

**TEST IV
ENGLISH LANGUAGE**

176-188. Read the following interview and answer the given questions based on that. Some words have been printed in bold to help you locate them while answering some of the questions.

A pioneering new book, *Gender and Green Governance*, explores a central question: If women adequate representation of forestry institution, would make a difference to them the communities and forests as a national resource? Interview with the author.

Why has access to forests been such a conflict-ridden issue?

This is not surprising. Forests constitute not just community and national wealth, but global wealth. But for millions, forests are also critical for livelihoods and their daily lives.

Your first book, *Cold Hearths and Barren Slopes* (1986), was about forest. Is there an evolution of argument here?

Yes indeed. In *Cold Hearths and Barren Slopes*, I had argued that social forestry, with its down implementation and focus on commercial species, was neither 'social' nor 'forestry', and would protect neither forests nor village livelihoods. The answer, I argues, lay in allowing forest communities to manage local forests. Finally, in 1990, India launched the joint forest management programme and Nepal also started community forestry. So I decided to see for myself how community forestry was actually doing.

Between 1995 and 1999, I travelled extensively across India and Nepal and found a paradox. Forests were indeed becoming greener but women's problem of firewood shortages persisted and in many cases had become more acute. Also, despite their high stakes in forest, women continued to be largely excluded from forest management. I coined the term "participatory exclusions" to describe this. However, the current book is less about women's exclusion. I ask: What if women were present in forest governance? What difference would that make?

But has this question not been raised before?

Economists researching environment collective action have paid little attention to gender. Scholars from other disciplines focusing on gender and governance have been concerned

mainly with women's near absence from governance institutions. The presumption is that once women are present all good things will follow. But can we assume this? No. Rural women relationship with forest is complex.

On the one hand, their everyday dependence on forests for firewood, fodder, etc, creates a strong stake in conservation. On the other, the same dependence can compel them to extract heavily from forest. As one landless woman told me: "Of course, it hurts me to cut a green branch but what do I do if my children are hungry?" Taking an agnostic position, I decide to test varied propositions, controlling for other factors.

What did you find?

First, women's greater presence enhances their effective voice in decision-making. And there is a critical mass effect: If forest management groups have 25-33 per cent female members in their executive committees it significantly increases the likelihood of women making a particular difference. When present in sufficient number they are more likely to attend meetings and voice their concerns than landed women. So what matters is not just including more women, but more poor women.

Second, and unexpectedly, groups with more women typically made stricter forest use rules. Why is this the case? Mainly because they receive poorer forest from the forest department. To regenerate these they have to sacrifice their immediate needs. Women from household with some land have some fallback. But remarkably even in groups with more landless women, although extraction is higher, they still balance self-interest with conservation goals, when placed in decision-making positions.

Third, groups with more women outperform other groups in improving forest conditions, despite getting poorer forest. Involving women substantially improves protection and conflict resolution, helps the use of their knowledge of local biodiversity, and raises children's awareness about conservation.

176. What was author's view on "Social Forestry Scheme"?
- (1) A great success
 - (2) Beneficial for villagers
 - (3) Neither good nor bad
 - (4) Should have been implemented as 'top-down'
 - (5) None of these
177. Which of the following is one of the reasons of forest being a conflict-ridden issue?
- (1) Some countries have larger forest cover
 - (2) There is less awareness about global warming
 - (3) High dependence of many of forests
 - (4) Less representation of women
 - (5) Less representation of local women
178. The author is advocating inclusion of—
- (1) More landless women
 - (2) More landed women
 - (3) More women irrespective of their financial status
 - (4) Local people
 - (5) Younger women in the age group of 25-33 years
179. Which of the following best describes "participatory exclusion", as used in the interview?
- (1) Outside support
 - (2) Overdependence
 - (3) Benefitting without self interest

- (4) Contributing with profits
(5) None of these
180. In the second question the interviewer asked- 'Is more an evolution of argument here?' Which of the following best describes that?
- (1) From Barren to Greener slopes
(2) From local group to local groups with more women
(3) A fine balance between conservation and commercial forestry
(4) Too-down approach to Community forestry
(5) Participatory excision to Greener slopes
181. What percent of female members in the Executive Committee for Forest Management is being recommended by the author?
- (1) Less than 25% (2) More than 25%
(3) 100% (4) About 75%
(5) None of these
182. Why does author say, 'Rural women's relationship with forests is complex'?
- (1) Dependence forces them to extract and also have concern for conservation
(2) If they project forests, their livelihood is severely affected
(3) Poor women have been excluded from forest management
(4) They cannot be asked to restore forests which are critical for them
(5) Greener forests do not meet the requirement of firewood
183. Landless women, when in decision making role—
- (1) extract much more from forest
(2) improve their own financial status
(3) do not care for forest
(4) are able to need conservation objectives as well as their own interest
(5) fulfill their own interest at the cost of conservation goals
184. When more women are involved, which of the following also happens?
- (1) They get poorer forests
(2) They come to know about conservation needs
(3) Children become more aware about conservation
(4) They are able to devote more time to conversation
(5) They get a more comprehensive understanding of local biodiversity
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- 185-188. Choose the word/group of words which is most nearly the same in meaning of the word/group of words printed in bold.
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185. **controlling**
- (1) holding in check
(2) increasing
(3) decreasing
(4) passing
(5) ignoring
186. **paradox**
- (1) similarity (2) position
(3) anomaly (4) difference
(5) excuse
187. **acute**
- (1) accurate (2) severe
(3) dull (4) focused
(5) refined
188. **green**
- (1) colour (2) dried
(3) old (4) live
(5) big

