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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 26

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

**1. Hoshangabad in which state is going to be renamed as Narmadapuram?**

- A. Rajasthan                      B. Madhya Pradesh                      C. Kerala  
D. Gujarat                      E. None of these

**2. Which state CM has Laid Foundation of the 1st Skill University of Eastern India in Darrang district?**

- A. Assam                      B. Tripura                      C. Manipur  
D. Sikkim                      E. None of these

**3. "Bare Necessities: How to Live a Zero Waste Life" was published by:**

- A. Bloomsbury Publishing                      B. Hachette Livre                      C. Penguin  
D. HarperCollins                      E. None of these

**4. Which State Cabinet approved 'EBC Nestam' Welfare Scheme for providing Financial Assistance to Women?**

- A. Madhya Pradesh                      B. Andhra Pradesh                      C. Karnataka  
D. Tamil Nadu                      E. None of these

**5. Who among the following has launched his 2nd Book Titled '#METOO'?**

- A. Aditya Singh                      B. Karan Puri                      C. Arjun Thapar  
D. Kaushal Verma                      E. None of these

**6. Who among the following has claimed her Maiden WTA doubles title?**

- A. Rutuja Bhosale                      B. Karman Kaur                      C. Riya Bhatia  
D. Ankita Raina                      E. None of these



**7. Upul Tharanga announced retirement from International Cricket. He is from which of the following countries?**

- A. Bangladesh                      B. Nepal                      C. Sri Lanka  
D. India                                E. None of these

**8. Scientists have discovered Cremanthodium indicum, a new Alpine Plant species in which state?**

- A. Madhya Pradesh                      B. Karnataka                      C. Arunachal Pradesh  
D. Himachal Pradesh                      E. None of these

**9. Which of the following countries has recently published the first image for its Mars probe now circling the red planet?**

- A. USA                                      B. UAE                                      C. UK  
D. China                                      E. None of these

**10. Which organization has signed a share purchase agreement to buy GAIL's 25.51 per cent stake in Ratnagiri Gas and Power Pvt Ltd (RGPPL), which is commonly known as Dabhol project?**

- A. BHEL                                      B. DRDO                                      C. ONGC  
D. NTPC                                      E. None of these

**11. President Ram Nath Kovind has accepted the Resignation Of Puducherry Chief Minister. Who was CM of UT?**

- A. V Narayanasamy                      B. YS Jagan Mohan Reddy                      C. N. Rangaswamy  
D. V. Vaithilingam                      E. None of these

**12. Leading dairy-tech startup Stellapps has signed an agreement with which bank to digitize the dairy milk procurement value chain and promote banking facilities at milk collection centres?**

- A. India Post Payments Bank                      B. State Bank of India                      C. Indian Bank  
D. Punjab National Bank                      E. None of these



**13. Which firm is set to Build Damage Control Simulator for Indian Navy at Port Blair?**

- A. Hindustan Shipyard      B. Cochin Shipyard      C. Goa Shipyard  
D. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders      E. None of these

**14. Who among the following has recently inaugurated the Atal Paryavaran Bhavan at Lakshadweep?**

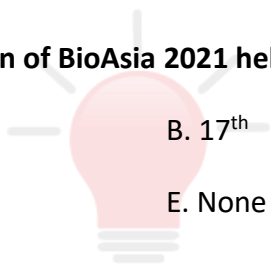
- A. Prakash Javadekar      B. Amit Shah      C. Rajnath Singh  
D. Piyush Goyal      E. None of these

**15. Which company has emerged as the lowest bidder for a Rs 10,000-crore contract by the Indian Navy, to build Next Generation Missile Vessels?**

- A. Hindustan Shipyard      B. Cochin Shipyard      C. Goa Shipyard  
D. Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders      E. None of these

**16. Which edition of BioAsia 2021 held in Hyderabad?**

- A. 18<sup>th</sup>      B. 17<sup>th</sup>      C. 19<sup>th</sup>  
D. 16<sup>th</sup>      E. None of these



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**17. Who among the following has inaugurated the Advanced Institute of Integrated Research in Livestock and Animal Science (AIIRLAS), the largest in Asia, near Thalaivasal?**

- A. Mithun Kumar      B. T. T. V. Dhinakaran      C. Edappadi K. Palaniswami  
D. M. K. Stalin      E. None of these

**18. The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) has approved capital acquisition proposals of various weapons, platforms, equipment required by the three armed forces and accorded three Acceptance of Necessities (AoNs) for an overall cost of \_\_\_\_\_ .**

- A. Rs 12,700 crore      B. Rs 13,700 crore      C. Rs 14,700 crore  
D. Rs 15,700 crore      E. None of these



19. Assam Chief Minister Sarbanand Sonwal in a meeting Council of Ministers (CoM) at Janata Bhawan, Guwahati decided to appoint ace sprinter \_\_\_\_\_ as a Deputy Superintendent of Police in the state.

