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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

January GA Quiz 7

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

1. Who among the following has become the first woman to command US nuclear carrier in US Navy history?

- A. Amy Bauernschmidt B. Louisa May Alcott C. Mary Barrett Dyer
D. Anne Bradstreet E. None of these

2. Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi has recently inaugurated the New Integrated Terminal Building at Maharaja Bir Bikram Airport in which city?

- A. Imphal B. Shillong C. Agartala
D. Kohima E. None of these

3. _____ has become first RT-PCR kit approved by ICMR to detect Omicron.

- A. OmiCure B. OmiSecure C. OmiSure
D. OmiSafe E. None of these

4. Who among the following has been appointed as the president of the US-India Business Council (USIBC)?

- A. Raman Reddy B. Atul Keshap C. Harindar Pal Singh
D. Manmohan Verma E. None of these

5. Which country has recently become the 102nd country to join International Solar Alliance?

- A. Saint Kitts and Nevis B. Dominica C. Antigua and Barbuda
D. Anguilla E. None of these

6. Which country's 'artificial sun' nuclear fusion reactor has set a new world record after running at 126 million°F (70 million°C) for 1,056 seconds (more than 17 minutes)?

- A. Japan B. South Korea C. North Korea
D. China E. None of these

7. Who among the following from India has been named the new Chair of the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC)?

- A. T. S. Tirumurti B. Syed Akbaruddin C. Harsh Vardhan Shringla
D. Vikas Swarup E. None of these

8. Which organization has recently appointed Ajay Kumar Choudhary and Deepak Kumar as the new executive directors (ED)?

- A. Reserve Bank of India B. Securities and Exchange Board of India C. State Bank of India
D. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority E. None of these

9. The Power Ministry has distributed 36.78 crore LED lights under the UJALA programme, which saved 47,778 million units of electricity per annum. UJALA programme was launched in which year?

- A. 2011 B. 2015 C. 2008
D. 2021 E. None of these

10. Ganjam district of which state has been declared as Child Marriage Free?

- A. Chhattisgarh B. Madhya Pradesh C. Odisha
D. Maharashtra E. None of these

11. Which Payments Bank has been categorized as a scheduled bank by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

- A. Airtel Payments Bank B. Jio Payments Bank C. Fino Payments Bank
D. India Post Payments Bank E. None of these

12. Which of the following banks has recently announced that for the purpose of lending it has replaced London Inter-Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR) with Alternate Reference Rate (ARR)?

- A. Syndicate Bank B. Canara Bank C. Indian Bank
D. Union Bank of India E. None of these

13. Which state government and natural gas firm GAIL have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the production of eco-friendly fuels in the state?

- A. Telangana B. Tamil Nadu C. Karnataka
D. Odisha E. None of these

14. World Day of War Orphans was recently observed on which date?

- A. January 3 B. January 4 C. January 5
D. January 6 E. None of these

15. Neil Nongkynrih passed away recently. He was a/an _____ .

- A. Music composer B. Book writer C. Entrepreneur
D. Socialist E. None of these

16. The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) is organizing a three-day national convention starting from 6 January 2022 in which city?

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

17. Which of the following states has decided to give Rs 2,000 as a one-time internet allowance to all the students studying at higher educational institutions?

- A. Rajasthan B. Jharkhand C. Punjab
D. Haryana E. None of these

18. Who among the following has recently launched six brands developed as part of the 'One District-One Product' approach?

- A. Ram Vilas Paswan B. Pashupati Kumar Paras C. Ashwini Vaishnaw
D. Bhupender Yadav E. None of these



19. Which Mutual Fund Company has launched an Exchange Traded Fund which tracks performance of Nifty Midcap 50 index?

- A. SBI Mutual Fund B. Axis Mutual Fund C. Kotak Mutual Fund
D. L&T Mutual Fund E. None of these

20. Hero Future Energies and _____ have announced a strategic partnership to build 1,000 MW of green hydrogen production facilities in India, the UK and Europe.

- A. NEC Corporation India B. Ohmium International C. Tracxn Technologies Limited
D. Bosch Limited 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
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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Navy Captain Amy Bauernschmidt

What: Becomes 1st Woman to Command US Nuclear Carrier

When: published on 4th January 2022

The USS Abraham Lincoln deployed this week from San Diego under the command of Capt. Amy Bauernschmidt, the first woman to lead a nuclear carrier in U.S. Navy history.