189-193. Which of the phrases (1), (2), (3) and (4) given below each sentence should replace the word/phrase printed in bold in the sentence to make it grammatically correct? If the sentence is correct it is given and no correction is required, mark (5) as the answer.

189. The abduction and return of the local leader within twenty four hours on Wednesday has left some lose and that have been intriguing investigators probing the case.

- (1) left some loosened ending
- (2) been leaving some loosening ends
- (3) leave some lose ends
- (4) left some loose ends
- (5) No correction required

190. According to the investigator, the hammer used in the crime was the one who is used by security guards to sound the hourly bell on a metal plate while on duty.

- (1) are those ones which
- (2) was the one that
- (3) which one
- (4) is ones that
- (5) No correction required

191. The fraud comes at time when the unregulated microfinance industry is facing a crisis on its way of high interest rates and low repayment of loans.

- (1) because manner of
- (2) since ways are
- (3) by way of
- (4) in the way of
- (5) No correction required

192. Preliminary investigation revealed that the women and had committed suicide on account of her failed attempt to enter the country.

- (1) in place of
- (2) being depressed of
- (3) in belief of
- (4) reason being
- (5) No correction required

193. Frustrated families of the missing people have sought access to all documents and data concerning the search, and the inclusion of international experts in the inquiry.

- (1) have sought accessing
- (2) is seeking access
- (3) are seeking accessed
- (4) has sought accesses
- (5) No correction required

194-205. In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

With the announcement that he would donate Rs. 8.846 crore of his equity in the company of the philanthropic trust he controls, the founder and chairman of infotech giant Wipro Ltd., Azim Premji has set the (194) very high for other mega rich businessmen of the country. The 28th richest man in the world, and not have made a better and more sound (195) choice than this. His Azim Premji Foundation is already working in the rural areas of the country to improve the quality of education and is now in the process of setting up a university for the poor. This (196) will be a welcome addition to the kitty of a sector that has the capability to transform India but is badly handicapped due to the lack of adequate funding. Other IT majors Infosys, Mind Tree, TCS and HCL also support programmes that support social equity.

At a time when India's economic footprint of the global stage is rising, the (197) between the different strata of society has also been increasing. This is not a positive development and the underprivileged sections need to be equipped with life skills so that they too can be a part of the growth story. A very basic requirement of this life skills development is to educate them and make them employable. The fact that most of the heads of these IT majors are (198) first-generation entrepreneurs (199) that education, more than anything else, is a great leveler. At the same time, the improve economic conditions will also put up people into the middle-class bracket and make India a much more attractive market.

According to Forbes, which keeps a tab on the (200) of the rich and famous, India has 69 billionaires. Yet how many consider (201) as a priority when it comes to spending? Industry reports indicate that Indians spend about Rs. 30,000 crore a year on charitable (202) and this includes the money spent by companies on their corporate social responsibility programmes. This is not (203) and Indians, especially the corporate czars, have much more ability to give. In a foreword to Corporate Social responsibility in India, MS Swaminathan correctly says: "Just as good ecology is good business, good philanthropy will also be good business in the (204) term." Should the country institutionalise CSR inventions to deal (205) malnutrition, education, health, unemployment and poverty? The government would welcome a helping hand, wouldn't it?

194. (1) expectations (2) parameters
(3) status (4) bar
(5) task
195. (1) investment (2) profit
(3) decision (4) significant
(4) basic

196. (1) take (2) interest
(3) step (4) cause
(5) endowment
197. (1) status (2) income
(3) growth (4) system
(5) gap
198. (1) seldom (2) consider
(3) not (4) themselves
(5) promoting
199. (1) promotes (2) places
(3) proves (4) defy
(5) steps
200. (1) business (2) areas
(3) activities (4) purses
(5) life
201. (1) philanthropy (2) donations
(3) philosophy (4) spirituality
(5) helping
202. (1) types (2) causes
(3) trusts (4) donations
(5) costs
203. (1) enough (2) expected
(3) correct (4) less
(5) required
204. (1) financial (2) social
(3) long (4) final
(5) short
205. (1) against (2) with
(3) in (4) of
(5) off

206-210. Rearrange the following six sentences (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (F) in the proper sequence to form a meaningful paragraph; then answer the question given below them.

- (1) While the reference point for the former is the state, for the latter it's society.
- (2) India's 'strategic community' comprises two district circles with little overlap.

