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Correct Option (official answer key)

PART-A (General Intelligence and Reasoning)

Q.No: 1	The Mumbai seminar was 4 days after the Ahmedabad seminar. The Pune seminar was 1 day before the Mumbai seminar. If the Ahmedabad seminar was held on 15^{th} July, when was the Pune seminar?
	17^{th} July
	18^{th} July
	19^{th} July
	20^{th} July

Q.No: 2	If 19 → 91, 82 → 28, then 75 → ?
	57
	58
	65
	75

Q.No: 3	**Statement:** The Reserve Bank has mandated that banks shall not process any high-value interbank transactions through manual channels beyond business hours, and such transactions shall only be facilitated via authorized electronic platforms. **Conclusions:** I. High-value interbank transactions are permissible outside business hours if routed through approved digital systems. II. Manual processing of large interbank transactions is prohibited entirely, irrespective of timing.
	Neither conclusion I nor II follows
	Both conclusion I and II follow
	Only conclusion I follows
	Only conclusion II follows

Q.No: 4	The average age of 3 friends is 27. If a new friend joins, the average becomes 28. What is the age of the new friend?
	29
	30
	31
	32

Q.No: 5	3 people can do a job in 12 days. How many people are needed to finish it in 4 days?
	6
	8
	9
	12

Q.No: 6	Complete the pattern: **24, 16, 48, 32, 96**
	100
	64
	78
	36

Q.No: 7	Read the following statement carefully and identify the action that follows. Statement: More young people are addicted to social media. Course of Action: 1. Promote awareness about digital wellness. 2. Ban all social media platforms.
	Only 1
	Only 2
	Both follow
	Neither follows

Q.No: 8	How many centres were there if the roll numbers are: **223456, 223478, 224123, 225987, 223999**
	1
	2
	3
	4

Q.No: 9	Identify the number that does not belong to the group:
	1441
	2197
	2744
	3375

Q.No: 10	Direction: Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below. In a soft toy shop, eight boxes are kept in the form of a stack. The boxes are numbered in ascending order from 1 to 8 such that the topmost box is numbered as 1 while the bottom-most box is numbered as 8. Each box contains different soft toys – Mickey Mouse, Dog, Rabbit, Teddy Bear, Whale, Tiger, Monkey, and Duck. The box of Teddy bear is kept at the top. There are four boxes between the box of Teddy bear and the box of Duck. The box of Monkey is kept between the box of Rabbit and box number 6. Neither the box of Dog nor the box of Rabbit is kept at the bottom. The box of Whale is kept above the box of Tiger, which is kept above the box of Rabbit. Which soft toy does box number 2 contain?

	Whale
	Rabbit
	Tiger
	Monkey

Q.No: 11	Direction: Study the following information carefully to answer the given questions: If 'A @ B' means 'B is a brother of A' If 'A # B' means 'B is the mother of A' If 'A % B' means 'B is the father of A' If 'A & B' means 'B is a sister of A' If 'R # C % V & X' is given, then who among the following is a child of C?
	R
	X
	V
	Both R and X

Q.No: 12	Rearrange the letters of that word, written in capital letters, to form the correct word. The chef decided to **NTERAIMA** the succulent steak for several hours to enhance its flavor.
	MARTINE
	REMINAT
	MARINATE
	RAIMENT

Q.No: 13	Find the number that best completes the analogy. **D : 32 :: J : ?**
	70
	72
	80
	76

Q.No: 14	Choose the correct option to complete the series. Day : Night :: Victory : ?
	Success
	Celebration
	Triumph
■	Defeat

Q.No: 15	Choose the correct option to complete the series. Citrus : Lemon :: Rosaceae: ?
	Hibiscus
	Mango
■	Pear
	Cleopatra

Q.No: 16	In the following question, select the related word from the given alternatives. WORD: ULMW:: PLAY: ?
	NOUB
	OGVR
	MIU
■	NIVR

Q.No: 17	Which of the following is different from the rest?
	4
	16
■	25
	36

Q.No: 18	Which meaningful word can be formed from the letters “NOMRECEY”?
	NOMERCY
	CEROMNY
■	CEREMONY
	NOMERECY

