AIMCAT 1818 Analysis

A relatively tougher AIMCAT1, just as few of its predecessors have been. This one must have shaken many of the test takers. However, the idea is not to get bogged down by the difficulty level of the paper but to keep calm and try and look out for the easier ones and be as accurate as possible. Let us now take a brief look at each section of the paper:

Section I - VERBAL ABILITY & READING COMPREHENSION

The RC sub-section had 24 questions from six passages with three passages having six questions each and remaining two with three questions each. In terms of difficulty level, this sub-section onnly had medium to difficult/very difficult questions. The length of the passages in this sub-section varied from 250 words to in excess of 800 words. The questions in the passages were a little trickier and on the tougher side. Questions like 3, 4, 6, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23 were the ones with medium difficulty and the rest were either difficult or very difficult.

The VA sub-section was also tilted towards higher difficulty level. It also didn't have much to offer and many of the students would have found most of the questions as difficult ones only. This entire section was about chosing the right ones and leaving the ones where somebody was not sure of the correct answer i.e., one should have given priority to accuracy (which has always been the case).

In terms of difficulty, none of the questions in VA was of moderate difficulty and every question was a challenging one.

PERCENTIL E	MARKS
99	62
95	49
90	42
85	38

Section II - DATA INTERPRETATION & LOGICAL ABILITY

DI/LR section of this AIMCAT 1818 was easy in nature. There were about 18 questions in this DILR section which will be classified as easy to moderate. Others could be classified as moderate to difficult.

Questions which would be classified as easy and doable were Q-5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28.

The 1st set (Q1 to Q4) was not a difficult set but the comprehension alone might have taken a bit of time (about 8 to 10 mins). But once the core idea was clear, then it would not have been difficult to crack the complete set.

At least two questions of the 2nd set (Q5 and Q6) could have been attempted by observation and very minimal calculations.

The third set on arrangement of six persons (with their pets) can be classified as a straightforward set.

The fourth set (Venn diagrams) was a regular set with three variables.

All the questions in the fifth set were very easy and could have been done in not more than 12 mins.

The 7 th set (on Planets -size & density) was moderate in nature. This was straight from the topic -Comparison (related to Logical Reasoning).

PERCENTIL E	MARKS
99	68
95	56
90	49
85	45

Section III - QUANTITATIVE ABILITY

If we go by the difficulty level, then the QA section can arguably be categorized as the easiest of the three. Attempting around 17-18 questions with 100% accuracy would have fetched one 99+ percentile. With almost 25+ questions in the easy-medium category, the students should definitely have taken an advantage to the fullest. A good mix of conceptual, calculative and sitters, a serious candidate could definitely have done pretty well in this section. The QA section had a good spread of topics of arithmetic and pure maths.

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T&W - 2 (Q# 2, 33),

T&D - 2 (Q# 23, 32),

P/L Partnership - 2 (Q# 4, 10),

P&C - 2 (Q# 7, 26),

Coordinate Geometry - 3 (Q# 14, 19, 28

Q.E - 1 (Q# 30)

Arithmetic Progression - 1 (Q# 21),

Sets - 1 (Q# 20),

Number system - 1 (Q# 1)

Trigonometry - 1 (Q# 27).

Geometry and Mensuration - 5 (Q# 3,9,16,22,34).
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99	52
95	39
90	31
85	27