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Questions to Practice Reading Comprehension for LSAT

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Following are the questions to practice reading comprehension for LSAT.

Passage 1:

The ongoing fighting between Armenian rebels and the Azerbaijani Army in Nagorno-Karabakh, a self-declared republic within Azerbaijan, risks becoming a wider regional conflict. Though Armenia and Azerbaijan agreed to a Russia-mediated ceasefire last week after days of fighting, the truce crumbled immediately amid a blame game. Whatever the truth is, an emboldened Azerbaijan, backed by Turkey, seems determined to press ahead with its offensive.

The conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh is decades old. The region, largely populated by ethnic Armenians, is located within the international boundaries of Azerbaijan. Under the Soviet Union, it was an autonomous province that was part of the Azerbaijan republic. In 1988, when the Soviet power was receding, the regional assembly in Nagorno-Karabakh voted to join Armenia, triggering ethnic clashes. After the Soviet disintegration in 1991, Armenia and Azerbaijan went to war over this largely mountainous, forested enclave.

By the time a ceasefire was reached in 1994, the rebels, with support from Armenia and Russia, had established their de facto rule and extended their influence to the Armenian border. Ever since the border has remained —— (1) —-.

Source

Questions

1. The war between Armenia and Azerbaijan was for the

- The Soviet Disintegration
- The mountainous and forested enclave
- Both (a) and (b)

- None of these

1. Which of the following statement is incorrect?

- Rebels extended their influence to the Armenian border with support from Armenia.
- Rebels extended their influence to the Armenian border with support from Russia.
- By the time a ceasefire was reached in 1994, the rebels have established their de facto rule.
- The border remained tense because Azerbaijan did not support Armenia.

1. Which word in the passage is synonym with activating?

- Amid
- Triggering
- Initiating
- None of the above.

1. The best-suited word for (1) is

- Happy
- Peaceful
- Tense
- Dead

1. As per the passage, which of the following statement is incorrect?

- The area of dispute is Nagorno-Karabakh.
- Nagorno-Karabakh is located within Azerbaijan.
- The Soviet Union disintegrated in 1991.
- All are correct

Passage 2:

The RBI has used its latest monetary policy review to unequivocally indicate that it will prioritise the revival of economic growth over inflation, at least through the end of the current financial year.

The bank's reconstituted Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), with three new external members, unanimously voted to keep policy interest rates unchanged even as it categorically stated that the

RBI would “continue with the accommodative stance as long as necessary to revive growth on a durable basis and mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the economy”.

Interestingly, the MPC none-too-subtly tilted away from its inflation-targeting mandate by downplaying the risks on the price pressures front when it assessed that supply shocks were mainly responsible for keeping inflation above the tolerance band for months. These shocks, it posited, should dissipate as the economy unlocks, supply chains are restored, and activity normalises.

As part of the shift in priority, it also made bold to project that it would —(1)— with the accommodative stance “at least during the current financial year and into the next financial year”, forward-looking guidance that immediately prompted one of the new members, Jayanth R. Varma, to dissent and votes against the wording.

While one will have to wait for the minutes of the meeting to possibly glean the objections that Prof. Varma, a markets expert, had, the MPC’s majority view of ensuring a ‘dovish’ position on interest rates for at least six months has left it little near-term leeway to tame price pressures.

Source

Questions

1. The term dovish in the passage refers to

- White
- Peaceful
- Top
- Lowest

1. As per the passage above, the latest monetary policy review has been used by RBI to indicate that

- It will prioritise the revival of economic growth.
- not prioritise the revival of economic growth.
- It will not prioritise inflation
- None of the above.

1. Which of the following statements is incorrect?

- The MPC decided to keep the policy interest rate unchanged.
- MPC had three new external members.
- The MPC unanimously decided to keep the policy interest rate unchanged.
- MPC hasn’t been constituted before.

1. The best-suited word for (1) is

- Rejected
- Supported
- Stick
- None of the above.

1. RBI is following the accommodative stance to:

- Revive the economy on a durable basis.
- To make India a rich country.
- To reduce the impact of Covid 19 on the economy.
- Both (a) and (c).

Answers:

Passage 1

1. (b)
2. (d)
3. (b)
4. (c)
5. (d)

Passage 2:

1. (a)
2. (a)
3. (d)
4. (c)
5. (d)