Q.No: 19	Find the 10th term of the AP. 2.5, 3.0, 3.5, ...
	6.5
■	7.0
	6.0
	5.5

Q.No: 20	If PLANT is coded as QMBOU, how is QMBOU coded?
	RNCOV
	RNBOU
■	RNCPV
	QMBOV

Q.No: 21	In a certain code language, "INDEPENDENCE" is written as "JNEEQEODFNDE". How will "REPRESENTATION" be written?
■	SEQRFSFNUAUIPN
	SEQRSFFNUAUIPN

	SEQRFSNAUFUIPN
	SEQRSFFNUAIUPN

Q.No: 22	In the following question, a matrix of numbers is given. These numbers follow a certain pattern either row-wise or column-wise. Identify this pattern and choose the missing number accordingly. 22 44 36 16 28 24 6 16 12 12 32 ?
	18
	34
	24
	40

Q.No: 23	If M + N means M is the husband of N; M - N means M is the sister of N; M * N means M is the son of N, what does A * B - C + D mean?
	A is the son of C's husband.
	A is the brother of C.
	A is the grandson of D.
	A is the nephew of C.

Q.No: 24	You have a brilliant subordinate who produces the highest quality work in the office. However, their internal need for perfection is so high that they regularly miss project deadlines by days, causing the entire department to scramble. When you point this out, they break down, saying their self-worth is entirely tied to the "perfection" of their output and that any compromise feels like a “personal failure.” What is the most structurally sound intervention?
	Tell them that they must stop being a perfectionist or they will be fired, as business requires speed.
	Acknowledge their perfectionism and define realistic quality thresholds for each project stage.
	Reduce their workload by 50% so they have more time to perfect the few tasks they do receive.
	Stop giving them any deadlines so they can work at their own pace without stress.

Q.No: 25	To manage the increasing energy demand in the city, the local council has proposed providing substantial subsidies to residents who install solar panels on their rooftops. Which of the following assumptions underlies the argument for providing these subsidies?
	Providing financial incentives for solar adoption is the only way to meet future energy demands.
	The current infrastructure is entirely unable to support the city's growing energy consumption.
	Financial costs are a significant barrier to residents adopting solar technology.
	Solar panels installed on residential rooftops will eliminate the need for power plants.

PART-B (General Awareness)

Q.No: 26	Which high-level global metric predominantly derives its evaluation of subjective well-being from data collected through the Gallup World Poll?
	World Happiness Index
	Global Competitiveness Index
	Environmental Performance Index
	Human Development Index

Q.No: 27	What is a key goal of the Human Development Index (HDI)?
	To shift the focus from solely economic development to human development.
	To only measure economic growth.
	To only measure military strength.
	To only measure environmental impact.

Q.No: 28	How many categories does the USA Air Quality Index (AQI) use to classify air quality?
	4
	5
	6
	8

Q.No: 29	Which of the following satellites is launched by ISRO for disaster management and natural resource monitoring?
	Astrosat
	GSAT
	RISAT
	Cartosat

Q.No: 30	Which technology is ISRO testing through the RLV-TD project?
	Robotic lunar excavation
	Underwater satellite deployment
	Deep space communication
	Reusable space launch vehicles

Q.No: 31	The construction of Taj Mahal was completed in which year?
	1631
	1643
	1653
	1666

Q.No: 32	What is a key aspect of the Quad's (Quadrilateral Security Dialogue) approach to regional security?
	Forming a formal military alliance
	Promoting multilateral cooperation
	Isolating regional powers
	Creating exclusive trade blocs

Q.No: 33	How many points are awarded for a successful "touchdown" in American Football?
	3
	5
	6
	7

Q.No: 34	Which part of early Gandhara art shows that it was influenced by Greek art styles?
	Symbolic representation of Buddha through footprints
	Use of terracotta in religious art
	Depiction of the Buddha with draped robe and wavy hair
	Use of floral capitals and bell-shaped domes

Q.No: 35	Who won the 1976 Booker Prize for "Heat and Dust," a novel that juxtaposes colonial India with postcolonial experiences?
	Salman Rushdie
	J.G. Farrell
	Ruth Prawer Jhabvala
	Anita Desai

