for long range. The placement of bullet is very accurate in this sniper. The effective range of the sniper is 2300 metres.

(B) There is three times increase in the sale of the new sniper than that of ordinary sniper.

(1) Statement (A) is the cause and Statement (B) is its effect

(2) Statement (B) is the cause and Statement (A) is its effect

(3) Both the Statements (A) and (B) are independent causes

(4) Both the Statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes

(5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause

(IDBI Bank Officer Exam, 22.08.2014)

Directions (100-103) : Study the following information and five statements given below it carefully and answer the questions which follow :

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE-IV, 18.10.2014)

Advertisements play an important role in the sell of a product. Advertisements help consumer to decide which product he/she should buy. In the absence of advertisements consumer has very little choices to buy the products of his/her needs.

(A) Advertisements highlight only the bright side of the product. They do not reveal the weak features of the product.

(B) Most of the people wish that companies should stop issuing advertisements as these attract people and they start using the glamorous articles.

(C) The increased frequency of advertisements attracts more different classes of people to buy the products.

(D) The products which are heavily advertised attract a large number of people and they start buying the products. For example, a large number of people buy potato chips.

(E) Consumers lose faith in the advertisement when they do not find the products upto mark.

100. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above represents an effect of the given information most appropriately ?

(1) Only (A) (2) Only (B)

(3) Only (C)

(4) Only (C) and (D)

(5) Only (D) and (E)

101. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above would weaken/contradict the facts presented in the paragraph ?

(1) Only (A) and (B)

(2) Only (B) and (C)

(3) Only (C) and (D)

(4) Only (D) (5) Only (E)

102. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above represents a cause for issuing advertisements?

(1) Only (A) (2) Only (C) and (D)

(3) Only (B)

(4) Only (B) and (E)

(5) Only (A) and (E)

103. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above highlights the limitation of an advertisement ?

(1) Only (D) (2) Only (E)

(3) Only (A)

(4) Only (B) and (E)

(5) Only (C) and (E)

104. Statement A : In the past few years, enrolment in Government schools of country Matino has declined from 133.7 million to 121 million per year, while enrolment in private schools has increased from 51 million to 78 million per year.

Statement B : Due to lack of funds, government schools of Matino are unable to hire properly trained teachers who would be able to provide good learning environment to the students.

(1) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

(2) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

(3) Statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

(4) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

(5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

105. Statement A : The IT resources of company X are often measured by its employees, which sometimes creates unwanted risk and liabilities for the company.

Statement B : Company X will be monitoring online activities of its employees on official computers and may block content which it feels may adversely affect the productivity of the employees.

(1) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effects.

(2) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

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(Bank of Baroda Junior Management Grade/Scale-I Exam, 18.04.2015)

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(BOB Junior Management Grade/Scale-I Exam, 18.04.2015)

108. Study the following information carefully to answer the question given below :

A fatal disease has spread across the 'Spatter' village of State X. Even though the prescribed medicine is abundantly available in one of the cities near 'Spatter' which can cure the disease, the Medical Association of the State has decided not to allow the medicine to be transported to 'Spatter' and is calling the infected people to the city to be injected with the medicine.

Which of the following can be a reason behind the decision of the Medical Association?

(1) The Association may not be able to earn high profits from selling the medicine to 'Spatter'.

(2) Many of the villagers may not be able to afford the medicine as it is highly priced.

(3) The disease has started to spread in other villages also, making it challenging for the Association to provide the medicine everywhere.

(4) Reportedly, many of the villagers are trying home remedies to reduce the effect of the disease and hence they may not require the medicine.

(5) If the medicine is not injected under the prescribed controlled environments, it may have adverse effects.

(IBPS RRBs Officer Scale-I & II CWE 12.09.2015)

109. Study the following information carefully and answer the question which follows :

In spite of conducting several awareness programmes and receiving monetary help from the Government, the women self-help groups are not very successful in rural areas of State B.

Which of the following statements cannot be a reason for the given problem ?

(1) Mobility is highly limited for women due to social barriers in rural areas.

(2) Women self-help groups are unable to complete the orders on time due to manpower shortage.

(3) Women in rural areas of State B hesitate in starting their own ventures due to lack of practical knowledge.

(4) Only 55% of the women in rural areas of State B have matriculation certificate.

(5) Self-help groups in rural areas of State B lack an organised structure to pump in enough money for advertising their products.

(IBPS RRBs Officer Scale-I & II CWE 13.09.2015)

110. Statement : Company A has approached the government with a proposal to build road and other infrastructure for providing transport facilities in area X. Which of the following could possibly lead the government to turn down the proposal forwarded by Company A?

(1) Residents of Area X and its adjoining areas have to walk for several kilometres to seek transport facilities.

(2) Company B which had undertaken similar projects earlier had failed to build good quality roads in the area.

(3) Although, area X is in dire need of road and infrastructure facilities, any company which undertook it would not make huge profits in the long run.

(4) Area X is a land with very low economic productivity and negligible residents.

(5) Area X is the unofficial hub for transportation of agriculture goods from State A to State B.

(IBPS Bank PO/MT CWE-V Main Exam, 31.10.2015)

111. Study the following information and answer the question.

The Government of State D was recently criticised for accepting a proposal as per which schools in the state will not conduct exams up to standard nine. Rather, schools will promote all the students up to standard nine and from standard nine onwards the students would either be passed or failed depending upon their marks in the exams.

Which of the following may not be a reason for the criticism of the Government of State D for accepting the proposal?

