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April GA Quiz 11

Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answers the questions given below:

1. The National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB) of which ministry has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying for formulating new drugs using medicinal herbs for the use of veterinary science?

- A. Ministry of AYUSH
- B. Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- C. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- D. Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- E. None of these

2. Which country has participated in French Maritime Exercise 'La Perouse' held in Indian Ocean?

- A. China
- B. India
- C. Japan
- D. Sri Lanka
- E. None of these

3. Which country has hosted the First 2021 Meeting of BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors?

- A. South Africa
- B. China
- C. India
- D. Brazil
- E. None of these

4. Which railway zone has become the First Fully Electrified Indian Railways Zone?

- A. West Central Railway
- B. Western Railway
- C. South East Central Railway
- D. South Central Railway
- E. None of these

5. Who among the following has participated virtually in the Second G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) meeting under the Italian Presidency to discuss policy responses to global challenges to restore strong, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth?

- A. Shaktikanta Das
- B. Parakala Prabhakar
- C. Nirmala Sitharaman
- D. Smriti Zubin Irani
- E. None of these



6. Jana Small Finance Bank has tie-up with _____ to offer investment services through a 3-in-1 account.

- A. HDFC Securities B. ICICI Securities C. Exim Securities
D. Axis Securities E. None of these

7. ReNew Power Pvt., one of India's biggest renewable power producers, is to invest _____ in wind and solar projects through 2025 amid a government-backed effort to reduce emissions.

- A. \$5 billion B. \$8 billion C. \$6 billion
D. \$9 billion E. None of these

8. Reserve Bank of India has extended which money transfer facilities to Non-Bank Payment System Operators?

- A. RTGS B. IMPS C. NEFT
D. A and B E. A and C

9. Which mobile company has appointed cricketer Virat Kohli as its brand ambassador?

- A. VIVO B. OPPO C. Micromax
D. Nokia E. None of these

10. Who among the following has been appointed chairman of Capacity Building Commission?

- A. PMS Prasad B. Nikhil R. Meswani C. Dipak Jain
D. Adil Zainulbhai E. None of these

11. Ouhoumoudou Mahamadou has been appointed as the New Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Mali B. Cuba C. Niger
D. Libya E. None of these

12. Who among the following has launched Madhukranti Portal & Honey Corners of NAFED in New Delhi?

- A. Piyush Goyal B. Narendra Singh Tomar C. Ravi Shankar Prasad
D. Prakash Javadekar E. None of these



13. Who among the following has launched “MyNEP2020” Portal for Digital Consultation?

- A. Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'
- B. Ravi Shankar Prasad
- C. Piyush Goyal
- D. Prakash Javadekar
- E. None of these

14. Fatima Rafiq Zakaria passed away recently, was a/an _____ .

- A. Journalist
- B. Economist
- C. Scientist
- D. Director
- E. None of these

15. International Roma Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. April 9
- B. April 10
- C. April 7
- D. April 8
- E. None of these

16. CRPF Valour Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. April 7
- B. April 8
- C. April 9
- D. April 10
- E. None of these

17. World Table Tennis Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. April 8
- B. April 7
- C. April 6
- D. April 9
- E. None of these

18. Who among the following has become first Indian woman sailor to qualify for Olympics?

- A. Nethra Kumanan
- B. Sumitra Patil
- C. Nandani Rathor
- D. Kamlesh Rani
- E. None of these

19. Which company has acquired 10% stake in Kerala Infrastructure Fund Management Ltd?

- A. ICICI
- B. HDFC
- C. IDFC
- D. Kotak
- E. None of these



20. The Securities and Exchange Board of India has imposed a penalty of _____ on the Ambani family and firms linked to the promoter group for violation of takeover code regulations in the year 2000.

A. Rs 15 crore

B. Rs 25 crore

C. Rs 35 crore

D. Rs 45 crore

E. None of these



Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
A	B	C	A	C	D	D	E	A	D	C	B	A	A	D	C	C	A	B	B

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: MoU

What: Signed to Introduce 'Ayurveda' Disciplines in Veterinary Science, Says Govt

When: published on 8th April 2021

The concept of ayurveda and its allied disciplines will soon be introduced in veterinary sciences with the ministries concerned signing an initial pact to this effect. The MoU between Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD), Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying and Ministry of AYUSH was signed on April 7, an official statement said. This cooperation will definitely help in developing a regulatory mechanism for the use of ayurveda in the veterinary sector for the benefit of animal health, livestock owners' community and the society at large, it said.