Q.No: 36	Which book by Vikram Chandra won the Commonwealth Writers' Prize for Best First Book in 1996?
	Love and Longing in Bombay
	Sacred Games
	Red Earth and Pouring Rain
	The Gypsy Goddess

Q.No: 37	The Twenty-Point Programme (TPP), introduced during the _____ Five-Year Plan.
	6th
	7th
	8th
	5th

Q.No: 38	The Teej Festival marks the arrival of which season in India?
	Summer
	Spring
	Monsoon
	Winter

Q.No: 39	The introduction of English as the medium of instruction in Indian schools was largely a result of the recommendations made by:
	The Hunter Commission
	The Wood's Despatch
	The Sadler Commission
	The Sargent Scheme

Q.No: 40	Which Indian cricket stadium hosted the 2023 ICC World Cup final?
	Wankhede Stadium
	M. Chinnaswamy Stadium
	Narendra Modi Stadium
	Eden Gardens

Q.No: 41	Which of the following women freedom fighters was known as the 'Agni of India'?
	Durgawati Devi
	Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay
	Captain Lakshmi Sehgal
	Usha Mehta

Q.No: 42	Regarding pulse production in India, consider the following statements. 1. Black gram can be cultivated as both kharif and Rabi crops. 2. Green gram alone accounts for nearly half of pulse production. 3. In the last three decades, while the production of Kharif pulses has increased, the production of Rabi pulses has decreased. Which of the statements given above is/are CORRECT?
	1 only
	2 and 3 only
	2 only
	1 and 2 only

Q.No: 43	What is the major health risk associated with long-term use of anabolic steroids by athletes?
	Increased bone thickness and strength
	Severe dehydration and fluid loss
	Hormonal imbalance and organ damage
	Better immunity and faster recovery

Q.No: 44	The doctrine of **Basic Structure** of the Constitution was propounded in which case and relates to which Article?
	Kesavananda Bharati Case; Article 368
	Golaknath Case; Article 21
	Maneka Gandhi Case; Article 14
	Minerva Mills Case; Article 356

Q.No: 45	**Arrange the following developments in federal structure chronologically:** 1. Formation of Inter-State Council 2. 73rd Constitutional Amendment 3. GST Council formation
	1-2-3

	3-2-1
	2-3-1
	1-3-2

Q.No: 46	What does the term "astheno" mean in the context of the Earth's mantle?
	Strong
	Weak
	Solid
	Molten

Q.No: 47	Consider the following statements about the stratosphere: 1. Temperature increases in the lower part of the stratosphere due to the presence of methane gas. 2. The ozone layer absorbs solar radiation, leading to a rise in temperature with altitude in this layer. Which of the statements above is/are **correct**?
	Only 1
	Only 2
	Both 1 and 2 are correct
	Neither 1 nor 2 is correct

Q.No: 48	Which aspect of agriculture witnessed a decline after the economic reforms of 1991?
✓	Public investment in agricultural infrastructure
	Private investment in agricultural development
	Agricultural exports in international markets
	Production of commercial agricultural crops

Q.No: 49	One mole of an ideal gas undergoes a reversible isothermal expansion from 10 L(liter) to 20 L (liter) at a constant temperature of 300 K (kelvin). What is the work done by the gas, approximately?
	0 (joule)
	700 (joule)
	3500 (joule)
✓	1700 (joule)

Q.No: 50	Which process is most directly responsible for the majority of cancer-related deaths?
	Increased local proliferation of tumor cells
	Loss of cell cycle checkpoints in dividing cells

	Formation of metastases in distant organs
	Formation of benign tumor masses in primary tissue

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PART-C (Quantitative Aptitude)

Q.No: 51	A sum of money amounts to Rs. 825 in 3 years and to Rs. 950 in 4 years at some rate of simple interest. The sum is:
	400/-
	410/-
	450/-
	550/-

Q.No: 52	A toy is in the form of a hemisphere surmounted by a cone. The radius of the hemisphere is 3 cm and the cone's height is 4 cm. Find the total volume of the toy (use π≈3.14).
	$113.04cm^3$
	$94.2cm^3$
	$188.4cm^3$
	$62.8cm^3$

