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# Current Affairs Questions for CGL Tier 1, IBPS RRB, IBPS Clerk, IBPS PO, LIC AAO, LIC Assistant, RBI Assistant, RBI Grade-B, SBI Clerk and SBI PO Exams

## February GA Quiz 20

Direction: Read the following questions carefully and choose the right answer.

1. Pluto Day was recently observed on which date?

- A. Feb-16                      B. Feb-17                      C. Feb-18  
D. Feb-19                      E. None of these

2. World Pangolin Day was observed on which date?

- A. Feb-18                      B. Feb-17                      C. Feb-19  
D. Feb-20                      E. None of these

3. Srikanth Nadhamuni has recently resigned as Non-Executive Director of which bank?

- A. ICICI Bank                      B. YES Bank                      C. Axis Bank  
D. HDFC Bank                      E. None of these

4. Which bank has recently got the approval of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for the appointment of Pralay Mondal as the deputy managing director of the company?

- A. CSB Bank                      B. Federal Bank                      C. South Indian Bank  
D. DCB Bank                      E. None of these

5. Jal Jeevan Mission has recently achieved another milestone of providing tap water to every home of \_\_\_\_\_ districts in the country.

- A. 100                      B. 200                      C. 300  
D. 400                      E. None of these



**6. Faculty from the department of Electronics and Communication Engineering and Computer Engineering at which IIT have recently developed a drone-based crop health forecasting solution that can be used to detect insects and diseases in crops and recommend more accurate solutions to address them?**

- A. IIT Kolkata  
D. IIT Mumbai
- B. IIT Naya Raipur  
E. None of these
- C. IIT Ahmedabad

**7. Which bank has recently approved the appointment of former economist and IFS officer Jaimini Bhagwati as an additional director on its board for three years?**

- A. IDFC FIRST Bank  
D. YES Bank
- B. HDFC Bank Ltd  
E. None of these
- C. Kotak Mahindra Bank

**8. Which organization is going to provide a \$115 million (Rs 869 crore) loan to fund a programme in India that will help national and state institutions adopt improved watershed management practices to increase farmers' resilience to climate change, promote higher productivity and better incomes?**

- A. Asian Development Bank  
D. World Economic Forum
- B. New Development Bank  
E. None of these
- C. World Bank

**9. India and which country have recently signed the historic Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) aimed at boosting the trade to US\$ 100 billion over next five years?**

- A. USA  
D. Germany
- B. UAE  
E. None of these
- C. Canada

**10. Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti 2022 was recently observed on which date?**

- A. Feb-17  
D. Feb-20
- B. Feb-18  
E. None of these
- C. Feb-19

**11. India and which country virtually held the 9th round of Foreign Office Consultations (FOC)?**

- A. Albania  
D. France
- B. Germany  
E. None of these
- C. Armenia

**12. Which of the following cities is going to host (International Olympic Committee) IOC session in 2023?**

- A. New Delhi  
D. Kolkata
- B. Chennai  
E. None of these
- C. Mumbai

**13. India's 1st Biosafety Level-3 mobile laboratory was recently launched in which city?**

- A. Chennai  
D. Nashik
- B. New Delhi  
E. None of these
- C. Cuttack

**14. Which of the following banks has recently empanelled with e-NAM Portal to facilitate Digital Transactions?**

- A. HDFC Bank  
D. Axis Bank
- B. ICICI Bank  
E. None of these
- C. IndusInd Bank

**15. Which Insurance Company has recently launched its new insurance plan "Flexi Edge", a non-linked participating individual savings life insurance plan that enables the customers with the ability to prioritize their long-term savings?**

- A. Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance  
B. PNB MetLife India Insurance  
C. IndiaFirst Life Insurance  
D. IDBI Federal Life Insurance  
E. None of these

**16. The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has tied up with the Government of \_\_\_\_\_ to promote the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME) sector in the state.**

- A. Jharkhand  
D. Odisha
- B. Bihar  
E. None of these
- C. Chhattisgarh

**17. Which of the following states has recently launched welfare schemes to mark the Ravidas Jayanti?**

- A. Jharkhand  
D. Madhya Pradesh
- B. West Bengal  
E. None of these
- C. Tamil Nadu