- (1) Several parents have raised concern that students would not be willing to pay attention in class and retain the information because they do not have to write exams.
- (2) Students learn to write exam papers in a stipulated period of time with practice of solving exam papers over the years and many students may not be able to grasp this directly in the standard nine.
- (3) Many teachers are of the opinion that students have become very competitive and are mainly focused on acquiring marks rather than gaining knowledge.
- (4) Studies suggest that students become less prone to exam anxiety and exam fear when they get used to passing exams over the year as compared to when they do not appear for an exam at all.
- (5) Experts suggest that the special needs of children can be adequately assessed through evaluation of their exam papers and early assessment helps initiate early intervention and major projects through exams.

(IBPS Specialist Officer (Marketing) CWE 01.02.2016)

112. Study the given information carefully and answer the question given below :

School M, which has always been among the winning schools in inter-school sports competitions has sent only 5 participants for the inter-school competitions to be

held this year. More participants were expected from the school as last year out of its 19 participants 12 won gold medal while others won silver and bronze medals.

Which of the following may not be a reason for the decrease in number of participants for inter-school sports competition from School M ?

- (1) Parents of Students studying in School M are unwilling to send their children for the inter-school sports competition this year.
- (2) Most coaches have resigned from School M this year as they got a much better offer from School D, and School M has not found a good replacement yet.
- (3) Most parents of students studying in School M were reluctant to send their children for inter-school sports competition this year as the accommodations provided last year were substandard.
- (4) The sponsors of School M have reduced the funding of the school by half this year
- (5) Two-third students, out of those who went to the inter-school competition last year, either failed, or scored very low in the final exam and the school did not consider giving them grace marks based on sports performance.

(IBPS Specialist Officer (IT) CWE 14.02.2016)

SBI PO EXAMS

Directions (1-5): Below in each questions are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(SBI PO Exam. 09.01.2005)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes

Mark answer (5) if both statements are effects of some common cause.

1. A. The committee appointed by the Government on the fee structure of the professional courses has drastically reduced the fees of various courses in comparison to those charged in the last year.
B. The parents of aspiring students seeking admission to professional courses had launched a severe agitation protesting against the high fees charged by the professional institutes and the admission process was delayed considerably.
2. A. The farmers have decided against selling their Kharif crops to the Government agencies.
B. The Government has reduced the procurement price of Kharif crops starting from last month to the next six months.
3. A. The Reserve Bank of India has recently put restrictions on few small banks in the country.
B. The small banks in the private and co-operative sector in India are not in a position to withstand the competitions of the bigger in the public sector.
4. A. The performance of India sportspersons in the recently held Olympics could not reach the level of expectation the country had on them.
B. The performance of Indian sportspersons in the last Asian games was far better than any previous games.

CAUSE & EFFECT

- A.** Large number of people living in the low lying areas have been evacuated during the last few days to safer places.
- B.** The Government has rushed in relief supplies to the people living in the affected areas.

Effect : Majority of the employees of the ailing organization opted for voluntary retirement scheme and left the organization with all their retirement benefits within a fortnight of launching the scheme.

Which of the following can be a probable cause of the above effect?

- (1) The company has been making huge losses for the past five years and is unable to pay salary to its employees in time.
- (2) The management of the company made huge personal gains through unlawful activities.
- (3) One of the competitors of the company went bankrupt last year.
- (4) The company owns large tracts of land in the state which will fetch huge sum to its owners.
- (5) None of these

(SBI & Rural Business PO Exam. 18.04.2010)

7. Cause : The Government has recently increased its taxes on petrol and diesel by about 10 percent.

Which of the following can be a possible effect of the above cause?

- (1) The petroleum companies will reduce the prices of petrol and diesel by about 10 percent.
- (2) The petroleum companies will increase the prices of petrol and diesel by about 10 percent.
- (3) The petroleum companies will increase the prices of petrol and diesel by about 5 percent.
- (4) The petrol pumps will stop selling petrol and diesel till the taxes are rolled back by the government.
- (5) None of these

(SBI & Rural Business PO Exam. 18.04.2010)

Directions (8-9) : Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below :

(SBI Specialist Officer
(Law Officer : MMQS Scale-II)
Online Exam. 19.04.2014)

Four Management Institutes have decided to conduct a Common Admission Test for selecting suitable candidates for the new session.

8. Which of the following can be possible consequence(s) of this decision?

- (A) The aspirants would take only one test in a year.
- (B) The Common Admission Test would save the application fee.
- (C) Now the aspirants will have only one attempt to prove themselves.
- (D) Only the top most Institute will receive more number of applications if aspirants fill up different forms.
- (E) A large number of aspirants would be selected as there are more Institutes to accommodate them.
- (F) It is not possible to allot Institutes to the selected candidates as per their preferences.

- (1) Only (B), (C) and (F)
- (2) Only (A), (C) and (F)
- (3) Only (A), (B) and (E)
- (4) Only (C), (E) and (F)
- (5) Only (B), (C) and (D)

9. Which of the following can be the probable cause for this decision?

- (A) To select the most suitable candidates
- (B) To streamline the selection process
- (C) To concede the demands of aspirants
- (1) Only (A) and (B)
- (2) Only (B) and (C)
- (3) Only (C)
- (4) Only (A) and (C)
- (5) All (A), (B) and (C)

Directions (10-14) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the state-

ments and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(SBI Probationary Officer
Online Exam. 21.06.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

10. (A) A substantial increase in the unhealthy competition has been observed among the students.

(B) A rise of 23% is reported every year in the cases of suicides after declaration of grade 10th and 12th examination results.

11. (A) The glaciers at the poles of the earth are melting at a fast rate.

(B) In recent times there has been a substantial increase in the incidents of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions.