- A. Hima Das                      B. Neeraja Chopra                      C. Dutee Chand  
D. P. T. Usha                      E. None of these

20. 10th World Pangolin Day was observed on which date?

- A. 24th February 2021                      B. 25th February 2021                      C. 26th February 2021  
D. 20th February 2021                      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
B	A	C	B	B	D	C	C	B	D	A	A	C	A	B	A	C	B	A	D

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Hoshangabad in MP

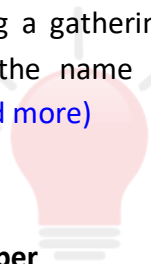
**What:** to be renamed as Narmadapuram: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has announced that Hoshangabad city in the state would be renamed as Narmadapuram and a proposal to that effect would be sent to the Centre.

He made the announcement during the Narmada Jayanti programme held in Hoshangabad on Friday evening.

While addressing a gathering on the banks of Narmada, Chouhan asked whether the government should change the name of Hoshangabad, to which the people present there replied in the affirmative. [\(Read more\)](#)



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**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Assam CM Sarbananda Sonowal

**What:** Laid Foundation of the 1st Skill University of Eastern India in Darrang district

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Monday laid the foundation of the first skill university of eastern India in Darrang district, aimed at imparting training to over 10,000 students in 12 disciplines.

The varsity would be built with a financial outlay of ₹1,000 crore.

It is expected to be completed by 2026, and will have understandings with countries like Germany, Taiwan, South Korea, Israel, Japan, England, he said.

Sonowal said since the present government came to power in 2016, it has taken several decisions to set up institutions of repute in different districts of the state. [\(Read more\)](#)



### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Bare Necessities: Book

**What:** shows how to lead sustainable lifestyle in India

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

A new book aims to push people to make a positive change in their life and to the environment in a fun and interactive way.

A "one-stop guide" on how to move towards a more sustainable lifestyle in India, "Bare Necessities: How to Live a Zero Waste Life", published by Penguin, is written by environmentalist Sahar Mansoor and sustainability consultant Tim De Ridder. It will hit the stands on Monday.

"The guide book draws on our experiences running workshops, events and interacting with communities across the country. It presents a broad range of opportunities to the reader that she or he can pursue in a fun and interactive step by step fashion. We are really excited to distribute our knowledge of living sustainably in this way," said Ridder about the book. ([Read more](#))

### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** AP Cabinet

**What:** approves 'EBC Nestam' Welfare Scheme for providing Financial Assistance to Women

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

From the financial year 2021-22, an assistance of Rs 15,000 per year will be extended to women in the age group of 45-60 from Economically Backward Classes (EBCs) belonging to upper castes such as Brahmin, Vysya, Velama, Kshatriya, Kamma, Reddy, and Muslims among others on the lines of Kapu Nestham and YSR Cheyutha. A decision to this effect was taken in the Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Tuesday. The new scheme -- EBC Nestham -- has been allocated Rs 670 crore and for the next three years, beneficiaries will be provided Rs 15,000 as financial assistance per annum. It will be implemented in November and is expected to benefit 6 lakh women.

The Cabinet also approved the Welfare Programme Calendar for the financial year 2021-22 in which dates have been fixed for the implementation of 23 different welfare programmes. Briefing the media, Minister for Information and Public Relations Perni Venkataramaiah (Nani) said in April, Vasathi Deevena will be implemented, benefiting 15.56 lakh students. Jagananna Vidya Deevena (Total fee reimbursement) for 18.18 lakh student beneficiaries will be implemented in April, July, December and February 2022. In April, interest free loan dues (Rabi 2019, Kharif 2020) will be provided to 66.11 lakh beneficiaries. In the same month, interest free loans for 90.37 lakh DWCR women will also be provided. ([Read more](#))