**18. Who among the following is the author of a new book titled as "A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Construction"?**

- A. Karuna Banerjee                      B. Uma Das Gupta                      C. Pinaki Sengupta  
D. Simran Ghosal                      E. None of these

**19. Indian Navy's warship \_\_\_\_\_ has recently carried out the test-firing of BrahMos supersonic cruise missile off the western seaboard.**

- A. INS Visakhapatnam                      B. INS Mysore                      C. INS Kolkata  
D. INS Chennai                      E. None of these

**20. In a bid to boost the production of biofuel in the country to curb carbon emissions, National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED) has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Hindustan Petroleum Limited  
B. Bharat Petroleum Limited  
C. Indian Oil Corporation Limited  
D. Reliance Petroleum Limited  
E. None of these

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**CORRECT ANSWER:**

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



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## Explanations:

### 1. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Pluto Day

**What:** was observed on 18 February

Pluto Day is celebrated on February 18 of every year. The planet was discovered in the year 1930, and it is considered as the ninth planet in the solar system for about 76 years, but after the year 1992, its position as a planet was doubted as many objects like Pluto with similar size was discovered in the Kuiper belt. On 24th August 2006, Pluto's position as a planet was degraded by the (IAU) International Astronomical Union to a dwarf planet and this day is called Pluto Demoted Day.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

### 2. Hints to Remember

**Who:** World Pangolin Day

**What:** was observed on 19 February 2022

The third Saturday in February is celebrated as World Pangolin Day, a day to raise awareness of this endangered mammal. Pangolins, scaly anteaters, are heavily illegally trafficked for the bogus medicinal powers given to their scales, which are made of keratin, the same material that makes our semi-rigid fingernails.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Srikanth Nadhamuni

**What:** resigns as Non-Executive Director of HDFC Bank

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

HDFC Bank said Srikanth Nadhamuni has resigned as a director from its board, citing potential future interests. Nadhamuni has tendered his resignation as non-executive (non-independent) director of HDFC Bank vide his resignation letter dated February 18, 2022, effective Friday, HDFC Bank said in a regulatory filing.

The bank said Nadhamuni has cited potential future transactions/arrangements which may materialise between the bank and a company in which he may be interested.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** CSB Bank

**What:** gets RBI nod to appoint Pralay Mondal as Deputy MD

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

CSB Bank has got the approval of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for the appointment of Pralay Mondal as the deputy managing director of the company, according to an exchange filing.

Mondal will be the deputy managing director of the lender for a period of three years.

We wish to inform you about the appointment of Mr. Pralay Mondal (DIN: 00117994) as the 'Deputy Managing Director' of the Bank subject to the approval of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) along with the disclosures as required under Regulation 30 of the SEBI Regulations read with SEBI Circular no. CIR/CFD/CMD/4/2015 dated September 09, 2015," CSB Bank said in a filing

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))

#### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 100 districts

**What:** become 'Har Ghar Jal' under Jal Jeevan Mission

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

After touching the milestone of providing tap water supply to more than 9 Crore homes on 16th February, 2022, Jal Jeevan Mission achieved another milestone of providing tap water to every home of 100 districts in the country, today. Chamba, an Aspirational District of Himachal Pradesh has become the 100th 'Har Ghar Jal' District. Chamba is the fifth aspirational district to become 'Har Ghar Jal'. Other four Har Ghar Jal Aspirational districts are: Bhadradri Kothgudem, Jayashankar Bhupalpalli, Komram Bheem Asifabad (all in Telangana) and Mewat in Haryana.

To translate Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of providing clean tap water to every home in the country by 2024, in a short span of two and half years and despite COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown disruptions, Jal Jeevan Mission, has provided tap water supply to more than 5.78 Crore rural households. As a result, today 100 districts in the country are enjoying benefits of clean tap water supply and Jal Jeevan Mission is on track to fulfill the Government's resolve to provide tap water supply to every rural household by 2024.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))





## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IIIT-Naya Raipur

**What:** develops drone-based crop health forecasting solution

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Faculty from the department of Electronics and Communication Engineering and Computer Engineering at IIIT-Naya Raipur have developed a drone-based crop health forecasting solution that can be used to detect insects and diseases in crops and recommend more accurate solutions to address them.