The initiative involves capacity building in related areas through training, exploring marketing possibilities for herbal veterinary medicines on a sustainable basis and providing for services including cultivation, preservation and conservation of medicinal plants. The cooperation will help in developing herbal veterinary education programmes and creating awareness among dairy farmers and agro-farmers about utilization and importance of herbal veterinary medicine and cultivation of medicinal herbs, the statement by Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying added. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian Navy

What: to participate in multi-lateral maritime exercise La Pérouse

When: published on 5th April 2021

Indian Navy Ships INS Satpura (with an integral helicopter embarked) and INS Kiltan alongwith P8I Long Range Maritime Patrol Aircraft are participating, for the first time; in multi-lateral maritime exercise La Pérouse, being conducted in the Eastern Indian Ocean Region from 05 to 07 April.

"The Indian Navy ships and aircraft will exercise at sea with ships and aircraft of French Navy (FN), Royal Australian Navy (RAN), Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) and United States Navy (USN) during the three day exercise at sea," the Defence Ministry said in a statement. [\(Read more\)](#)



3. Hints to Remember

Who: India

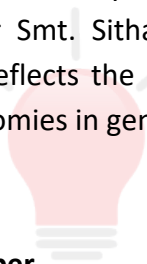
What: hosts First Meeting of BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors April 6, 2021

When: published on 6th April 2021

India hosted a Meeting of BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors virtually today on April 6, 2021. The meeting was jointly Chaired by Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman and Governor, Reserve Bank of India, Shri. Shaktikanta Das. Participants included Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors of the BRICS countries.

As 2021 BRICS Chair, India's approach is focused on strengthening intra-BRICS cooperation based on Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus.

This was the first meeting of the BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors under India Chairship in 2021. BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors discussed financial cooperation agenda set by India for 2021 - Global Economic Outlook and Response to COVID-19 pandemic, New Development Bank (NDB) Activities, Social Infrastructure Financing and Use of Digital Technologies, Cooperation on Customs related issues, IMF reforms, Fintech for SMEs and Financial Inclusion, BRICS Rapid Information Security channel and BRICS Bond Fund. On the BRICS priorities and agenda for 2021, Finance Minister Smt. Sitharaman informed that the efforts should be made towards delivering outcomes that reflects the needs and aspirations of BRICS in particular and emerging markets and developing economies in general. [\(Read more\)](#)



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4. Hints to Remember

Who: Faster trains, less travel time! West Central Railway

What: becomes first fully electrified Indian Railways zone

When: published on 31st March 2021

Indian Railways' West Central Railway zone gets fully electrified! On 30 March 2021, after CCRS Inspection and Commissioning of electrification of Kota – Chittaurgarh railway section (Srinagar – Jalindri) in the state of Rajasthan, West Central Railways has become the first fully electrified railway zone in the country. The zonal railway now boasts 3012 Route Km electrified network. According to Railway Minister Piyush Goyal, trains passing through this railway section can now be operated at a faster speed. Electrification of this railway section will provide various benefits such as saving fuel, reduction in travel time, as well as environmental protection.

Earlier this year, with the electrification of the Nimmita – New Farakka railway section in the state of West Bengal, the Eastern Railway zone had also become fully electrified rail network. The Railway Ministry had earlier said that the move will increase the speed of rail as well as minimize the carbon footprint in the environment. During the period 2014-2020, the national transporter invested an amount of Rs 19811.7 crores on infrastructural works as well as Rs 710.3 crores on passenger amenities in the Eastern Railway zone.



5. Hints to Remember

Who: Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman

What: attends Second Virtual G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting

When: published on 7th April 2021

Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman participated virtually in the Second G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) meeting under the Italian Presidency here today to discuss policy responses to global challenges to restore strong, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth.

The G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors discussed Updates of the G20 Action Plan in response to COVID-19. They also discussed supporting the financing needs of the most vulnerable economies, the progress on the international taxation agenda, promoting greener transitions and the pandemic related financial regulation issues. [\(Read more\)](#)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Jana Small Finance Bank

What: ties up with Axis Securities to offer investment services

When: published on 7th April 2021

Jana Small Finance Bank on Wednesday announced its tie-up with Axis Securities to offer investment services through a 3-in-1 account. The 3-in-1 account integrates Savings Bank Account maintained by Jana Small Finance Bank & Demat and Trading Accounts maintained by Axis Securities, a joint statement said.