## 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Renowned Author, Karan Puri

**What:** Launches his Second Book #Me Too

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021

Bestselling Indian author, columnist and influencer Karan Puri launches his second book #Me Too. Karan commits a part of his proceeds towards a women-focused NGO working for sexual abuse. Karan Puri According to Karan Puri, "There are six stories in the book and each story is an eye-opener shedding light on a very pertinent issue which is 'Me Too' and sexual abuse. Karan Puri is an Indian author and columnist. Karan is a freelance writer in Lifestyle for various publications, a mentor in a few start-ups and also runs his own digital marketing consultancy. ([Read more](#))

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Ankita Raina

**What:** off the mark in the big league

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021

At the Phillip Island Trophy, a WTA 250 event tucked into a small corner of Melbourne Park – away from the glitz of the Australian Open – India's Ankita Raina paired up with Russian teenager Kamilla Rakhimova to beat the Russian duo Anna Blinkova and Anastasia Potapova 2-6, 6-4, 10-7 for the biggest title win of her career.

One can imagine what goes through the mind after winning a tennis tour event. Happiness, excitement, a touch (or maybe more) of exhaustion. And there's the time to celebrate. Revel in the experience of having accomplished a target, and perhaps put feet up to recover before you try to do it all over again. For Raina though, on Friday, there was not much time for her to spare after claiming the big title.

On court, she bent down after the last point, before going on to hug her partner. But that's as much time she had to celebrate. She had another plane to catch, and a lot of packing to do. ([Read more](#))

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Sri Lanka Opener Upul Tharanga

**What:** Announces Retirement From International Cricket

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Sri Lanka batsman Upul Tharanga on Tuesday announced his retirement from international cricket with immediate effect, ending a 15-year long career.





Tharanga last played for Sri Lanka in an ODI against South Africa in March 2019. He appeared in 31 matches in the longest format of the game scoring 1754 runs and amassed 407 runs in 26 T20Is.

"As the good old saying goes, 'All good things must come to an end'. I believe it is time for me to bid farewell to my International Cricket Career after over 15 years of giving the game my all. I leave behind a road traveled with fond memories and great friendships," Tharanga said in a statement.

"I am thankful to Sri Lanka Cricket for always having faith and the trust vested in me. I am grateful to the many Cricket Loving Fans, friends and my family for standing by me during my highest of highs and even at my lowest points in my career," he added.

In a letter sent to Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC), Tharanga thanked SLC for the support and the guidance rendered to him during his cricketering career.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Scientists

**What:** Discovered Cremanthodium indicum, New Alpine Plant Species in Arunachal Pradesh

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

A new species of alpine plant in Arunachal Pradesh's Tawang district has been discovered by a group of scientists of three institutes of the country, according to a journal that published their research paper. The new species belongs to the family of Himalayan sunflower, North Eastern Regional Institute of Science and Technology research fellow Dr Lobsang Tashi Thungon, who is a member of the team, said. The discovery of the species was published in the international peer-reviewed publication Biodiversitas: Journal of Biological Diversity, he said.

"It is named as Cremanthodium indicum and the plant species, which generally flowers from July to August, is endemic to Penga-Teng Tso Lake of Tawang district, where it was discovered," he said.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** UAE

**What:** published the first image for its Mars probe now circling the red planet

**When:** published on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2021

The United Arab Emirates on Sunday published the first image for its Mars probe now circling the red planet.

The picture, taken Wednesday, shows sunlight just coming across the surface of Mars. It shows Mars' north pole, as well as Mars' largest volcano, Olympus Mons.

The image comes from its "Amal," or "Hope," space probe.



The probe swung into orbit around Mars on Tuesday in a triumph for the Arab world's first interplanetary mission.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** NTPC

**What:** inks pact to buy GAIL's 25.51 per cent stake in RGPPL

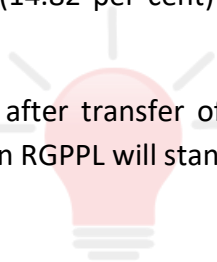
**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

State-owned NTPC on Tuesday said it has signed a share purchase agreement to buy GAIL's 25.51 per cent stake in Ratnagiri Gas and Power Pvt Ltd (RGPPL), which is commonly known as Dabhol project.

After the transaction is complete, NTPC would have 86.49 per cent stake in the RGPPL. Earlier in January, the company had announced acquiring 35.47 per cent stake in RGPPL from its lenders. Initially, NTPC and GAIL had 25.51 per cent stake each in the Dabhol project.