The institute claims the forecasting solution can help farmers deal with crop disease before they can damage the crops. It will also curb overuse of pesticides, which is rampant due to lack of accurate information among farmers.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IDFC FIRST Bank

**What:** appoints Jaimini Bhagwati on board as additional director

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

IDFC FIRST Bank said its board has approved the appointment of former economist and IFS officer Jaimini Bhagwati as an additional director on its board for three years. Based on the recommendation of the nomination and remuneration committee, the board of directors of the bank has approved the appointment of Jaimini Bhagwati, as an additional director, in the category of non-executive non-independent director of the bank, the bank said in a regulatory filing.

Bhagwati's appointment is for a period of three years with effect from February 18, 2022, subject to approval of shareholders.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** World Bank

**What:** offers \$115 million loan for rejuvenating watersheds in India

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The World Bank will provide a \$115 million (Rs 869 crore) loan to fund a programme in India that will help national and state institutions adopt improved watershed management practices to increase farmers' resilience to climate change, promote higher productivity and better incomes, the Union Finance Ministry said.

The Government of India, the State Governments of Karnataka and Odisha and the World Bank have signed the agreement for the programme called 'Rejuvenating Watersheds for Agricultural Resilience through Innovative Development Programme'.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India, UAE

**What:** sign CEPA to boost goods trade to \$100 billion in 5 years

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

India and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) on Friday signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA), which is set to reduce tariffs for 80 per cent of goods and give zero duty access to 90 per cent of India's exports to the UAE.

The agreement, which is expected to come into effect in about 60 days, is expected to boost annual bilateral trade to \$100 billion within 5 years of its adoption, up from about \$60 billion currently. The Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement was signed by Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal and the UAE's Minister of Economy Abdulla bin Touq Al Marri after 88 days of negotiations.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))



## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti 2022

**What:** was observed on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Nation will celebrate the 392nd birth anniversary of the great Maratha warrior Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj on February 19, 2022. The birth anniversary of the great Maratha king Shivaji is celebrated as Shivaji Jayanti every year.

The founder of the Maratha Kingdom, Shivaji born in Pune's Shivneri Fort on this day in 1630.

Mainly the state of Maharashtra celebrates the birth anniversary of its one of the bravest and wise monarchs of India. History stands testimony to the fact that Maharashtra of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj did not bow in front of either the throne of Delhi or the arrogant British.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India, Armenia

**What:** hold 9th Foreign Office Consultations, discuss bilateral cooperation

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The 9th round of Foreign Office Consultations between India and Armenia was held in virtual format yesterday. The Indian side was led by Secretary (West) of Ministry of External Affairs Reenat Sandhu and the Armenian side was led by Armenia's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Mnatsakan Safaryan.

During the consultations, both sides had comprehensive discussions on bilateral cooperation in diverse areas including political, economic, commercial, defence, development partnership, capacity building, consular matters and cultural cooperation.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))



## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mumbai

**What:** to host 2023 International Olympic Committee session

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Mumbai has been officially elected as the host for the 2023 International Olympic Committee (IOC) session, which could possibly see the election for the host country for the 2030 Winter Olympics and sports programme for LA 2028 Olympic Games.

The session will be held in May or June next year.

An IOC session is the annual meeting of the members of the IOC, comprising 101 voting members and 45 honorary members.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India's 1st Biosafety Level-3 mobile laboratory

**What:** launched in Nashik

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Friday announced that India's first Biosafety level-3 containment mobile laboratory was launched in Nashik, Maharashtra. The mobile laboratory has been set up to investigate newly emerging and re-emerging viral infections that are highly infectious and of lethal potential to human beings, according to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

The Health Ministry has said that the mobile laboratory provides a public health solution as it can be simply driven around to various locations, just like a normal bus. This laboratory will be able to access remote and forested areas of the country where specially trained scientists from ICMR can investigate outbreaks using samples from humans and animal sources. These activities will ensure timely and on-site diagnosis with a rapid turnaround time for reporting these outbreaks.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. [\(Read more\)](#)



## 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IndusInd Bank

**What:** to facilitate digital transactions on e-NAM portal

**When:** published on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

IndusInd Bank announced that it has been empanelled by the Small Farmers Agri- Business Consortium (SFAC) to facilitate digital collection and settlement services on National Agriculture Market (e-NAM) portal for the transactions between farmers and traders across the country.