Bauernschmidt, who previously served as the Abraham Lincoln's executive officer from 2016 to 2019, took over command from Capt. Walt Slaughter during a ceremony last August, CBS 8 in San Diego reported.

The carrier deployed Monday from Naval Air Station North Island as part of the Abraham Lincoln Carrier Strike Group.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Prime Minister

What: inaugurates new integrated terminal building of Maharaja Bir Bikram Airport in Agartala

When: published on 4th January 2022

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday inaugurated the integrated terminal at Maharaja Bir Bikram (MBB) Airport in Tripura's capital, Agartala, as he arrived in the city from Imphal, the capital of the neighbouring Manipur, where he inaugurated and laid foundation stone of a total of 22 developmental projects.

PM Modi also launched two key initiatives on the occasion: Mukhyamantri Tripura Gram Samridhhi Yojana and Project 100 Mission of Vidyajyoti Schools.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: 'Omisure'

What: Becomes First RT-PCR Kit Approved By ICMR To Detect Omicron Variant Of COVID

When: published on 4th January 2022

In a major development, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has now approved an RT-PCR kit to detect the Omicron variant of the COVID-19. The newly approved testing kit is expected to detect the presence of the new variant of the coronavirus in patients. The RT-PCR kit, Omisure, was earlier sent to the ICMR for approval after continued testing.

Amid rising concern over the surge in Omicron cases, the ICMR has now approved Omisure, the RT-PCR kit for targeted testing among patients. The test kit developed by Tata Medical & Diagnostics, Mumbai, for detection of the Omicron variant was announced on December 30. The kit is now the only one in India used to confirm the Omicron variant in patients with its S-Gene Target Failure (SGTF) strategy. The multiplex kit is being marketed by US-based Thermo Fisher.

The kit comes as a major aid as analysing the Omicron variant have been an issue among medical experts. Since the Omicron variant underwent several mutations in the S-gene, the SGTF strategy checks and indicates it in patients who are detected COVID positive. However, the kit is expected to be more expensive compared to regular test kits owing to its increased research and development in technology. Earlier on December 17, the ICMR had invited pharma companies to submit an Expression of Interest (EoI) to commercialise diagnostic kits developed for the detection of the Omicron variant of the coronavirus.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Ambassador Atul Keshap

What: appointed head of US-India Business Council

When: published on 4th January 2022

The US Chamber of Commerce said ambassador Atul Keshap was being appointed as president of the US-India Business Council (USIBC) effective from January 5.

Keshap most recently served in New Delhi as United States Chargé d'Affaires to India, leading the US Embassy team, it said in a statement.

The Indian-origin Keshap has held a number of senior US government positions and is a 28-year veteran of the US Department of State.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Antigua and Barbuda

What: joins India led International Solar Alliance

When: published on 5th January 2022

To catalyze global energy transition through a solar-led approach, on Tuesday (Jan 4, 2022), the Government of Antigua and Barbuda joined the International Solar Alliance (ISA).

In the presence of the Indian High Commissioner Dr KJ Srinivasa, Antigua Prime Minister Gaston Browne inked the framework agreement of ISA, making it the 102nd country to join this agreement.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: China's artificial Sun

What: sets world record, runs 70 million°C for 17mins

When: published on 5th January 2022

China's 'artificial sun' nuclear fusion reactor in Hefei has set a new world record after running at 126 million°F (70 million°C) for 1,056 seconds – more than 17 minutes.

This record, set on December 30, marks the longest running duration for an experimental advanced superconducting tokamak (EAST) fusion energy reactor, Xinhua News Agency reports.

EAST already set a previous record in May by running for 101 seconds at a higher temperature – 216 million°F (120 million°C).

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: India's TS Tirumurti

What: assumes new chair of UN Counter-Terrorism Committee

When: published on 5th January 2022

TS Tirumurti, India's permanent representative to the United Nations was named the new Chair of the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) on Tuesday (local time).

Prior to taking up his current position as Permanent Representative of India to the United Nations, in May 2020, Tirumurti served as Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, handling the Economic

Relations portfolio (which included, inter alia, the Gulf and the Arab World, Africa, and India's Development Partnership), according to UNSC statement.

Tirumurti previously served at the Embassy of India to Egypt, in Cairo; at the Permanent Mission of India to the United Nations in Geneva; as the first Representative of India to the Palestinian Authority, in Gaza; as Counsellor in the Embassy of India to the United States, in Washington. DC; as Deputy Chief of Mission in the Embassy of India to Indonesia, in Jakarta; and as High Commissioner of India to Malaysia, in Kuala Lumpur, the statement further said.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Deepak Kumar, Ajay Kumar Choudhary

What: appointed as new executive directors of RBI

When: published on 5th January 2022

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has appointed Ajay Kumar Choudhary and Deepak Kumar as the new executive directors (ED).

