For some blanks, complete them by using the given words. For the others, give the correct form of the given word in brackets.

Many animals are in danger of extinction. Some people say that we should protect only those animals which are useful to humans. Do you agree or disagree?

deemed	terms	regardless	wise	vital
prioritize	annually	impose	myriad	allocate
prevail	detrimental	attractions	concern	opposing

It is a fact that many animals are at risk of extinction. Some hold the view that we should .....protecting only the animals that benefit humans. I tend to disagree with this point of view, and there are ..... reasons that support my opinion.

First and foremost, there is a .....(compel) argument that all species, ...of their immediate utility to humans, should be .....(preserve) since they have made ..... (contribute) to maintaining biodiversity of our planet. In other words, the extinction of any species .....(eventual) diminishes the ecological richness and unavoidably has a .....impact on the balance of life on earth, as a result.

Furthermore, advocates of this view emphasize that the ..... (protect) of animals which may not ..... useful currently is ..... for scientific and medical research. In fact, many animals have been found to have ..... (medicine) value after years of research. Hence, allowing species to go extinct, we risk ..... (lose) the potential for future discoveries.

Finally, it has been argued that conserving all animals can lead to ..... (significance) economic advantages. For instance, ecotourism in some

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tourist ..... in Vietnam centres around their rich biodiversity, ... (contribute) millions of dollars to the local economy .....

I do understand why some people have an .....view, saying that the protection of so many animals can ..... a heavy financial burden on the government. I, however, argue that this is not a .....point of view, especially when its benefits in .....(ecology), scientific and economic ..... are put into perspective.

In conclusion, that many animals are dying out has been a matter of widespread ..... I subscribe to the fact that we should defend all wildlife. The merits of this can ..... over any possible demerits, as long as the authorities can .....funds for this .....(proper).

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