IndusInd Bank has been directly integrated with e-NAM platform to provide safe and hassle free payments, clearing and settlement services to the farmers and traders.

Under this arrangement, the bank will offer an array of transaction services through digital modes including multi-net banking, debit card, NEFT, RTGS, IMPS and UPI to the buyer and seller of the agriculture produce.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))

## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance

**What:** launches Flexi Edge

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance has launched its new insurance plan -- Flexi Edge--a non-linked participating individual savings life insurance plan that enables the customers with the ability to prioritize their long-term savings.

Flexi Edge addresses the growing needs of customers starting from savings to income and unplanned or recurring expenses; along with providing life cover to the policyholder in the unfortunate event of the death, according to a release by Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** SIDBI

**What:** ties up with Bihar government to promote MSME sector in state

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has tied up with the Government of Bihar to promote the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME) sector in the state.

To this effect, two memoranda of understanding (MoU) have been signed between SIDBI and the industries department, Government of Bihar, and the Bihar Industrial Area Development Authority (BIADA) to develop the MSME ecosystem in the state.

Under the first MoU with Bihar's industry department, project management units (PMUs) will be deployed by SIDBI with the state government, SIDBI said in a statement on Wednesday.

The PMU will support the state government in making necessary interventions for focused engagement of SIDBI with Bihar, with the objective of facilitating development of the MSME ecosystem.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Madhya Pradesh Govt

**What:** Announces Welfare Schemes On Ravidas Jayanti

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan launched three employment schemes for Scheduled Castes and said Global Skills Park in Bhopal would be named after Sant Ravidas. He also announced construction of Ravidas community halls in all the scheduled castes dominated areas in the state.

Chouhan's announcement came on Ravidas Jayanti on Wednesday while addressing people from his residence.

The employment schemes he announced include Sant Ravidas Swarozgar Yojana, Dr Bhimrao Ambedkar Aarthik Kalyan Yojana and Mukhyamantri Anusuchit Jati Vishesh Pariyojana Vitta Poshan Yojana. Chouhan said that he was not physically present at the temple due to corona but the elected representatives were attending the events in all the districts.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))



## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Uma Das Gupta

**What:** authored a new book "A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Construction"

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022

A new book explores Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore's work for rural reconstruction by setting up 'Sriniketan', a wing of his Visva Bharati International University at Santiniketan in 1922.

The book, "A History of Sriniketan: Rabindranath Tagore's Pioneering Work in Rural Construction", is written by historian and Tagore biographer Uma Das Gupta. It is published under Niyogi Book's 'Paper Missile' imprint.

"Rabindranath referred to his rural work as his 'life's work'. This study here on Sriniketan's history intends to document the work of rural reconstruction and examine its pioneering features of integrated thought and action," wrote the author in the introduction of the book.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. ([Read more](#))

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Indian Navy

**What:** Test Fires BrahMos Supersonic Cruise Missile

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Indian NavJy's warship INS Visakhapatnam carried out the test-firing of BrahMos supersonic cruise missile off the western seaboard.

The warship has now reached Visakhapatnam to take part in President's Fleet Review on February 21, informed Defence sources.

The missile was tested from INS Visakhapatnam which is the latest warship of the Indian Navy inducted recently.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. ([Read more](#))



## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** NAFED

**What:** signs MoU with IOC for setting up bio-fuel projects

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022

National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED) on Thursday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Oil Corporation (IOC). The MoU has been signed for setting up bio-fuel projects, plants for post-processing of products and marketing of end products of CBG (Cannabigerol). "MoU b/w IOC & NAFED was signed on 15.02.22 to set-up Bio-fuel projects, Plants for post-processing of products viz Cattle feed & Marketing of end products of CBG. Senior officials of both org. graced the occasion. NAFED is committed to work towards greener & sustainable future," NAFED said in a tweet. Senior officials of both the organisations were present on the occasion.

Hence, the correct answer is option C. ([Read more](#))



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