This account will make it easier for customers to transfer funds quickly, reduce paperwork and most importantly provide a single seamless platform to invest in various investment instruments including Mutual Funds, SIP, equities and other investment avenues offered by Axis Securities, it was stated. [\(Read more\)](#)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: ReNew Power

What: to invest \$9 billion in wind & solar projects

When: published on 7th April 2021

ReNew Power Pvt., one of India's biggest renewable power producers, plans to invest \$9 billion in wind and solar projects through 2025 amid a government-backed effort to reduce emissions.



The company, backed by investors such as Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and Canada Pension Plan Investment Board, aims to more than triple its renewable power capacity to 18.5 gigawatts by 2025, Chairman Sumant Sinha said in an interview. The Gurugram, India-based company will look at building its own projects as well as acquisitions for growth.[\(Read more\)](#)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: extended RTGS and NEFT money transfer facilities to Non-Bank Payment System Operators

When: published on 7th April 2021

The Reserve Bank of India on Wednesday said that National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) and Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) facilities will be extended to non-bank payment system operators.

As of now, only banks were allowed to use RTGS and NEFT payment facilities. With RBI's announcement, these money transfer systems will be extended to Prepaid Payment Instrument (PPI) issuers, card networks, white-label ATM operators and Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) platforms.[\(Read more\)](#)

9. Hints to Remember

Who: VIVO

What: rope in Indian skipper Virat Kohli as brand ambassador

When: published on 7th April 2021

Chinese smartphone major Vivo on Wednesday said it has appointed cricketer Virat Kohli as its brand ambassador. With the association, Vivo aims to reach the millennials and technologically driven consumers, and a 360-degree marketing approach will characterise the company's association with Kohli, a statement said.

Kohli will be seen spreading awareness and promoting the launch of Vivo's upcoming product series in the pipeline, it added. The association will include all ATL and BTL (above and below the line) activities, including the brand's forthcoming events, TV, print, outdoor and social media campaigns.[\(Read more\)](#)

10. Hints to Remember

Who: QCI chief Adil Zainulbhai

What: appointed chairman of Capacity Building Commission

When: published on 2nd April 2021



Quality Council of India (QCI) chief Adil Zainulbhai has been appointed as the chairperson of the Capacity Building Commission, set up under the government's ambitious 'Mission Karmayogi' for bringing major reforms in bureaucracy, a Personnel Ministry order issued on Thursday said. Besides him, Ramaswami Balasubramaniam has been appointed as member (HR) and Praveen Pardeshi as member (administration), it said.

Balasubramaniam is the founder of the Swamy Vivekanand Youth Movement and Pardeshi is a 1985-batch IAS officer who is currently the global programme coordinator for the Defeat-NCD (Non-Communicable Diseases) Partnership under the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the order said.[\(Read more\)](#)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Niger President Bazoum

What: Names Mahamadou as New Prime Minister

When: published on 4th April 2021

Niger President Mohamed Bazoum appointed Ouhoumoudou Mahamadou to head his new cabinet as the country's new prime minister, the government announced on public broadcaster Office de Radiodiffusion Television du Niger.

Mahamadou, 66, previously served as a minister in charge of the finance and mining portfolios. He was the chief of staff to former President Mahamadou Issoufou between 2015 and 2021.

Niger is seeing a rise in deadly attacks by Islamist rebel militants and militias. Bazoum, 61, was sworn in on April 2, two days after soldiers opened fire near the presidential palace in what authorities said was a coup attempt.[\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar

What: launches Madhukranti portal and Honey Corners of NAFED in New Delhi

When: published on 7th April 2021

Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister Narendra Singh Tomar today launched Madhukranti portal and Honey Corners of National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation, NAFED in New Delhi. This portal is being developed for online registration to achieve a traceability source of Honey and other beehive products on a digital platform. This will also help in checking the quality and source of adulteration of honey.

Madhukranti portal is an initiative of National Bee Board under National Beekeeping and Honey Mission. An MoU between National Bee Board and Indian Bank was signed for this project.[\(Read More\)](#)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'

What: Launches "MyNEP2020" Platform Of NCTE Portal

When: published on 2nd April 2021

Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' on Thursday launched the "MyNEP2020" Platform of National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) Web Portal which will be operational from April 1 to May 15, 2021.

According to an official release, the platform seeks to invite suggestions, inputs or membership from the stakeholders for preparing a draft for the development of National Professional Standards for Teachers (NPST) and National Mission for Mentoring Program membership (NMM).

The "MyNEP2020" platform will be operational from April 1, 2021 to May 15, 2021.

