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Passage 01



Directions: In this section, you have one short passages. Each passage, you will find some questions based on the passage. Read the passage carefully and answer the questions based on it. You are required to select your answers based on the contents of the passage and the opinion of the author only.



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Question 1.

According to the passage, what is the primary purpose of the government's policy initiatives?

- (a) To reduce environmental degradation
- (b) To promote industrial growth and improve service delivery
- (c) To decrease income inequality
- (d) To increase unemployment rates

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Question 2.

In the context of the passage, what does the term 'robust' most nearly mean?

- (a) Fragile
- (b) Weak
- (c) Strong
- (d) Insignificant

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Question 3.

The passage concludes that:

- (a) Economic growth has completely resolved social disparities.
- (b) Government policies have been universally accepted without criticism.
- (c) There is an ongoing debate about balancing economic growth with social equity and sustainability.
- (d) Environmental concerns have been fully addressed by recent policies.

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Question 4.

According to the passage, which of the following has been adversely affected despite economic growth?

- (a) Global market integration
- (b) Industrial growth
- (c) Social disparities and environmental concerns
- (d) Digitalization efforts

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Question 5.

Which of the following best describes the author's perspective in the passage?

- (a) Uncritical endorsement of government policies
- (b) Complete rejection of economic growth benefits
- (c) Acknowledgment of economic progress with a call for addressing social and environmental issues
- (d) Indifference towards issues of social equity and sustainability

Answer & Explanation

1. **Answer:** B

Explanation: The passage states that the government's policy initiatives, such as the 'Make in India' campaign and digitalization efforts, aim to foster industrial growth and enhance service delivery. While reducing income inequality and environmental degradation may be indirect goals, the primary focus is on industrial and service sector improvements.

2. **Answer:** C

Explanation: 'Robust' typically means strong or vigorous. In the passage, it describes India's economic growth as strong and substantial.

3. **Answer:** C

Explanation: The passage mentions that the debate continues on how to balance economic growth with social equity and sustainability, indicating that this is the concluding thought.

4. **Answer:** C

Explanation: The passage notes that challenges such as income inequality (a social disparity) and environmental degradation persist despite economic growth, indicating these areas are adversely affected.

5. **Answer:** C

Explanation: The author acknowledges the economic progress made through government initiatives but also highlights the need to address persisting social disparities and environmental concerns, indicating a balanced perspective.