12. (A) Most of the shopkeepers in the locality closed their shops for the second continuous day.

(B) Two groups of people living in the locality have been fighting with each other with bricks and stones forcing people to stay indoors.

13. (A) The Government has decided to increase the prices of LPG gas cylinders with immediate effect.

(B) The Government has decided to increase the prices of kerosene with immediate effect.

14. (A) The country 'X' has banned the import of fruit.

(B) The intake of that fruit causes disease.

Directions (15-19) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(SBI Probationary Officer
Online Exam, 21.06.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

15. (A) There have been several incidences of air mishaps across the world which have exposed gaps in air safety measures.
- (B) The international transportation safety board has proposed to conduct an emergency inspection of international airports and airlines in many countries.
16. (A) A majority of students performed poorly during the board exams this year.
- (B) Teachers and the administrative staff have threatened to go on a strike demanding a raise in their salary packages.
17. (A) The government has formed a task force to prevent illegal felling of trees in several parts of the country.
- (B) The government has levied severe penalty on the industries polluting nearby land and water bodies to protect the environment.

18. (A) Many scientists have indicated that extreme stress situations at the workplace lead to various disorders ranging from diabetes to heart ailments.

(B) In a major research the scientists have proven that Indian population is more susceptible to heart ailments owing to their genetic make-up.

19. (A) Many farmers have reverted to using traditional methods of agriculture from the ones utilizing genetically modified seeds.

(B) Many farmers using genetically modified seeds have been experiencing a significant decline in soil fertility over the years.

Directions (20-24) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(SBI Probationary Officer
Online Exam, 28.06.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

20. (A) Municipal corporation of a city has started providing meals at the school to support the education of slum children. It also started providing books free of cost to the children so that it could help them to study and monetary issue do not hamper their education.

(B) In order to help slum children in their study the prices of books have been reduced by 40 percent. The prices of uniform have also been reduced by 50 percent.

21. (A) A legal notice was issued by the High Court in City A. According to this notice the slum area in the City A should not be removed. The legal notice supports the slum area in City A. The slum area should be provided with better facilities.

(B) Builders of the City A have increased the rate of residential area in the City A by 40 percent. The residential flats have become more costly than earlier.

22. (A) A hospital has lost the case against its patient. The patient has charged that by eating food from hospital he has got down by the food poisoning.

(B) Hospital Management have become strict in bringing food from outside the hospital premise. The food made in the canteen will only be served inside the hospital premise.

23. (A) The temperature of the city was the lowest during the week. The city recorded low temperature of the decade. The city was also engulfed in fog.

(B) There was unusual delay in the flights from the city and so passengers were stranded at the airport. The passengers faced many problems at the airport.

24. (A) The roads of City A get flooded with vehicles during the evening hour and major parts of city face the problem of traffic jam.

(B) The level of air pollution has been increased in the City A these days.

25. Read the following information carefully and answer the question which follows :

As per a recent survey 85% of the work force today is either actively looking for a job or open to talking to recruiters and relevant opportunities; the ones who are satisfied with their job.

Which of the following may be a reason for the above mentioned results of the survey ?

- (1) As there is the wide array of opportunity today and head hunters are always seeking for professionals, people are not willing to let go of an opportunity to do something new and challenging
- (2) As per a recent survey more than 40% people today are dissatisfied with their jobs as there is the wide gap between what they study in the class room as compared to the actual work they do.
- (3) Some people in the country take education loan for completing higher education and are expected to repay the loans themselves after they start working.
- (4) As employees today are of different age group and backgrounds it becomes difficult for the HR department to organize employment engagement activities to improve the job satisfaction of employees
- (5) Only a few people study for high specialized courses in the country and they are always in demand as there is high scale gap in many organizations.

(SBI Associates PO Online Exam, 30.11.2014)

Directions (26-30) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(SBI Management Executive Exam, 19.09.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

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(B) In order to help slum children in their study the prices of books have been reduced by 40 percent. The prices of uniform have also been reduced by 50 percent.
27. (A) A legal notice was issued by the High Court in City A. According to this notice the slum area in the City A should not be removed. The legal notice supports the slum area in City A. The slum area should be provided with better facilities.
(B) Builders of the City A have increased the rate of residential area in the City A by 40 percent. The residential flats have become more costly than earlier.
28. (A) A hospital has lost the case against its patient. The patient has charged that by eating food from hospital he has got down by the food poisoning.
(B) Hospital Management have become strict in bringing food from outside the hospital premise. The food made in the canteen will only be served inside the hospital premise.
29. (A) The temperature of the city was the lowest during the week. The city recorded low temperature of the decade. The city was also engulfed in fog.
(B) There was unusual delay in the flights from the city and so passengers were stranded at the airport. The passengers faced many problems at the airport.

30. (A) The roads of City A get flooded with vehicles during the evening hour and major parts of city face the problem of traffic jam.
(B) The level of air pollution has been increased in the City A these days.

31. **Statement :** The renowned car maker of the Country 'X' has observed that its new 'Zip Zap' car is very much in demand among the customers. Car maker says that it has provided special type of seat belts in the car. The seat belts are provided even at the rear end of the car.

Which of the following is most probable reason for the increase in the sell of Zip Zap cars?

- (1) The customers are very much aware about their safety
- (2) Zip Zap cars have special facilities which are not available in the other cars.
- (3) Zip Zap car has incorporated most sophisticated technology.
- (4) Zip Zap car is fuel efficient
- (5) None of these

(SBI Management Executive

Exam, 19.09.2014)

32. Read the following information carefully and answer the question which follows :

As per a recent survey 85% of the work force today is either actively looking for a job or open to talking to recruiters and relevant opportunities; the ones who are satisfied with their job.

