AIMCAT 1801 Analysis

VARC

The VARC section of AIMCAT1801 would definitely have tested the nerves of many a student to a good extent. With both the areas viz., VA & RC on the higher side of difficulty, the test takers should have handled this section with extra caution. Natural to assume that the number of attempts would also have gone down for many of the students. However, at the same time if somebody could keep calm, remain focussed and had concentrated on the accuracy levels, then this would have paid rich dividends in this section.

Talking about the RC area, there were three passages with six questions each and two with three questions each, adding up to 24 questions. The number of words were in the range 380 to 700. The passages were from varied topics viz., Architecture - Historical perspective, Economics, Linguistic Philosophy, Psychology, World Economics. Somebody who has a good amount of exposure in terms of varied readings,, would have found the RC area as an interesting one.

The Verbal ability part of the paper had 10 questions with the distribution as - Para Jumbles (3 questions - odd one out), Para Jumbles (3 questions - 5 sentences), Upstream-downstream (1 question), Summary based (2 questions), Fill in the blank (1 question).

In terms of difficulty, question number 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, 24, 25, 28, 31 were of medium difficulty level with the rest under difficult or very difficult category.

PERCENTILE	MARKS
99	68
95	55
90	48
85	43

Section II - DATA INTERPRETATION & LOGICAL ABILITY

The DILR section had a few good things to offer this time around. With almost every question a manageable one, one should have definitely done well in this particular section. With the average difficulty level ranging from easy to medium, the studetns should have used this section as an overall score booster as well. The questions were based on Arrangements, Distribution, Binary Logic, Flow Chart, Bar Graph, Pie Charts.

The only questions that fell under the difficult category were 29, 30, 31, 32.

PERCENTILE	MARKS
99	58
95	46
90	40
85	36

QUANTITATIVE ABILITY

QA section of this AIMCAT was Moderate in difficulty.

A net score of more than 30 marks (out of 102 marks) was very much achievable in this test. For answering many of the qs, just a basic knowledge of Maths was required. There was no question which would be classified as very difficult. There were a couple of qs which were slightly difficult but with proper strategy, one could have attempted those questions as well.

Q-1 was a direct question involving the concepts of Averages, Mixtures and Alligations. Q-2 involved a direct concept on Percentages, profit, Loss. However, one had to be careful as there were two possibilities (Profit or Loss % but out of which one could be eliminated). Q-3 (on Arithmetic progressions involving inclusion of P terms) was tricky, though doable if the right concept was applied in the first place. Some of the questions which were very much doable were Q-5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26(by elimination of options), 29(by elimination of options), 32, 33 and 34.

All in all, the whole idea, yet again, is the right selection of questions.

PERCENTILE	MARKS
99	57
95	45
90	38
85	34

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