"NTPC Ltd has executed share purchase agreements with GAIL (India) Ltd on February 23, 2021, for purchase of GAIL's share (25.51 per cent) in Ratnagiri Gas and Power Pvt Ltd (RGPPL) and sale of NTPC's share (14.82 per cent) (on fully dilutive basis) in Konkan LNG Ltd (KLL)," according to a BSE filing.

It added that after transfer of shares as per the agreements, NTPC will exit from KLL, and NTPC's shareholding in RGPPL will stand at 86.49 per cent.[\(Read more\)](#)



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## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** President Ram Nath Kovind

**What:** Accepts Resignation Of Puducherry Chief Minister

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

President Ram Nath Kovind has accepted the resignation of Puducherry Chief Minister V Narayanasamy and his council of ministers, a notification by the Union Home Ministry issued said on Tuesday.

The resignations were submitted after the Narayanaswamy-led Congress government lost the floor test held in Puducherry Assembly on Monday.

A notification of the Union Home Ministry issued today said: "The President has been pleased to accept the resignation of V. Narayanasamy Chief Minister of Puducherry along with his council of Ministers with effect from February 22."

Mr Narayanasamy had resigned on February 22 ahead of a floor test after his government lost majority in the 33-member House following the resignations of five Congress and one Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK) legislators in recent weeks.[\(Read more\)](#)



## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Stellapps

**What:** signs pact with IPPB to digitise milk procurement

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Leading dairy-tech startup Stellapps on Tuesday announced that it has signed an agreement with India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) to digitize the dairy milk procurement value chain and promote banking facilities at milk collection centres.

As part of the memorandum of understanding, a pilot project has been launched in 4 villages with 200 farmers at a greenfield dairy in Dharmapuri district of Tamil Nadu. Through the tie-up with IPPB, Stellapps is aiming to bring dairy farmers in the financial mainstream across villages in Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Bihar, and Rajasthan in the coming months.

One of the major challenges faced by small dairy farmers in rural areas is the non-availability of cash and lack of other banking & financial services. IPPB will provide access to cash and other banking services like deposits, Aadhar enabled payment services (AePS), domestic money transfer, bill payments, and other related services. Under the tie-up, Stellapps is leveraging IPPB's expansive last-mile distribution network of over 136,000 post offices and nearly 190,000 postmen and Grameen Dak Sevaks, equipped with smartphones and biometric devices. ([Read more](#))

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Goa Shipyard

**What:** To Build Navy's Damage Control Simulator In Port Blair

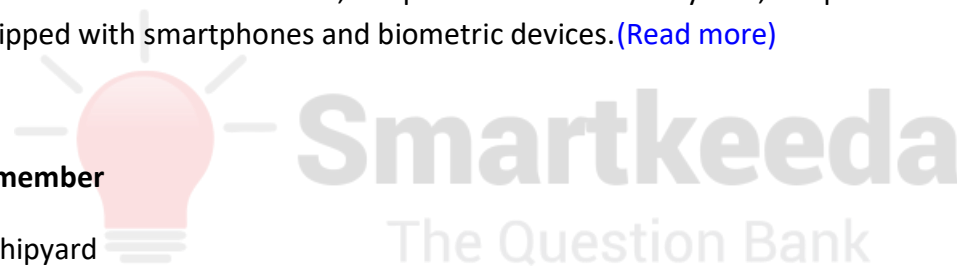
**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Andaman and Nicobar Command chief Lt Gen Manoj Pande on Saturday laid the foundation stone for the Damage Control Training Facility, an important simulator for training of Naval personnel for managing battle damage on board warships at Port Blair.

With the foundation laying, the Goa Shipyards Limited (GSL) is all set to build state-of-the-art Damage Control Simulator (DCS) for the Navy.

According to a release issued by GSL on Saturday, the company signed the contract with the Navy for the setting-up of DCS on August 7, 2020.

"With the signing of this contract, GSL has consolidated its position in the supply of ship Simulators for Damage Control. As on date, GSL has built 6 simulators of various types for Defence Forces, which also includes the export of one simulator to a neighboring country," it said. ([Read more](#))



#### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Union Minister Prakash Javadekar

**What:** Inaugurated Atal Paryavaran Bhavan in Lakshadweep

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Prakash Javadekar inaugurated the Atal Paryavaran Bhavan at Lakshadweep. He said that Lakshadweep will undergo a comprehensive development, without compromising its commitment to nature. He reached Kavaratti in Lakshadweep today morning on a four day official visit.

