

Corrigendum/Explanation PTS 2024 Simulator CSAT Test 7

There are 2 updates in the paper (Q.22 and 27)

- In Q.22, there is no matching option, so all the students need to be awarded 2.5 marks.
- In Q.27, there is no matching option, so all the students need to be awarded 2.5 marks.

Q.22) There is no matching option

For Future Reference:

Passage

Climate change is a global phenomenon with far-reaching consequences, impacting countries around the world in diverse ways. While the root causes of climate change may be complex and multifaceted, the contributions of various countries to greenhouse gas emissions play a significant role. Developed nations, with their history of industrialization and high levels of consumption, have historically been the largest contributors to greenhouse gas emissions. However, emerging economies, seeking rapid development and industrial growth, are also increasing their carbon footprint. The impacts of climate change are not evenly distributed, with vulnerable countries in the Global South often bearing the brunt of its effects. Rising sea levels, extreme weather events, and shifts in agricultural patterns are just some of the challenges faced by countries disproportionately affected by climate change.

Q.22) On the basis of the above passage, the following assumptions have been made:

1. Developed nations are primarily responsible for the majority of greenhouse gas emissions.
2. Emerging economies prioritize environmental conservation over industrial growth.
3. Climate change impacts are evenly distributed across all countries.
4. Vulnerable countries in the Global South are less affected by climate change than developed nations.

Which of the above assumptions is/are valid?

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 1 and 4
- d) 2 and 4

Ans) a

Exp) Option a is the correct answer.

Assumption 1: correct. The passage states that developed nations have historically been the largest contributors to greenhouse gas emissions. So assumption 1 is valid.

Assumption 2: incorrect. While not explicitly stated, the passage implies that emerging economies do not prioritize industrial growth over environmental sustainability, so this assumption is invalid.

Assumption 3: incorrect. The passage highlights that climate change impacts are not evenly distributed, with vulnerable countries in the Global South often bearing the brunt of its effects.

Assumption 4: incorrect. The passage contradicts this assumption by stating that vulnerable countries in the Global South are often disproportionately affected by climate change.

Q.27) There is no matching option

For Future Reference:

Passage

The principle of separation of powers is a fundamental concept in political theory, advocating for the division of governmental authority into distinct branches to prevent the concentration of power in any single institution. In theory, this separation ensures a system of checks and balances, where each branch serves as a check on the powers of the other branches, thereby safeguarding against tyranny and abuse of power. However, in practice, the application of the separation of powers often faces challenges and complexities. Realpolitik, the practical application of political principles in the real world, presents obstacles such as institutional inertia, political polarization, and the influence of special interests. These factors can hinder the effective implementation of the separation of powers, leading to power struggles, gridlock, and compromises that may undermine the intended balance of power.

Q.27) On the basis of the above passage, which of the following assumptions have been made?

1. The principle of separation of powers is not applicable in real-world political systems.
2. Realpolitik often poses challenges to the effective implementation of the separation of powers.
3. Institutional inertia and political polarization do not affect the application of the separation of powers.
4. The division of governmental authority is always effective in preventing the concentration of power.

Which of the above assumptions is/are valid?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 only

- c) 1 and 4 only
- d) 2 and 4 only

Ans) b

Exp) Option b is the correct answer.

- Assumption 1: The passage implies that the principle of separation of powers faces challenges in real-world political systems, but it does not explicitly state that it is not applicable. Therefore, assumption 1 is incorrect.

- Assumption 2: The passage explicitly states that Realpolitik poses challenges to the effective implementation of the separation of powers. This assumption is directly supported by the content of the passage and is therefore valid.

- Assumption 3: The passage mentions institutional inertia and political polarization as factors that can hinder the effective application of the separation of powers. Thus, assumption 3 is not supported by the passage and is invalid.

- Assumption 4: The passage does not explicitly state that the division of governmental authority is always effective in preventing the concentration of power. Therefore, assumption 4 is not directly supported by the passage and is incorrect.