Q.No: 53	Solve:$(x+2)^2-(x-2)^2$
	8x
	2x+4
	10x
	x^2

Q.No: 54	If the diameter of a circle is 28 cm, then its area is:
	154 cm^2
	616 cm^2
	308 cm^2
	484 cm^2

Q.No: 55	If tanA + cotA = 2 and A is an acute angle, find the value of $\tan^4 A + \cot^4 A$.
	2
	20
	22
	24

Q.No: 56	A cone has a height of 8 cm and a slant height of 10 cm. What is the volume of the cone?
	$301.71 cm^3$
	$304 cm^3$
	$305.75 cm^3$
	$308.76 cm^3$

Q.No: 57	A pyramid has a rectangular base with dimensions 6 cm by 8 cm. If the height of the pyramid is 1.5 times the longer side of the base, calculate the volume of the pyramid.
	292 cm^3
	262 cm^3
	252 cm^3
	192 cm^3

Q.No: 58	What is the distance between points A(2, 3) and B(5, 7)?
	4 units
	6 units
	7 units
	5 units

Q.No: 59	In △ABC, a line DE is drawn parallel to BC, intersecting AB at D and AC at E. If AD=3 cm, DB=2 cm, and DE=4 cm, what is the length of BC?
	5 cm
	6 cm
	$\frac{3}{20}$ cm
	$\frac{20}{3}$ cm

Q.No: 60	If $x = 1.5$ and $y = 0.5$, find the value of $\frac{x^3-y^3}{x^2+xy+y^2} + \frac{x^3+y^3}{x^2-xy+y^2}$.
	1
	3
	2
	4

Q.No: 61	A and B can complete a piece of work in 15 days and 20 days respectively. They work on alternate days, starting with A. In how many days will the work be completed?
	12 days
	15 days
	25 days

	17 days

Q.No: 62	An amount of ₹33,630 is distributed among A, B, and C. The ratio of A's share to B's share is 3: 7, and the ratio of B's share to C's share is 6: 5. Find the amount of money received by B.
	₹13,290
	₹14,868
	₹15,327
	₹16,409

Q.No: 63	In a company, A is a working partner, and B is a sleeping partner. The investment of A is ₹12,000, and that of B is ₹20,000. The percentage of management charge is 10% of the total gain to be received by A. The total gain is ₹9,600. What is the total gain of A?
	₹3,240
	₹3,600
	₹4,140
	₹4,200

Q.No: 64	In an election, 10% of the voters did not vote, while 150 votes were found to be invalid. There were only two candidates. The winner secured 55% of the total voters and defeated the opponent by 1100 votes. Find the total number of voters.
	5360
	6230
	3440
	4750

Q.No: 65	A hexagon is drawn inside a circle with a radius of 21 cm. Determine the area of the hexagon.
	$611.5\sqrt{9}\ cm^2$
	$661.5\sqrt{3}\ cm^2$
	$621.5\sqrt{7}\ cm^2$
	$641.5\sqrt{3}\ cm^2$

Q.No: 66	A dealer sold two sets of headphones for ₹990 each. On one he gained 10% and on the other he lost 10%. Find the total loss or gain percentage.
	1% gain
	1% loss

	2% loss
	No loss or gain

Q.No: 67	A laptop has a marked price of ₹80,000. It is sold after giving successive discounts of 15%, 20% and 10%. Find the selling price.
	₹54,400
	₹47,620
	₹50,240
	₹48,960

Q.No: 68	If $\sin A + \cos A = \frac{5}{4}$, then find the value of $\tan A + \cot A$.
	$\frac{32}{9}$
	$\frac{25}{16}$
	$\frac{9}{32}$
	$\frac{16}{25}$

Q.No: 69	If $\sqrt{2} = 1.414$, then find the value of $\frac{4+\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$.
	2.124
	2.342
	3.167
	3.828

Q.No: 70	If $x + \frac{1}{x} = 3\sqrt{2}$, then find the value of $\frac{x}{x^2-1}$.
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{14}}$
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{12}}$
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{18}}$
	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{19}}$