Which of the following may be a reason for the above mentioned results of the survey ?

- (1) As there is the wide array of opportunity today and head hunters are always seeking for professionals, people are not willing to let go of an opportunity to do something new and challenging
- (2) As per a recent survey more than 40% people today are dissatisfied with their jobs as there is the wide gap between what they study in the class room as compared to the actual work they do.

- (3) Some people in the country take education loan for completing higher education and are expected to repay the loans themselves after they start working.
- (4) As employees today are of different age group and backgrounds it becomes difficult for the HR department to or-

ganize employment engagement activities to improve the job satisfaction of employees

(5) Only a few people study for high specialized courses in the country and they are always in demand as there is high scale gap in many organizations.

(SBI Associates PO Online Exam. 30.11.2014)

RBI GRADE-B NABARD GRADE-A OFFICER EXAMS

Directions (1-5) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(RBI Grade-B Officer Exam. 2007)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

1. (A) Many seats in the private engineering colleges in the state have remained vacant this year.

(B) The government engineering colleges in the state could accommodate all the students who sought admission this year.

2. (A) The government of India has allowed the private airline companies to operate in specified international routes.

(B) There has been a considerable increase in the flow of foreign tourists to India.

3. (A) The state government has now decided to increase the stamp duty on house purchases with immediate effect.

(B) The real estate prices have decreased considerably during the last few months.

4. (A) Most of the steel manufacturing companies in the country have made considerable profit during the last financial year.

(B) Many Asian countries have been importing huge quantities of steel from India.

5. (A) The bank decided to give advances to the priority sector at the rate of interest at par with the corporate sector.

(B) The percentage of bad loans given by the banks to the priority sector is very low compared to corporate sector.

6. **Cause :** All the major rivers in the state have been flowing way over the danger level for the past few weeks.

Which of the following is/are possible effect(s) of the above cause?

(A) Many villages situated near the river banks are submerged forcing residents to flee.

(B) Government has decided to provide alternate shelter to all the affected villagers residing near the river banks.

(C) The entire state has been put on high flood alert.

(1) Only (A)

(2) Only (A) and (B)

(3) Only (B) and (C)

(4) All (A), (B) and (C)

(5) None of these

(RBI Grade-B Officer Exam. 2007)

7. **Effect :** This year majority of the final year students of the management institute have opted for finance specialization. Which of the following can be a probable cause of the above effect?

(1) Last year most of the students with HR specialization got better job offers than other specializations.

(2) The management institute offers only finance specialization to its final year students.

(3) Last year the students with finance specialization bagged most of the lucrative offers vis-a-vis students with other specializations.

(4) The management institute has recently started its finance specialization in addition to Marketing and HR being offered earlier.

(5) None of these

(RBI Grade-B Officer Exam. 2007)

8. **Effect :** Govt. has allowed all the airlines to charge additional amount as peak time congestion charges for the flights landing between 6.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. Which of the following is a probable cause of the above effect?

(1) All the airline companies had threatened to suspend their services during peak hours.

(2) The Govt. has increased its tax for peak time flights.

(3) The aircraft are routinely put on hold over the airports while landing during peak time causing extra fuel consumption.

(4) The airlines companies can now charge unlimited additional charge for peak time flights

(5) None of these

(RBI Grade-B Officer Exam. 2007)

Directions (9-19) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the follow-

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ing answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(RBI Grade-B Officer
Exam. 11.10.2009)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

Aviation is important, both as an industry in its own right and as a facilitator for the success and competitiveness of other industries. The success of the aviation industry is also integral to national competitiveness, economic development and social progress. More importantly, aviation supports those new economy sectors on which India's future prosperity relies, like information technology, biotechnology, finance and electronics. That India's air transport industry is on the rise is an undisputable fact. However, the Indian economy will only achieve its true potential if we are able to compete in the industries of the future. We need to be strong in the areas with potential to grow and the role of India's aviation sector is critical in this regard.

9. India needs to make massive investments in infrastructure development.
10. Growth in India's aviation sector is important to its economic development.
11. India has made substantial development in the biotechnology sector.
12. India has tremendous potential to grow in the emerging industries.
13. Aviation sector in India has not fulfilled its role in the past in its economic development.

Effect : At least twenty school children were seriously injured while going for a school picnic during the weekend.

Which of the following can be a probable cause of the above effect ?

- (1) The teacher accompanying the school children fell ill during the journey.
- (2) The bus in which the children were travelling met with an accident while taking turn on the main highway.
- (3) The driver of the bus in which the children were travelling did not report after the break at the halting place on their journey.
- (4) The school authority banned all school picnics for the next six months with immediate effect.
- (5) None of these

15. Cause : Government has recently decided to hike the procurement price of paddy for the rabi crops.

Which of the following will be a possible effect of the above cause?

- (1) The farmers may be encouraged to cultivate paddy for the rabi season.
- (2) The farmers may switch over to other cash crops in their paddy fields.
- (3) There was a drop in production of paddy during kharif season.
- (4) Government may not increase the procurement price of paddy during the next kharif season.
- (5) Government will buy paddy from the open market during the next few months.

(RBI Grade-B Officer
Exam. 11.10.2009)

Directions (16-19) : Read the following information and five statements given below it carefully and answer the questions which follow.

(RBI Grade-B Officer
Exam. 11.10.2009)

Exodus from rural areas to the urban hubs in search of job opportunities has now declined to nearly twenty-six percent of what it was at the turn of 21st century.

