

**JK BANK**  
**Cloze Test**

**Directions (1-10):** In the following-passage there are blanks each of -which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each live words are suggested one of which fits the blank appropriate. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

The settlement in the Kodaikanal mercury poisoning case, which come (1) \_\_\_\_\_ light 15 years ago after the release of contaminated waste materials into the environment, (2) \_\_\_\_\_ partial closure to a long-running struggle (3) \_\_\_\_\_ the community and a major industrial corporation. Hindustan Unilever Limited has come to an agreement with 591 former workers and their families (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the payment of ex gratia mounts (5) \_\_\_\_\_ livelihood and skill enhancement. The Madras High Court has taken the settlement on record, and the disbursal of the fund should bring some succour to those who suffered various health setbacks that they believe are related to mercury exposure. The closure is the culmination of a sustained campaign by environmental activists and- concerned citizens for these 15 years, which got - global attention after a rap song on the plight of those (6) \_\_\_\_\_ went viral on the Internet. The HUL case highlights the often neglected questions of occupational health interests of workers, and poor diligence shown (7) \_\_\_\_\_ government in allowing industries that handle toxic materials without satisfactory management processes. Many workers in Kodaikanal were claiming for over a decade that they fell ill after working in the thermometer factory, but received little government support. That is unsurprising, considering (8) \_\_\_\_\_ occupational health receives low priority in policymaking, while environmental concerns are counterposed (9) \_\_\_\_\_ rapid growth of industry as an obstacle. The Kodaikanal story should convince Environment Minister Prakash. Javadekar, who said his Ministry would no longer be a “roadblock”, that a culture of superficiality in making impact assessments is (10) \_\_\_\_\_ even counterproductive.

1. (a) in (b) to (c) under (d) into (e) on
2. (a) brings (b) brought (c) bring (d) bringing (e) bought
3. (a) of (b) between (c) among (d) against (e) with
4. (a) with (b) have (c) for (d) had (e) from
5. (a) towards (b) to (c) of (d) for (e) in
6. (a) affect (b) affected (c) effect (d) effected (e) effects
7. (a) to (b) in (c) on (d) by (e) on
8. (a) that (b) the (c) about (d) of (e) as
9. (a) of (b) by (c) on (d) in (e) to
10. (a) suitable (b) suited (c) unsuited (d) unsuitable (e) sufficient

### Solutions: Cloze Test

1. (b); 'come to light' is correct phrasal usage.  
**come to light:** make or become widely known or evident.
2. (a); The given passage is in present tense. Hence present form of verb should be used again, the subject here is 'partial closure to a long-running struggle', which is singular, hence, 'brings' is correct answer.
3. (b); **between** is the correct answer.  
We use 'between' to refer to two things which are clearly separated.  
We use 'among' to talk about things (more than two) which are not clearly separated because they are part of a group or crowd or mass of objects 'of', 'against' and 'with' do not go with the meaning of the passage.
4. (c); **Look at the usages of the following options:**  
**For:** to denote the reason  
**With:** including  
'had' and 'have' do not go with the meaning of the passage. Hence, 'for' is the correct answer.
5. (a); **towards** is the correct answer
6. (b); **Look at the meaning of the following options**  
**Affect:** To have an influence on someone or something, or to cause a change in someone or something.  
**Effect:** The result of a particular influence.  
Again, the usage of the word 'got' in the sentence shows that the given sentence is in past tense.  
Hence, past participle of 'affect' should be used.
7. (d), 'shown by' is the correct usage. Since, 'by' is used to show the person or thing that does something
8. (a); As per the meaning of the sentence, the blank should be filled by a conjunction, Hence, 'the' cannot be used. Also, the word 'consider' is not followed by any preposition. Hence, 'that' is correct answer.
9. (e); 'Counterposed to' is the correct phrasal use.  
**Counterposed:** to set against or in opposition to.
10. (d); As per the meaning of the sentence the blank should be filled with an adjective. Hence, 'suited' and 'unsuited' cannot be the answer. Again the usage of the word 'counterproductive' shows that the sentence is in negative sense. Therefore, 'unsuitable' is the most suitable word.