Q.No: 71	In a circle of radius 61 cm, two equal parallel chords lie on opposite sides of the centre. The distance between the chords is 22 cm. Find the length of each chord.
	30 cm

	60 cm
	90 cm
	120 cm

Q.No: 72	A tangent is drawn from external point Q to a circle having a centre O, touching at T. OT = 6 cm and OQ = 10 cm. What is the area of triangle OTQ?
	14 cm^2
	18 cm^2
	24 cm^2
	28 cm^2

Q.No: 73	Arcs of two circles with radii 15 cm and 20 cm subtend angles of 60° and 45° at their respective centres. What is the ratio of their arc lengths?
	1:2
	3:1
	1:1
	2:3

Q.No: 74	Two circles with radii 5 cm and 3 cm have their centers separated by a distance of d cm. If the length of their direct common tangent is exactly twice the length of their transverse common tangent, find the value of d^2.
	84 cm
	79 cm
	51 cm
	105 cm

Q.No: 75	A vessel contains 90 litres of a mixture of milk and water in the ratio 8:7. How many litres of the mixture should be removed and replaced with pure water so that the ratio of milk to water in the resulting mixture becomes 4:5?
	15 litres
	12 litres
	6 litres
	9 litres

PART-D (English Comprehension)

Q.No: 76	Fill in the blank with the correctly spelt word. The speaker's _____ tone alienated many listeners during the debate.
✓	supercilious
	supercillious
	supercileous
	suppercillious

Q.No: 77	Fill in the blank with the correctly spelt word. The scientist maintained _____ even when her theory was harshly criticized.
	equanamity
✓	equanimity
	equinimity
	equinammity

Q.No: 78	Which of the following is the correct spelling of the word?
✓	Logorrhoea
	Logorhoea
	Loggorrhoea

	Loggorrhea

Q.No: 79	The Indian government has appointed a new diplomat to head the official residence and office representing India in France. What is the correct one-word substitute for “the official residence and office representing India in France”?
	Consulate
	Embassy
	High Commission
	Chancery

Q.No: 80	Choose the correct active form of the given sentence. Tomorrow, two hours of free time will be obtained by me.
	Tomorrow, I will obtain two hours of free time.
	Yesterday I obtained two hours of free time.
	I am obtaining two hours of free time today.
	I had obtained two hours of free time yesterday.

Q.No: 81	Complete the sentence in indirect speech. "Have you submitted the assignment yet?" the teacher asked. The teacher asked me _____ the assignment yet.
	if I submit

	whether I had submitted
	if I have submitted
	whether had I submitted

Q.No: 82	Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order. As the 2024 Paris Olympics approached, P. raising concerns over diplomatic boycotts and the potential exclusion of certain nations, Q. global geopolitical tensions, including conflicts in Eastern Europe and trade disputes among superpowers, R. while the International Olympic Committee attempted to maintain neutrality and ensure an inclusive competition S. cast a shadow over the event's spirit of international unity and sportsmanship,
	PSQR
	SRQP
	RSPQ
	QSPR

Q.No: 83	Rearrange the parts of the sentence in the correct order. In response to persistent inflationary pressures, P. against the risk of prolonged stagnation Q. restrictive monetary policies were implemented, R. by raising interest rates and reducing liquidity S. forcing central banks to balance economic growth
	PRQS
	QSRP
	SQPR
	RPSQ

Q.No: 84	Improve the sentence by selecting the appropriate preposition from the following options. She received a gift ____her best friend.
	on
	from
	of
	in

Q.No: 85	**Which of the given options arranges the following sentences in the most logical sequence to form a meaningful paragraph?** 1. This led to the development of groundbreaking theories such as Heisenberg's uncertainty principle and Schrödinger's wave equation. 2. In the early 20th century, physicists realized that classical mechanics could not explain certain atomic and subatomic phenomena. 3. Quantum mechanics revolutionized technology, enabling advancements in semiconductors, lasers, and quantum computing. 4. Scientists like Max Planck and Albert Einstein introduced the idea that energy is quantized, laying the foundation for quantum mechanics. 5. Despite its success, the theory remains counterintuitive, challenging our understanding of reality at the fundamental level.
	2-4-1-3-5
	3-1-4-2-5
	1-3-4-2-5
	3-2-5-4-1