(A) Since the last decade, the rural economy has transformed itself into a bankable, profit making and commercially viable venture

- (B) Job opportunities differ in urban and rural areas
- (C) The load on infrastructure and resources in the urban areas which had remained unmanageable for a long time has been eased a little since the last decade.
- (D) This trend of reverse migration which was seen only in developed countries till now has entered the scenes of developing nations as well
- (E) According to a recent report more than eighty percent of the professionals having roots in rural areas prefer to work in urban cities rather than their home villages.

16. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above represents an **effect** of the given information most appropriately?

- (1) B (2) C
- (3) D (4) E
- (5) Either D or E

17. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above represents a **cause** of the given information most appropriately?

- (1) E (2) D
- (3) C (4) B
- (5) A

18. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above represents an **assumption** most appropriately ? (An assumption is something supposed or taken for granted)

- (1) A (2) B
- (3) C (4) Both A and C
- (5) D

19. Which of the statements numbered (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) mentioned above would **weaken/contradict** the facts presented in the paragraph?

- (1) A (2) B
- (3) C (4) D
- (5) E

Directions (20 - 22) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes

or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(RBI Officer Grade 'B' Online Exam, 25.08.2013)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

20. (1) Government has increased number of buses plying between Mumbai and Surat.
(2) The government has allowed private bus owners to operate between Mumbai and Surat.
21. (1) The association of management colleges conducted a combined admission exam for all the institutes this year.
(2) As the dates for entrance exam for many management colleges clashed last year, many candidates complained that they could not appear for a number of entrance exams.
22. (1) The department store owner put cameras for surveillance of the store.
(2) Many products were reported missing by the staff working in the departmental store.

Directions (23-25) : Below in each question are given two statements (A) and (B). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(RBI Officer Grade 'B' Phase-I Exam, 03.08.2014)

Mark answer (1) if statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

Mark answer (2) if statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Mark answer (3) if both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

Mark answer (4) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.

Mark answer (5) if both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

23. (A) Company A sales shampoo in urban areas. It has launched small sachets for penetration into the rural areas.
(B) Company A wants to expand its business to rural areas as rural people cannot afford larger packets.
24. (A) Railway Minister has increased fare by 14 per cent but he has slashed the fare of second class.
(B) Second class travellers have sent letters to the Railway Ministry for rolling back the hike in fare.
25. (A) Lung cancer is the most hazardous disease in India. It is not necessarily caused due to smoking rather passive smoking is more dangerous.
(B) Government has banned smoking in public and it has been made a punishable offence.
26. Study the following information to answer the given question.
Company S has recently rented many apartments in building Y for providing official quarters to its employees. However, although many employees had requested the company to provide accommodation around six months ago, since the announcement of quarters last month, hardly any employees has signed up for the new facility.
Which of the following may not be a reason for the employees' unwillingness to live in the official quarters?

(F) All the employees of company S were informed just two months ago that the company had decided to triple the house rent allowance (HRA) shortly.

(2) The area where the company has rented the apartments does not have a school, college or hospital in its 3 km radius.

(3) The maintenance amount for the apartments which have been rented by the company is very high and the company has announced that employees would have to pay the amount on their own.

(4) There have been talks about the company changing its current office location and the new office location is very far from the area in which the apartments have been rented.

(5) Apartments which have been rented by the company are located at an area which does not have adequate public transport facilities.

(RBI Officer Grade 'B' Phase-I Exam, 21.11.2013)

27. Read the following information carefully to answer the given question.

A few days after the semester results of a private Commerce College were declared, all the professors of the college went on a strike.

Which of the following may be a reason behind the professors going on strike?

- (1) A few new professors were appointed last year at an equal salary even though they were not as qualified as others.
- (2) None of the professors were allowed to be external examiner for other affiliated colleges this time.
- (3) For the third time in a row, the teachers were blamed for low results despite their consistent efforts.
- (4) The salaries of the professors have not been increased since the past two years.
- (5) The result declaration was delayed by over a week for this semester.

(NABARD Officer Grade 'A' Online Exam, 01.03.2018)

28. Read the following information and answer the given question. Despite severe power shortage and regular power cuts, the Government of X has refused to buy power from ABC Power Company, a private company in the same state.

Which of the following may be a reason due to which the Government of State X has denied buying power from the said company?

- (1) At present State X buys power from a neighbouring State-State Y.
- (2) Company ABC is a fairly new company and does not have the experience of handling a project efficiently
- (3) The government of State X is planning to open its own power plant in a period of five years in order to install sufficient power capacity
- (4) Although Company ABC has quoted a little higher price than expected, it has assured the Government that the state will receive uninterrupted power throughout the day and night.
- (5) Many people in State X have become habituated to the power cuts and as a result hardly anyone complains about the same.

(NABARD Officer Grade 'A'
Online Exam. 01.03.2015)

INSURANCE EXAMS

Directions (1-5) : Below each question are given two statements (I) and (II). These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statements. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choice correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements and Give Answer —

(LIC Assistant Administrative
Officer Exam. 2008)

- (1) If statement (I) is the cause and statement (II) is its effect.
- (2) If statement (II) is the cause and statement (I) is its effect.

- (3) If both the statements (I) and (II) are independent causes.
- (4) If both the statements (I) and (II) are effects of independent causes.
- (5) If both the statements (I) and (II) are effects of some common cause.

