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October GA Quiz 13

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

1. Which of the following countries has recently become first nation to be awarded Blue Flag certification for 8 beaches in a single attempt?

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

2. The 2020 International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. 10 October B. 11 October C. 12 October
D. 13 October E. None of these

3. Forest Department of which state has rescued an Olive Ridley turtle in Ramanathapuram?

- A. Kerala B. Karnataka C. Tamil Nadu
D. Maharashtra E. None of these

4. Which of the following state government has decided to form a Welfare Fund Board for the uplift of farmers in the state?

- A. Kerala B. Karnataka C. Maharashtra
D. Tamil Nadu E. None of these

5. A toll-free government helpline for mental health "Mann Samvad" was launched by which of the following state?

- A. Gujarat B. Jharkhand C. Uttar Pradesh
D. Rajasthan E. None of these

6. Who among the following has inaugurated the "DBT-BIRAC Clean Tech Demo Park" at Barapullah drain site, near Sundial Park, Sarai Kale Khan, New Delhi in a virtual event?

- A. Harsh Vardhan B. Prakash Javadekar C. Ramesh Pokhriyal
D. Piyush Goyal E. None of these

7. The World Economic Forum (WEF) is going to hold its Annual Meeting 2021 in _____ from May 18 to 21.

- A. Lucerne B. Zürich C. Bern
D. Lausanne E. None of these

8. Who among the following has recently won the Junior Speed Chess Championship?

- A. Nihal Sarin B. Vidit Gujrathi C. Pentala Harikrishna
D. Srinath Narayanan E. None of these



9. Who among the following has recently made history after matching Michael Schumacher's Formula One victory record by winning the Eifel Grand Prix?

- A. Sebastian Vettel B. Valtteri Bottas C. Lewis Hamilton
D. Charles Leclerc E. None of these

10. Which of the following IITs has designed a robotic system capable of identifying the diseases plaguing plants through camera-captured image analysis?

- A. IIT Mumbai B. IIT Delhi C. IIT Kharagpur
D. IIT Kolkata E. None of these

11. Which of the following countries has become the first country to approve genetically modified wheat?

- A. Chile B. Argentina C. Uruguay
D. Bolivia E. None of these

12. The 2020 World Arthritis Day was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. October 11 B. October 12 C. October 13
D. October 10 E. None of these

13. Who among the following has been named UEFA Men's Player of the Year for 2019/20?

- A. Serge Gnabry B. Robert Lewandowski C. Cristiano Ronaldo
D. Thomas Müller E. None of these

14. Which of the following ships was/were declared as Best Ships in Fleet Award Function 2020?

- A. INS Shivalik B. INS Sahyadri C. INS Kora
D. A and B E. B and C

15. Edappadi K. Palaniswami of which state has signed 14 Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) entailing investments to the tune of ₹10, 055 crore with potential to generate employment for over 7,000 people?

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

16. World Obesity Day 2020 has moved from 11th October to _____.

- A. 4th January B. 4th February C. 4th March
D. 4th April E. None of these

17. Name the person who is known as Vijay in the Kannada film industry, passed away recently.

- A. K. C. Bokadia B. Vajramuni C. B. Vijaya Reddy
D. Thoogudeepa Srinivas E. None of these

18. Carlton Chapman passed away recently. He was related to which of the following sports?

- A. Cricket B. Football C. Tennis
D. Badminton E. None of these



19. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) launched the Nirbhay Cruise Missile from Odisha's test facility, the mission was aborted due to technical snag. What is strike range of that Missile?

- A. 800 to 1, 000 Kms B. 900 to 1100 Kms C. 500 to 800 Kms
D. 600 to 900 Kms E. None of these

20. Rajnath Singh has virtually inaugurated 44 bridges built by BRO and Lays Foundation Stone for Nechipu Tunnel in which state?