- (3) Consequently, mainstream strategists have an external orientation to their discourse, concentrating on high politics; the latter is more internal oriented.
- (4) The prescriptions too are understandably poles apart and thus, the state, to which both their commentary is directed, has to play balancer, and ends up being at the receiving end of criticism from both sides.
- (5) Out of the two, one can be termed the 'mainstream' and the other 'alternates'.
- (F) To further elaborate on the external and internal concept – while on is enamoured of India's rise and place in the global order, the other is more sensitive to its vulnerabilities and inadequacies.
206. Which of the following be the FOURTH sentence after arrangement?
 (1) E (2) D (3) C
 (4) B (5) A
207. Which of the following be the SIXTH sentence after arrangement?
 (1) A (2) B
 (3) C (4) D
 (5) E
208. Which of the following be the SENCOND sentence after arrangement?
 (1) E (2) D (3) C
 (4) B (5) A
209. Which of the following be the FIRST sentence after arrangement?
 (1) A (2) B (3) C
 (4) D (5) E
210. Which of the following be the THIRD sentence after arrangement?
- (1) A (2) B (3) C
 (4) D (5) F
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- 211-215. Each question below has two blanks, each blank indicating that something has been omitted. Choose the set of words for each blank which best fits are meaning of the sentence as a whole.
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211. The actress' _____ from a chilled-out girl of screen to an intense actor on screen in just a few minutes in _____ amazing.
 (1) change, improperly
 (2) revolution, just
 (3) transformation, simply
 (4) adjustment, really
 (5) renovation, truthfully
212. Considering the _____ of the city to chemical and industrial disasters, the State disaster management authority has decided to constitute an expert study group to analyze all possible threats and suggest. _____ to make the city 'disaster-resilient'.
 (1) vulnerability, measures
 (2) propensity, sketches
 (3) volatility, plans
 (4) regularity, preparations
 (5) instability, maps
213. Despit the collapse of efforts to legislate a climate bill, the country has _____ international negotiators it remains _____ to reducing carbon emissions over the next ten years.
 (1) entrusted, obligated
 (2) promised, averse
 (3) declared, ignorant
 (4) assured, committed
 (5) pledged, attentive
214. _____ by other singers and musicians, the singer sang his heart

- out and even _____ the young newcomers during their act.
- (1) Helped, smiled
 (2) Accompanied, cheered
 (3) Created, judged
 (4) Stopped, applauded
 (5) Assisted, greeted
215. The health officials were told to _____ the medical practitioners about the treatment and, immediate medical _____ to the given to swine flu patients.
- (1) inform, assistance
 (2) enlist, backing
 (3) dissuade, aid
 (4) apprise, emergency
 (5) encourage, help
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- 216-225. Reach each sentence to find out whether there is any grammatical error or idiomatic error in it. The error, if any, will be in one part of the sentence. The number of that part is the answer. If there is no error, the answer (5). (Ignore errors of punctuation, if any.)
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216. The celebration continued / through the evening as more / and more friends joins / in the fun and frolic. No error
- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
217. The actress believes in / being fit and feels that there / are too much hype around size / in the entertainment world.
- (1) (2) (3) (4)
- No error
218. While the actress wins fans with / her on screen fireworks, off screen, it's her /
- down-to-earth attitude and easy-going manner / that wins her friends. No error
- (3) (4) (5)
219. Even though the exchange attract / he attention of all those present at / the police station, the inspector continued / his tirade against the girl. No error
- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
220. The market continues to be positive / and in the next quarter we expected / the trend to continue with / one onset of the festive season. No error
- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
221. The Indian team cannot win the series / and even pulling off a draw could / be a touch proposition with / its lead bowlers not playing. No error
- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)
222. With this initiative, the corporation / hopes to assure the public that / it is confident of providing good service / and renewing their faith with the public transport system. No error
- (1) (2) (3) (4) (5)

223. The games scheduled to be held in the
 (1)
 State / have been plunged into crisis just
 (2)
 two months prior the / opening ceremony
 (3)
 by allegations of corruption, / shoddy
 workmanship and delays in handing
 (4)
 over venues. No error
 (5)
224. The sole idea behind / conducting such
 (1) (2)
 programmes / is to create awareness /
 (3)
 among young minds for our culture.
 (4)
 No error
 (5)
225. The reports prompted the chairman of /
 (1)
 the organising committee to address a
 (2)
 hurried press conference / where he
 reprimanded the media / for conducting
 (3) (4)
 a "prejudiced campaign. No error
 (5)

ANSWERS

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181.(5)	182.(1)	183.(4)	184.(3)	185.(1)	186.(3)	187.(2)	188.(4)	189.(4)	190.(2)
191.(3)	192.(2)	193.(5)	194.(4)	195.(1)	196.(5)	197.(5)	198.(4)	199.(3)	200.(4)
201.(1)	202.(2)	203.(1)	204.(3)	205.(2)	206.(3)	207.(4)	208.(1)	209.(2)	210.(1)
211.(3)	212.(1)	213.(4)	214.(2)	215.(1)	216.(3)	217.(3)	218.(5)	219.(1)	220.(2)
221.(5)	222.(4)	223.(5)	224.(4)	225.(5)					