1. (I) The university authority has instructed all the colleges under its jurisdiction to ban use of all phones inside to college premises.
(II) Majority of the teachers of the colleges signed a joint petition to the university complaining the disturbances caused by cell phone ring-tones inside the classrooms.
2. (I) Majority of the people residing in the locality have decided to protest against the municipality authority's decision to allow construction of a shopping mall in the locality.
(II) Many shopping malls have been opened all over the city in the recent time.
3. (I) The prices of petrol and diesel in the domestic market have remained unchanged for the past few months.
(II) The crude oil prices in the international market have gone up substantially in the last few months.
4. (I) The meteorological department has issued a statement mentioning deficient rainfall during monsoon in many parts of the country.
(II) The Government has lowered the revised estimated GDP growth from the level of earlier estimates.
5. (I) The Government has decided to give tax benefits for small savings for investments and benefit accruals. However all withdrawals of such savings are to be taxed.
(II) People have been investing more in small savings than in equity market to avail maximum tax benefits.
6. In this question there are two statements (A) and (B). These statements may either be independent causes or effects of in-

dependent cause or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements carefully and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements :

- (A) The management of the company XYZ has recently decided to revise its salary structure and also give a number of incentives to employees.
- (B) The attrition rate of company XYZ has doubled this year, as compared to last year and is showing a rising trend.
- (1) Both statements (A) and (B) are effect of some common cause.
- (2) Both statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.
- (3) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
- (4) Statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
- (5) Statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

(NIACL Administrative Officer
(AO) Exam, 10.01.2015)

7. In this question there are two statements (A) and (B). These statements may either be independent causes or effects of independent cause or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements carefully and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements :

- (A) According to the latest data, the number of electric cars in the Country Y has increased in the recent years.
- (B) The oil prices have decreased in the Country Y.
- (1) Both statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.
- (2) Both statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.
- (3) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
- (4) Statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
- (5) Statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

(NIACL Administrative Officer
(AO) Online Exam, 11.01.2015)

8. In this question there are two statements (A) and (B). These may either be independent causes or effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of the statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements carefully and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.

(A) As per the statistics there has been a rise in the number of electric cars in country 'Y' this year.

(B) The oil prices have fallen strongly in country 'Y' this year and estimated to stay low for atleast two years for now and not decrease further.

- (1) Statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect
 - (2) Both statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes
 - (3) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect
 - (4) Both statements (A) and (B) are independent causes
 - (5) Both statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause
- (NIACL Administrative Officer
(AO) Online Exam, 12.01.2015)

SHORT ANSWERS

NATIONALISED BANKS & IBPS PO/MT/SO EXAMS

1.(1)	2.(2)	3.(2)	4.(2)
5.(5)	6.(4)	7.(1)	8.(1)
9.(2)	10.(1)	11.(4)	12.(1)
13.(4)	14.(2)	15.(2)	16.(5)
17.(1)	18.(2)	19.(4)	20.(5)
21.(1)	22.(5)	23.(5)	24.(1)
25.(4)	26.(2)	27.(4)	28.(2)
29.(1)	30.(2)	31.(1)	32.(4)
33.(4)	34.(2)	35.(1)	36.(5)
37.(3)	38.(5)	39.(3)	40.(4)
41.(1)	42.(1)	43.(2)	44.(4)
45.(4)	46.(2)	47.(5)	48.(1)
49.(1)	50.(4)	51.(2)	52.(2)
53.(3)	54.(1)	55.(1)	56.(4)

57.(3)	58.(5)	59.(1)	60.(4)
61.(2)	62.(4)	63.(1)	64.(3)
65.(5)	66.(4)	67.(2)	68.(2)
69.(2)	70.(2)	71.(4)	72.(2)
73.(1)	74.(2)	75.(1)	76.(2)
77.(3)	78.(3)	79.(3)	80.(1)
81.(1)	82.(1)	83.(1)	84.(4)
85.(3)	86.(5)	87.(1)	88.(3)
89.(4)	90.(1)	91.(5)	92.(1)
93.(5)	94.(2)	95.(4)	96.(2)
97.(1)	98.(1)	99.(1)	100.(4)
101.(5)	102.(2)	103.(3)	104.(1)
105.(3)	106.(1)	107.(3)	108.(5)
109.(4)	110.(5)	111.(4)	112.(1)

SBI PO EXAMS

1. (2)	2. (2)	3. (2)	4. (4)
5. (5)	6. (1)	7. (2)	8. (3)
9. (1)	10. (1)	11. (4)	12. (2)
13. (5)	14. (2)	15. (1)	16. (4)
17. (5)	18. (3)	19. (2)	20. (5)
21. (2)	22. (1)	23. (1)	24. (1)
25. (1)	26. (5)	27. (2)	28. (1)
29. (1)	30. (1)	31. (1)	32. (1)

RBI GRADE-B/ NABARD GRADE-A OFFICER EXAMS

1. (4)	2. (1)	3. (2)	4. (2)
5. (3)	6. (4)	7. (3)	8. (2)
9. (2)	10. (1)	11. (3)	12. (1)
13. (3)	14. (2)	15. (1)	16. (2)
17. (5)	18. (5)	19. (5)	20. (2)
21. (2)	22. (2)	23. (2)	24. (2)
25. (1)	26. (4)	27. (3)	28. (2)

INSURANCE EXAMS

1. (2)	2. (2)	3. (3)	4. (1)
5. (3)	6. (3)	7. (5)	8. (1)

EXPLANATIONS

NATIONALISED BANKS & IBPS PO/MT/SO EXAMS

1. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
2. (2) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
3. (2) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
4. (2) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
5. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.
6. (4) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of independent causes.
7. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
8. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
9. (2) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
10. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
11. (4) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of independent causes.
12. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
13. (4) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of independent causes.
14. (2) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
15. (2) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
16. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of some common cause.
17. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect
18. (2) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
19. (4) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
20. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of some common cause.
21. (1) Statement (B) — Cause
Statement (A) — Effect
22. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of some common cause.
23. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of some common cause.
24. (1) Statement (A) — Cause
Statement (B) — Effect