He attended high level meetings with Secretaries of various departments in Lakshadweep administration. Tomorrow and day after tomorrow he will take part in various official programmes at Suheli, Kadmat and Bangaram islands. He will also evaluate the major innovative initiatives of the Union Territory's Forest and Environment Department. He will leave for Delhi on Monday. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Cochin Shipyard

**What:** bags Rs 10,000-crore Navy order for six missile vessels

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Cochin Shipyard on Tuesday said it has emerged as the lowest bidder for a Rs 10,000-crore contract by the Indian Navy, to build Next Generation Missile Vessels.

The state-owned company has emerged as a forerunner in the Indian shipbuilding and ship repair industry that can build and repair the largest vessels in India.

"At the meeting held today (February 23) at the Ministry of Defence, New Delhi, Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL) has been declared as L1 (the lowest bidder) in the tender floated by the Indian Navy for construction of six... Next Generation Missile Vessels (NGMV)," CSL said in a regulatory filing to the BSE. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 18th Edition of BioAsia 2021

**What:** held in Hyderabad

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021

The 18th Edition of BioAsia 2021 was conducted virtually from Hyderabad during the dates of February 22-23, 2021. Organized by the Telangana Government, BioAsia is Asia's Largest Life Sciences & healthcare forum. It is also a flagship event of the Telangana Government.



Theme – Move the Needle

It is the 18th edition in the annual series and was held virtually for the first time.

It was inaugurated by KT Rama Rao, Minister for Industries & Commerce, Government of Telangana

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** EPS

**What:** inaugurates Asia's largest Livestock Research Centre in Salem

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami on Monday inaugurated the Advanced Institute of Integrated Research in Livestock and Animal Science (AIIRLAS), the largest in Asia, near Thalaivasal. The facility was constructed at Rs 1,023 crore and spans 1,100 acres. Water for the AIIRLAS is drawn from the Cauvery river from Poolampatti at a cost of Rs 260 crore.

Speaking on the occasion, Palaniswami refuted DMK chief Stalin's charge that the State government was delaying development projects. "DMK leader Stalin keeps saying that I only lay foundation stone for projects and not complete the schemes. The AIIRLAS is the best example to prove Stalin is spreading falsehood. I laid the foundation stone for the project last year and here I am inaugurating it. I have also issued admission orders for students to join veterinary colleges in Thalaivasal, Theni and Udumalaipettai." [\(Read more\)](#)

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** DAC

**What:** approves acquisition proposals worth Rs 13,700 crore for armed forces

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) on Tuesday approved capital acquisition proposals of various weapons, platforms, equipment required by the three armed forces and accorded three Acceptance of Necessities (AoNs) for an overall cost of Rs 13,700 crore. All these AoNs are in the highest priority category of defence acquisition --- 'Buy [Indian-IDDM (Indigenously Designed, Developed and Manufactured)].

"The Defence Acquisition Council (DAC), under the chairmanship of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, has approved capital acquisition proposals of various weapons/ platforms/ equipment/ systems required by the Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force, in New Delhi on February 23, 2021," the Defence Ministry said. All these acquisition proposals will be indigenously designed, developed and manufactured. [\(Read more\)](#)



## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Assam government

**What:** decides to appoint sprinter Hima Das as DSP

**When:** published on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Assam Chief Minister Sarbanand Sonwal in a meeting Council of Ministers (CoM) at Janata Bhawan, Guwahati on Wednesday decided to appoint ace sprinter Hima Das as a Deputy Superintendent of Police in the state.

The cabinet also amended the integrated sports policy of the state for the appointment of sportspersons as Class-I and Class-II officers in different departments of the state government.

"The CoM approved amendment to the Integrated Sports Policy for the State providing for appointment to medal winners of Olympics, Asian Games, CWG (Class 1) and medal winners of World Championships senior (Class 2) officers. Hima Das will be appointed as Deputy Superintendent," the official Twitter handle of Chief Minister of Assam wrote. ([Read more](#))

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 10th World Pangolin Day

**What:** was observed on 20th February 2021

The World Pangolin Day is celebrated on the "Third Saturday of February" every year.

In 2021, the annual World Pangolin Day is being celebrated on 20 February 2020. It marks the 10th edition of the event.

The day aims to raise awareness about these unique mammals and speed up conservation efforts. Pangolin numbers are rapidly declining in Asia and Africa.





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