

PASSAGE 52.

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Decide whether the statements from 1 to 4 are True or False and choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D) for question 5 and 6.

The number of megacities is growing very quickly. In the 1950s, there were only two megacities in the world. Today, 12% of the world's urban population lives in megacities. Studies show that there will be eight billion people in the world in 2025. Experts say that there will be 40 megacities. Today, more than 35 cities in the world are megacities. 75% are in Asia, South America and Africa. More and more people around the world are leaving their homes in the countryside and moving to the city.

Delhi is in the north of India. It has many beautiful monuments, interesting museums and modern restaurants. There is an exciting mix of different cultures in the city, and there are four official languages: Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi and English. However, there are not enough houses in some parts of Delhi. This means that many people live in large slums in the city.

Many megacities have better opportunities, such as more jobs and a choice of schools and universities. Megacities are also exciting places to live-there are lots of different people, languages and restaurants, and there are many interesting things to do. However, megacities have problems, too. The cities are very big and this can cause problems like pollution or poor housing.

Question 1: Almost 35 cities in the world are megacities.

Question 2: Most megacities are in India.

Question 3: Many people in Delhi live in large slums due to a lack of housing.

Question 4: People are moving from cities to the countryside to find better opportunities.

Question 5: Which of the following statements is NOT TRUE according to the passage?

- A. Today, over 35 cities in the world are classified as megacities.
- B. In Delhi, there are four official languages: Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi, and English.
- C. 75% of megacities are located in North America and Europe.
- D. Experts predict that there will be 40 megacities worldwide by 2025.

Question 6: Why is Paragraph 2 included in the passage?

- A. To provide a specific example of a megacity.
- B. To explain why Delhi is the largest city in India.
- C. To compare Delhi to other cities in North America and Europe.
- D. To show that all megacities have the same culture and language.