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



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Correct answer:

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

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: becomes first nation to be awarded Blue Flag certification for 8 beaches in a single attempt

When: published on 12th October 2020

Operated by Foundation for Environmental Education, Denmark, Blue Flag is an iconic voluntary award for beaches, marinas and sustainable boating tourism operators which is awarded to those that meet and maintain the criterias of a series of stringent environmental, educational, safety and accessibility. In a first, eight of India's beaches including Shivrajpur (Dwarka-Gujarat), Ghoghla (Diu), Kasarkod and Padubidri (Karnataka), Kappad (Kerala), Rushikonda (AP), Golden Beach (Odisha) and Radhanagar (A&N Islands) got the eco-label of Blue Flag in a row. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction 2020

What: was observed on 13th October

The United Nations in 1989 designated October 13 as the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction, for promoting 'a global culture of risk-awareness and disaster reduction' to reduce the impact of calamities on human beings and other life forms on our planet earth.

This year, amid the crisis unleashed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction focuses attention on the need to have 'good governance' for saving lives and reducing the number of people affected by disasters. As more people around the world are getting infected with the novel coronavirus, the strengths and weaknesses of different institutions of governance are getting revealed.

While human beings do not have control over disasters such as earthquakes, floods, cyclones, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis and storms as they are sudden, good governance at the local, national and global level can certainly mitigate the death risk and economic loss due to these events. UN says, "COVID-19 and the climate emergency are telling us that we need a clear vision, plans and competent, empowered institutions acting on scientific evidence for the public good." [\(Read more\)](#)



3. Hints to Remember

Who: Forest Department of Tamil Nadu

What: rescued an Olive Ridley turtle in Ramanathapuram

When: published on 12th October 2020

The Forest Department in Ramanathapuram district on Sunday rescued an adult Olive Ridley turtle that was caught in a fishing net and released it into the Palk Bay at Panaikulam seashore on Sunday.

Ramanathapuram Forest Range Officer S. Sathish said that department personnel rushed to the spot on Sunday after local fishermen informed officials that an Olive Ridley turtle was caught in a fishing net.

The adult turtle weighed around 35 kg, the forest range officer said. [\(Read more\)](#)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Kerala govt

What: sets up welfare board for farmers

When: published on 8th October 2020

In a first in the country, the Kerala government has decided to form a Welfare Fund Board for the uplift of farmers in the state.

The state cabinet on Wednesday decided to set up the board to be known as 'Kerala Karshaka Kshemanidhi Board'.

The cabinet also decided that Dr P Rajendran would be appointed as the chairman of the Kerala Farmers Welfare Fund Board.

"This is the first time in the country that such a board has been set up for the welfare and uplift of farmers," an official press release said. [\(Read more\)](#)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Rajasthan

What: Launches Toll-free Helpline For Mental Health Services

When: published on 10th October 2020

A toll-free government helpline for mental health "Mann Samvad" was launched on Saturday in Rajasthan.



While inaugurating the helpline 1800-180-0018, Health Minister Raghu Sharma said the state government has been continuously strengthening mental health services during the coronavirus period.

Sharma informed the facility of free tele-counselling is being provided to patients with mental health issues that through the helpline. He said the government is fully sensitive towards the mental health of patients.[\(Read more\)](#)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Dr Harsh Vardhan

What: Inaugurates DBT-BIRAC Clean Tech Demo Park In Delhi

When: published on 9th October 2020

Union Minister for Science and Technology Dr Harsh Vardhan on Thursday inaugurated the "DBT-BIRAC Clean Tech Demo Park" at Barapullah drain site, near Sundial Park, Sarai Kale Khan, New Delhi in a virtual event.

Clean Tech Demo Park at Barapullah drain site is a Department of Biotechnology (DBT) initiative that will demonstrate innovative waste-to-value technologies.

Speaking at the occasion, Dr Harsh Vardhan said that "this Clean Tech Demo Park would be a good attraction not only for Innovators, Investors but also for students and common public for awareness and popularization of clean technological solution for waste management".[\(Read more\)](#)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: WEF

What: shifts annual meeting 2021 from Davos to Lucerne

When: published on 7th October 2020

The World Economic Forum (WEF) on Wednesday said it will hold its Annual Meeting 2021 in Lucerne-Burgenstock, Switzerland, from May 18 to 21, as against the traditional venue of ski resort town Davos in January-end.