This exercise of digital consultation envisages the participation of teachers, education professionals, academicians, and other stakeholders in preparing the documents on teacher policy for sustainable and positive change in the Teacher's Education Sector. [\(Read more\)](#)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Veteran Journalist, Fareed Zakaria's Mother, Padma Shri Fatima Zakaria

What: Dies Aged 85

When: published on 6th April 2021

Renowned journalist, academician and Padma Shri awardee, Fatima Rafiq Zakaria passed away at the Bajaj Hospital in Maharashtra's Aurangabad due to COVID-19 on Tuesday noon. She was 85.

Fatima Zakaria was the widow of former Maharashtra Minister and Islamic scholar Dr Rafiq Zakaria, and had been admitted to a local hospital for the past few days, IANS reported.

She was chairman of Maulana Azad Educational Trust and Khairul Islam Trust Mumbai and was also the executive vice-chairman of the Board of Governors of the Trust's Institute of Hotel Management which is run in collaboration with the Taj Group of Hotels. [\(Read more\)](#)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: International Roma Day 2021

What: was observed on April 8



International Romani Day or International Roma Day is annually observed across the globe on 8th April to celebrate the culture and heritage of Romani and to raise awareness of the issues facing Roma people.

The day also focuses on the discrimination against the Roma communities across the globe and call for the human rights of all to be respected and observed.

The International Roma Day 2021 marks the 50th anniversary of the first Romani Congress April 7 to 12 1971 in Chelsfield near London, England.

16. Hints to Remember

Who: CRPF Valour Day 2021

What: was observed on April 9

Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Valour Day (Shaurya Diwas) is observed on 9 April every year, as a tribute to the brave men of the Force.

2021 marks 56th CRPF Valour Day.

It was on this day in 1965, a small contingent of CRPF created history by defeating an invading Pakistani army, several time larger, at the Sardar Post located in the Rann of Kutch, Gujarat.

The CRPF men eliminated 34 Pakistani soldiers and captured four alive.

In the conflict, CRPF lost six personnel who had attained martyrdom.

17. Hints to Remember

Who: World Table Tennis Day 2021

What: was observed on April 6

When: published on 6th April 2021

The best revenge is living well they say. Despite Covid-19 is making the world feeling stranded, April 6th 2021 was a day packed with action and hot-head nostalgia. Olympic athletes sharing their tested home-workouts and game strategies, while professional coaches disclosed their secrets on how to manage stress and boost table tennis involvement in physically challenged communities. The faint-hearted table tennis lovers had the chance to indulge in historical matches, as inspiring female role models shared their experience and motivation in the pursuit of gender equality across the world. ([Read more](#))



18. Hints to Remember

Who: Nethra Kumanan

What: become first Indian woman sailor to qualify for Olympics, first ever direct quota for country

When: published on 8th April 2021

Nethra Kumanan did on Thursday what no Indian has done before — she qualified for the Tokyo Olympics by coming first at the Laser Radial event in the Mussanah Open Championship, a joint Asian and African Olympic qualifying event.

Kumanan will be the 10th Indian to qualify for a sailing event in the Olympics, but all the earlier nine had been male athletes. All the earlier nine had made it to the Olympics by getting nominated for quota places that were not filled up through the qualifiers. Kumanan is the first Indian to have booked a direct quota place by topping a qualifier. [\(Read more\)](#)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: HDFC

What: to acquire 10% stake in Kerala-based asset management firm

When: published on 6th April 2021

Mortgage lender HDFC Ltd on Monday said it will acquire 9.90 per cent stake in Kerala-based infrastructure fund management company KIFML. "...the Corporation has today invested in 3,88,303 equity shares of Rs 10 each of Kerala Infrastructure Fund Management Limited representing 9.90 per cent of its share capital issued on a private placement basis," HDFC said in a regulatory filing.

The cost of acquisition is at par, that is at the face value of Rs 10 per share, it said, adding the acquisition is expected to be completed in one month.

KIFML was promoted by the Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB) to manage Kerala Infrastructure Fund. The company, incorporated in November 2018, acts as an asset management company. [\(Read more\)](#)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Sebi

What: imposes penalty of Rs 25 cr on Mukesh Ambani, Anil Ambani, others

When: published on 8th April 2021

The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has imposed a penalty of Rs 25 crore on the Ambani family and firms linked to the promoter group for violation of takeover code regulations in the year 2000.



In January 2000, the promoter stake in Reliance Industries (RIL) had increased by 6.83 per cent following conversion of warrants issued in 1994.

However, the promoter group failed to make an open offer as mandate under the Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers (SAST) Regulations 1997.

Under the regulations, a promoter group acquiring more than 5 per cent of the voting rights, in any financial year ending March 31, needs to make an open offer to minority investors.[\(Read more\)](#)





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