100. (4) Statements (C) and (D) represent the effect the information given above.
101. (5) Only statement (E) may weaken/contradict the facts presented in the paragraph.
102. (2) Obviously, statements (C) and (D) represent the cause for issuing any advertisement.
103. (3) Obviously, statement (A) highlights the limitation of an advertisement.
104. (1) Obviously, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
105. (3) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
106. (1) Obviously, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
107. (3) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
108. (5) Obviously, option (5) is the reason behind the decision of the Medical Association of the State 'X'.
109. (4) Obviously, option (4) cannot be the reason for the given problem.
110. (5) Obviously, option (5) may be the reason for turning down the proposal of Company A. Area X is indulged in illegal trade of agriculture goods. Therefore, the Government may not be interested in developing infrastructure in the Area X.
111. (4) Clearly, option (4) may not be a reason for the criticism of the Government of State D for accepting the proposal.
112. (1) Option (1) does not explain the reason behind the decision of parents. Therefore, Option (1) may not be a reason for the decrease in number of participants for interschool sports competition from School M.

SBI PO EXAMS

1. (2) Statement B is the cause and statement A is its effect.
Owing to agitation against high fees the Government appointed a committee to look into the matter.
2. (2) Statement B is the cause and statement A is its effect. Owing to reduction in the procurement price of Kharif crops the farmers are reluctant to sell their Kharif crops to Government agencies.

3. (2) Statement B is the cause and statement A is its effect. Owing to inability of the small banks to withstand the competitions of the bigger banks the Reserve Bank of India put restrictions on few small banks.
4. (4) Both the statements A and B are effects of independent causes.
5. (5) Both the statements are effects of some common cause.
6. (1) The company has been making huge losses for the past five years and is unable to pay salary to its employees in time.
7. (2) The petroleum companies will increase the prices of petrol and diesel by about 10 percent.
8. (3) Only statements (A), (B) and (E) can be the possible consequences of the decision.
9. (1) Only statements (A) and (B) can be the probable causes of the decision.
10. (1) Clearly statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
11. (4) Clearly, both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
12. (2) Clearly statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
13. (5) Both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.
14. (2) Clearly statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
15. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
16. (4) Clearly, both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
17. (5) Clearly, both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.
18. (3) Clearly, both the statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.

19. (2) Clearly, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
20. (5) Obviously both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of same (common) cause. Both statements seek to promote education among slum children.
21. (2) It is clear that statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
22. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
23. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
24. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
25. (1) Obviously Option (1) may be the reason.
26. (5) Obviously both the statements (A) and (B) are effects of same (common) cause. Both statements seek to promote education among slum children.
27. (2) It is clear that statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
28. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
29. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
30. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
31. (1) In any advertisement the point which is highlighted is liked by the people. The statement discusses the safety aspect of the car. So, it may be said that customers are very much aware about their safety.
32. (1) Obviously Option (1) may be the reason.

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1. (4) According to question, both the statements (A) and (B) are effect of independent causes.
2. (1) According to question, (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.
3. (2) According to question, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

4. (2) According to question, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.
5. (3) According to question, both the statement (A) and (B) are independent causes.
6. (4) All (A), (B) and (C)
7. (3) Last year the students with finance specialization bagged most of the lucrative offers vis-a-

vis students with other specializations

8. (2) The Govt. has increased its tax for peak time flights.

9. (2) According to question, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

10. (1) According to question, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

11. (3) According to question, both the statement (A) and (B) are independent.

12. (1) According to question, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

13. (3) According to question, both the statement (A) and (B) are independent.

14. (2) The bus in which the children were travelling met with an accident while taking turn on the main highway.

15. (1) The farmers may be encouraged to cultivate paddy for the rabi season.

16. (2) Statement (C) is the effect.

17. (5) Statement (A) is the cause.

18. (5) Statement (D) is an assumption.

19. (5) Statement (E) contradicts the facts stated in the paragraph.

20. (2) Statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

21. (2) Statement (B) is the cause and Statement (A) is its effect.

22. (2) Statement (B) is the cause and Statement (A) is its effect.

23. (2) Obviously, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

24. (2) Obviously, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

25. (1) Obviously, statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect.

26. (4) All the options appear appropriate reasons to decline the offer by the company S at a glance. However, critical analysis of all the options reveals that option (4) is an uncertain event. Therefore, it may not be a reason for the employee's unwillingness to live in the official quarters.

27. (3) All the professors of the Commerce College went on a strike after the results were declared. Therefore, option (3) could be a reason for the strike.

28. (2) Obviously option (2) may be the reason.

2. (2) According to question, statement (II) is the cause and statement (I) is its effect.

3. (3) According to question, both the statements (I) and (II) are independent causes.

4. (1) According to question, statement (I) is the cause and statement (II) is its effect.

5. (3) According to question, both the statements (I) and (II) are independent causes.

6. (3) The Company XYZ is not performing well as employees are leaving the company so the management has decided to revise the salary structure and provide a number of incentives to employees in order to improve the situation. Thus, statement (B) is the cause and statement (A) is its effect.

Attrition Rate : A measure of the number of individuals or items moving out of a collective group over a specific period of time.

7. (5) It is clear that statement (A) is the cause and statement (B) is its effect. Due to increase in the number of electric cars, the demand for oil falls substantially and hence the prices of oil have been decreased in the Country 'Y'.