Q.No: 86	Which of the following pairs of homonyms can be used to fill in the blanks most suitably? He had to _____ his brains trying to remember how he came to be on the shore strewn with _____ and driftwood.
	wrack, rack
	rack, rack
	rack, wrack
	wrack, wrack

Q.No: 87	Choose the correct idiom for the word highlighted in bold. "Mrs. Robinson has three children to support, and she doesn't make very much money at her job. She is barely **keeping her head above water.**"
	Struggling to survive financially
	Learning how to swim
	Feeling relaxed and stress-free
	Living in a house near the water

Q.No: 88	Read the passage and answer the questions: In contemporary professional environments, workplace stress has emerged as a pervasive and insidious phenomenon, often undermining both organizational efficiency and employee well-being. Far from being a mere by product of demanding schedules, chronic occupational stress is frequently rooted in deeper systemic issues such as unrealistic expectations, inadequate support structures, and a pervasive culture of constant connectivity. The relentless pursuit of productivity, amplified by technological advancements that blur the boundaries between personal and professional spheres, has exacerbated employees' sense of perpetual obligation. Left unchecked, prolonged exposure to high-stress environments can precipitate a range of deleterious outcomes, including burnout, diminished cognitive functioning, and even serious physical health conditions like hypertension and cardiovascular disease. Organizations that fail to recognize and address the underlying causes of stress not only risk elevated turnover rates but also compromise innovation, morale, and overall competitiveness. Counteracting workplace stress demands a multi-faceted approach that transcends superficial interventions such as temporary wellness programs or occasional mindfulness workshops. Instead, it requires a fundamental re-evaluation of work design, leadership styles, and organizational priorities. Encouraging open dialogue about mental health, instituting flexible work arrangements, and fostering a culture that genuinely values work-life balance are pivotal steps toward cultivating a more sustainable and humane professional landscape. **Which of the following is the correct tense used in the sentence:** "Left unchecked, prolonged exposure to high-stress environments can precipitate a range of deleterious outcomes..."?
	Past Perfect
	Present Simple
	Future Perfect
	Present Conditional

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	It is the main subject of the sentence.

	It is an introductory phrase modifying the main clause.
	It is a dependent clause providing a condition.
	It is a direct object of the verb.

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	Open and obvious
	Harmless and fleeting
	Gradually harmful and subtle
	Quickly destructive and visible

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	Advantageous
	Harmful
	Temporary
	Curious

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	They overly emphasize work-life balance.

	They rely on short-term or surface-level solutions.
	They provide excessive flexibility, causing laziness.
	They hire too many inexperienced employees.

Q.No: 93	Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word: **ESOTERIC**
	Obscure
	Popular
	Simple
	Common

Q.No: 94	Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. **Excoriate**
	Praise
	Berate
	Condemn
	Rebuke

Q.No: 95	Choose the correct meaning of idiom: **Beard the lion in his den**
	Hide from danger
	Flatter a powerful person

	Feed captive animals
	Confront someone powerful on their own ground

Q.No: 96	Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word. **Crepuscular**
	Dusk
	Diurnal
	Dim
	Twilight

Q.No: 97	**Select the correct option:** Despite the scholar's penchant for convoluted prose, his central thesis emerged with surprising ___ in the concluding chapter.
	lucidity
	opacity
	perversity
	tenacity

Q.No: 98	**Change the following from active to passive:** They ought to clean the park.
	The park ought to clean.
	The park ought to be cleaned.

	The park ought be cleaned.
	The park ought to have been cleaned.

Q.No: 99	**Find the part of the sentence that contains an error:** It is high time the minister (1)/ clarifies his stance on the matter (2)/ rather than leaving it (3)/ open to public speculation. (4)
	(1)
	(2)
	(3)
	(4)

Q.No: 100	**Convert the sentence provided below from its passive voice structure to an active voice structure:** The decision is not expected to be reversed by the board despite ongoing protests.
	Ongoing protests will force the board to reverse the decision.
	The board is not expected to reverse the decision despite ongoing protests.
	It is not expected that the board protests against the decision.
	Protesters expect the board not to reverse the decision.