According to the RBI statement, the appointment of the new EDs has been made with effect from January 3, 2021.

Prior to being elevated as ED, Ajay Choudhary was serving as the Chief General Manager-in-Charge, Department of Supervision of the Central Bank.

Meanwhile, Deepak Kumar was serving as the chief of the Information Technology department of RBI.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

What: distributes 36.78 cr LEDs under UJALA scheme

When: published on 5th January 2022

The Power Ministry has distributed 36.78 crore LED lights under the UJALA programme in seven years, which saved 47,778 million units of electricity per annum. Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA) was launched by the Prime Minister on January 5, 2015.

In a short span, the programme has evolved to be the world's largest zero-subsidy domestic lighting scheme that addresses concerns like high electrification costs and high emissions that result from inefficient lighting, a power ministry statement said.



According to the statement, as of today, more than 36.78 crore LEDs have been distributed across the country.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Odisha's Ganjam district

What: is now free of child marriages

When: published on 5th January 2022

Odisha's Ganjam district was declared child marriage-free January 3, 2022, district collector Vijay Amruta Kulange said.

"We decided to declare the district free of child marriage after collecting detailed information about all weddings that took place in 2020 and 2021," Kulange said at an event organised at the district headquarters.

The district administration has increased the reward for people informing about the occurrence of child marriage to Rs 50,000 from Rs 5,000.

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



11. Hints to Remember

Who: Airtel Payments Bank

What: gets permission to function as scheduled bank from RBI

When: published on 5th January 2022

Airtel Payments Bank said it has been categorised as a scheduled bank by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

With this, Airtel Payments Bank can now pitch for government-issued Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and primary auctions and undertake both central and state government business, besides participating in government-operated welfare schemes, it said in a statement.

"In a boost to its fast growing digital banking footprint, Airtel Payments Bank has been categorised as Scheduled Bank by the Reserve Bank of India," it said.

Airtel Payments Bank is among the fastest-growing digital banks in the country, with a base of 115 million users. It offers a suite of digital solutions through the Airtel Thanks app and a retail network of over 500,000 neighbourhood banking points.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Bank of India

What: starts lending in Alternate Reference Rate (ARR)

When: published on 5th January 2022

Union Bank of India (UBI) through its International Banking Division, on Wednesday announced that it has started lending in Alternate Reference Rate (ARR) replacing London Inter-Bank Offered Rate (LIBOR) in line with regulatory requirements.

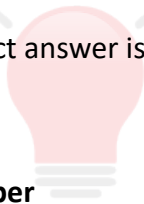
With this, Union Bank of India is among the first few Banks in India to adopt ARR.

LIBOR transition is one of the important events globally as it shall affect all the stakeholders in the International Market, the bank said in a release.

The transition from LIBOR and the adoption of accepted Alternative Reference Rates (ARRs) developed in various jurisdictions is significant and needs careful preparation to manage potential customer protection, reputational and litigation risks as well as avoid disruptions to the safety and resilience of financial institutions and overall financial stability of the economy.

The Alternate Reference rate includes Secured overnight financing rate (SOFR) for USD loans, Sterling Overnight Interbank Average (SONIA) for GBP loans.

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



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13. Hints to Remember

Who: Odisha government, GAIL

What: sign MoU for clean energy projects

When: published on 6th January 2022

The Odisha government and natural gas firm Gail signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the production of eco-friendly fuels in the state.

The agreement was signed by the public sector unit and the Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation of Odisha (Ipicol) in Bhubaneswar, according to a release.

The MoU seeks to prepare a feasibility study for setting up plants in areas of green hydrogen, green ammonia and renewable energy like solar and wind, the Ipicol said.

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



14. Hints to Remember

Who: World Day of War Orphans

What: was observed on 6 January

World Day of War Orphans 2022: The World Day of War Orphans is observed on January 6 every year. The day aims to raise awareness about children who have been orphaned due to wars. The objective of the day ensures to voice out the predicament of war orphans and highlight the emotional, social, and physical challenges children face while growing up.

According to unicef.org, "There were nearly 140 million orphans globally in 2015, including 61 million in Asia, 52 million in Africa, 10 million in Latin America and the Caribbean, and 7.3 million in Eastern Europe and Central Asia."