8. (1) Clearly, statement (A) is the cause and statement B is its effect. □□□

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1. (2) According to question, statement (II) is the cause and statement (I) is its effect.

MODEL EXERCISES

Directions (1-3) : In each of these questions, there are given two statements numbered I and II. These statements may be either independent causes or may be effects of independent causes. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements and decide which of the following answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements. Mark answer as

- (1) if 'T' is the immediate and principal cause and 'IF' its effect
- (2) if 'T' is effect and 'II' is its immediate and principle cause
- (3) if 'T' is an effect but 'II' is not its immediate and principal cause

- (4) If 'II' is an effect but 'T' is not its immediate and principal cause
- (5) None of these

- I. The interview panel has recommended 5 candidates for 3 vacancies which are to be filled immediately in Company Z.
 - II. The 5 candidates have been asked to contact company Z next week to know their result and accordingly to collect appointment letters.
2. I. The financial position of the Electricity Division of State XYZ has weakened and it has made demand to the government for more subsidies.

II. While the Electricity Division of State XYZ has revised the pay and perks of its employees, several subscribers and farmers have refused to pay long pending dues.

3. I. Recently, the prices of the personal computers (PCs) have come down.
- II. Some school children are showing keen interest in learning computers.

Directions (4-6) : In each of these questions, two statements I and II are given. These may have a cause and effect relationship or may have independent causes or be the effects of independent causes. Read the statements and mark answer as

- (1) If statement I is the cause and statement II is its effect.
- (2) If statement II is the cause and statement I is its effect.
- (3) If both the statements I and II are effects of independent causes.
- (4) If both the statements I and II are effects of some common cause.
- (5) None of these

4. Statement I : Drinking tea has a number of health benefits. A cup of the beverage can help slash the risk of developing cancer by shrinking tumours.

Statement II : The new research has shown that black tea could help prevent cancer. The compound Theaflavin-2 which has antioxidant properties reduces the risk of some cancers as well as heart disease.

5. Statement I : India has lost a staggering \$462 billion in illicit financial flows due to tax evasion, crime and corruption post-independence according to a report released by Washington-based Global Financial Integrity.

Statement II : More than 40% of the FDIs to India originate from Mauritius. Mauritius has now agreed to negotiate and revise the existing Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) with India, as capital gains is exempted from tax in Mauritius and a Mauritian company cannot be taxed in India.

6. Statement I : Not a single Indian University, including the IITs, has fared well in an all-Asian varsity ranking for the year 2011. IIT-Bombay is the only one to figure in the world top 200 at 187, lower than the previous year's rank of 163.

Statement II : A university founded merely two decades ago — the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology — has topped the charts. The University of Cambridge got a perfect 100. All the seven old IITs have made it to the Asian University ranking, but their ranks have slid.

7. Study the following information carefully to answer the given question :

Since its launch, 'Thrice-Spice' restaurant chain to city X has earned accolades from each of its visitors. After almost a year of successful service, 'Thrice-Spice' has been nominated for the 'Best Restaurant of the City' Award. But, against the expectation of many people, it lost the award to a newbie in the market.

Which of the following can be the major reason for this ?

- (1) The restaurant that won the award is a multi-cuisine restaurant and offers a much wider variety than 'Thrice-Spice'.
 - (2) The first month profit of the new restaurant was higher than that of 'Thrice-Spice', which according to some people is because it treats its customers to Karaoke.
 - (3) The sale of 'Thrice-Spice' in the last month was a little lower than the winning restaurant due to its weekend discount offers in the said month.
 - (4) Though the winning restaurant has only one outlet, unlike 'Thrice-Spice' chains it's located in the heart of the city.
 - (5) 'Thrice-Spice' remains closed on every Wednesday, whereas the other restaurants of the city are open throughout the week.
- 8. In this question there are two statements (A) and (B). These statements may either be independent causes or effects of independent causes or a common cause. One of these statements may be the effect of the other statement. Read both the statements carefully and decide which of the given answer choices correctly depicts the relationship between these two statements.**
- (A) Despite giving their best performance, more than 100 employees of XYZ Pvt. Ltd. have been laid off.
 - (B) More than 40% employees of XYZ Pvt. Ltd. who have crossed the age of 50 years have been asked to take voluntary retirement from their services.

- (1) Statement (A) is the cause and Statement (B) is its effect.
- (2) Statement (B) is the cause and Statement (A) is its effect.
- (3) Both statements (A) and (B) are effects of independent causes.
- (4) Both Statements (A) and (B) are independent causes.
- (5) Both Statements (A) and (B) are effects of some common cause.

SHORT ANSWERS

1.(1)	2.(2)	3.(3)	4.(2)
5.(3)	6.(4)	7.(1)	8.(2)

EXPLANATIONS

1. (1) Statement I is the immediate and principal cause and II is its effect because five candidates are recommended and they have been asked to company Z to know their result.
2. (2) Statement II is the immediate and principal cause and I is its effect because after paying revised pay and perks to its employees and unable to recover long pending dues the financial position of Electricity Division of State XYZ has weakened and so it has made demand to the government for more subsidies.
3. (3) Both the statements are independent to each other and statement I is an effect while II is the principal cause.
4. (2) Clearly, Statement II is the cause and Statement I is its effect.
5. (3) Both the Statements I and II are effects of independent causes.
6. (4) Both the Statements I and II are effects of some common cause.
7. (1) Obviously, option (1) may be reason for providing the Best Restaurant of the City Award to a newbie.
8. (2) Clearly, Statement (B) is the cause and Statement (A) is its effect.