

Directions (Q. No. 1-2) : Read the following passages and answer the questions that follow each passage. Your answers to these questions should be based on the passages only.

Passage-1

Reservation came with the caveat that its usefulness and validity would be examined every few years. However, since the inception of class-based quotas, the term has morphed to 'caste-based' quotas. At one time, class may have been synonymous with caste. This is not the case any longer. But it doesn't suit any politician, or any government, to acknowledge this, since vote bank politics suggest that it is wise to keep communities, rather than classes, happy. There are other ways of appealing to the economically backward, after all. The thought behind reservation was that those who come from families which have been educated for generations have an unfair advantage over those who are first-generation learners. There is some credence to this idea. But in exploiting the political mileage that this allowed, our parties have ensured that the principle is all but lost. When you have economically well-off communities, which have been educated for generations, fighting in the Supreme Court for the removal of the 'creamy layer' rider, you know that there is something very wrong about the approach we have taken to reservation.

1. According to the passage which of the following option is correct about reservation?

1. The provision for the validity of reservation is examined every few year.
 2. It is also termed as class based quotas.
 3. It is perpetuating due to vote bank politics.
 4. It is based on educational and economic backwardness
- (a) 1 only
(b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 4 only
(d) All of the above

Passage 2

Many persons have been attracted towards smuggling due to huge profits involved in this anti-national activity. Some of them became millionaires overnights. India as a vast coastline both on the East and West Coast. It has been a heaven for smugglers who have been carrying on their activities

with great impunity. There is no doubt that from time to time certain seizures were made by the enforcement authorities, during raids and ambush but even allowing these losses, the smugglers made huge profits.

2. The passage best supports the statement that

- (a) smuggling hampers the economic development of a nation
(b) smuggling needs to be curbed
(c) Authorities are taking strict measures to curb smuggling
(d) smuggling is fast increasing in our country owing to the quick profit it entails.

3. Three wheels making 6, 10, 15 revolutions in a minute start with a certain point in their circumference downwards. After how long will they first come all together again in the same position?

- (a) 5 seconds
(b) 7 seconds
(c) 9 seconds
(d) 10 seconds

4. In the following question, there is some relationship between the figures. From the answer figures, pick out the figure which most appropriately completes the series.