The evidence clearly shows that millions of children have become orphaned; the vast majority of orphans are living with a surviving parent, grandparent, or other family members. 95 percent of all orphans are over the age of five. Orphans are relatively fewer in numbers in developed countries. But, in places that have been subjected to wars and great epidemics, their numbers are considerably higher.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Padma Shri awardee Neil Nongkynrih

What: passes away

When: published on 6th January 2022

The founder and music director of Shillong Chamber Choir, Neil Nongkynrih, passed away on Wednesday evening in Mumbai, leaving behind a memorable legacy. According to a statement from the choir's members and management, the Padma Shri recipient died at 51, because of "septicaemia due to perforation peritonitis".

The multi-genre choir, set up by him in 2001, shot to fame after winning India's Got Talent in 2010. They also performed at the Rashtrapati Bhavan for then US President Barak Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama, during their India visit.

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



16. Hints to Remember

Who: ICSI

What: is organizing three-day national convention in Bengaluru

When: published on 5th January 2022

The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) will organise a three-day national convention starting from Thursday in Bengaluru, its president C S Nagendra D Rao said. With the theme of "Good Governance: The Universal Dharma", the apex body of company secretaries would deliberate on various issues related to good governance with special focus on charity and corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives in its 49th national convention, Rao said in a statement on Wednesday.

The ICSI convention will also deliberate on ease of doing business, skill development, and entrepreneurship among other themes.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Punjab government

What: approves one-time internet allowance for students

When: published on 5th January 2022

The Punjab cabinet evening decided to give INR 2,000 as one-time internet allowance to all students studying in higher educational institutions to help them attend online classes in the wake of rising COVID-19 cases.

The decision will help nearly 8.67 lakh students, said Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi while addressing the media after the cabinet meeting.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt. of India

What: launches six brands developed as part of 'One District-One Product' approach under PMFME scheme

When: published on 6th January 2022

Food Processing Industries Minister Pashupati Kumar Paras launched six brands developed as part of the 'One District-One Product' approach under the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises Scheme in New Delhi yesterday. The products are Amrit Phal, Cori Gold,

Kashmiri Mantra, Madhu Mantra, Somdana, and Whole Wheat Cookies of Dilli Bakes. The Ministry has signed an agreement with NAFED for developing ten brands of selected One District One Product under the branding and marketing component of the scheme. According to NAFED, all the products come in unique and attractive packaging to ensure a longer shelf life of the product and keeping it fresh.

The Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises Scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme that aims to enhance the competitiveness of existing individual micro-enterprises in the unorganized segment of the food processing industry and to provide support to Farmer Producer Organizations, Self Help Groups, and Producers Cooperatives along their entire value chain.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund

What: Launches Midcap 50 Exchange Traded Fund

When: published on 6th January 2022

The country's leading fund house Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund has launched an Exchange Traded Fund which tracks performance of Nifty Midcap 50 index. Named as Kotak Midcap 50 ETF, is an open ended scheme that will track the Nifty Midcap 50 Index. The New Fund Offer opened today, January 6 and will close on January 20.

"The new fund offering (NFO) is benchmarked against the Nifty Midcap 50 Index (TRI), which captures the movement of the mid-cap segment of the market. Since 2004, in 11 out of 18 years, the Nifty Midcap 50 Index has performed better than both Nifty 50 and Nifty 500. Additionally, Nifty Midcap 50 has given a CAGR return of 44.9 per cent year-to-date compared to 25.6 per cent for Nifty 50 and 31.6 per cent for Nifty 500," Kotak Mutual Fund said in a press release.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Hero Future

What: ties up with Ohmium to set up green hydrogen facilities

When: published on 7th January 2022

Hero Future Energies and Ohmium International on Thursday announced a strategic partnership to build 1,000 MW of green hydrogen production facilities in India, the UK and Europe. While Hero Future will assume the overall ownership of the assets, Ohmium will be responsible for the design, construction, and operations and maintenance of the facilities. Hero Future will also supply renewable energy to produce green hydrogen. The financial details of the tie-up were not disclosed.

The development comes at a time when the government is planning to come up with a PLI scheme for setting up electrolyser manufacturing capacities to expedite the uptake of green hydrogen. Electrolysers are used to make green hydrogen using electricity generated from renewable sources. Prime Minister Narendra Modi had on August 15 last year announced the National Hydrogen Mission as the government explores ways to reduce dependence on imported products such as crude oil and natural gas.

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





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