The change in schedule and venue was necessitated by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Announcing the new place and schedule, the WEF said the annual meeting will take place as long as all conditions are in place to guarantee the health and safety of participants and the host community.[\(Read more\)](#)



8. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian teenager Nihal Sarin

What: wins Junior Speed Chess Championship

When: published on 11th October 2020

Indian teenager created history on Saturday (October 10) by winning the Chess.com's 2020 Junior Speed Online Chess Championship, defeating Russia's Alexey Sarana 18-7 in the final.

With this win, Sarin, 16, earned USD 8,766 and also qualified for the 2020 Speed Chess Championship Final which will feature the world's best players.

Sarin had registered win over American Andrew Tang, Australia's Anton Smirnov and Armenian Haik Martirosyan in order to set-up a title clash with Sarana.

Magnus Carlsen (2017) and Hikaru Nakamura (2018, 2019) have won the Speed Chess Championship in the past. ([Read more](#))

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Lewis Hamilton

What: equals Michael Schumacher's F1 wins record with 91st win at Eifel GP

When: published on 11th October 2020

Lewis Hamilton has made history after matching Michael Schumacher's Formula One victory record by winning the Eifel Grand Prix.

The British driver started second at the Nurburgring but assumed control of the race on lap 13 when Mercedes team-mate Valtteri Bottas slid off the road.

Despite a late safety car, Hamilton kept his cool to cross the line 4.4 seconds clear of Red Bull's Max Verstappen and claim the 91st win of his remarkable career, 14 years and 10 days after Schumacher's final grand prix triumph in China.

Hamilton also moved 69 points clear of Bottas, who retired from the race with an engine failure, in his quest for a record-equalling seventh world championship. Daniel Ricciardo took the final podium position for Renault. ([Read more](#))

10. Hints to Remember

Who: IIT Kharagpur

What: designs robotic system to identify diseases plaguing plants

When: published on 8th October 2020



IIT Kharagpur has designed a robotic system capable of identifying the diseases plaguing plants through camera-captured image analysis.

The robotic system consists of a tracked vehicle suitable for negotiating rough terrain field, a device mounted on the tracked vehicle capable of holding the camera and pesticide spraying nozzle, a pesticide spraying module, and camera-based vision module, an institute spokesperson said on Thursday.

Prof D K Pratihar, from the Department of Mechanical Engineering who is leading this innovative project said, "Our device can detect the plant diseases using camera and image analysis and consequently remove it." He said this will help the farmers detect the disease accurately in their plants.

Again use of such a device instead of manual operation of spraying pesticide will protect the farmers from related probable health hazards, Pratihar said.[\(Read more\)](#)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Argentina

What: becomes first country to approve genetically modified wheat

When: published on 8th October 2020

Argentina has become the first country to approve genetically modified wheat, the country's national scientific commission announced Thursday.

The commission said in a statement released in Buenos Aires that it had approved a drought-resistant wheat in the world's fourth-largest exporter of the crop.[\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: World Arthritis Day 2020

What: was observed on 12th October 2020

World Arthritis Day is observed on October 12, every year since 1996. World Arthritis Day is observed to raise awareness about Arthritis around the world. The theme of the World Arthritis Day 2020 is "Time2Work". The day is celebrated to raise awareness about arthritis, an inflammatory condition that causes pain and stiffness in joints that can worsen with age.

World Arthritis Day is a special day that unifies people of all ages, races, and genders to raise awareness of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs). Each year, thousands of people all around the world take to social media using the #WorldArthritisDay hashtag on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to celebrate the strength and determination of people with arthritis.[\(Read more\)](#)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Bayern forward Robert Lewandowski

What: has been named UEFA Men's Player of the Year for 2019/20

When: published on 1st October 2020

Bayern forward Robert Lewandowski has been named UEFA Men's Player of the Year for 2019/20.

The Polish international, 32, beat off competition from Manchester City midfielder Kevin De Bruyne and Bayern team-mate Manuel Neuer. The award was announced during the 2020/21 UEFA Champions League group stage draw in Geneva. [\(Read more\)](#)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian Navy Ships Sahyadri And Kora

What: Adjudged 'Best Ships' In Fleet Award Function 2020

When: published on 11th October 2020

Indian Navy organised the Fleet Award Function (FAF) at Visakhapatnam this year to mark the successful performance of the Operational Cycle of the Eastern Fleet on Friday, October 10. According to the reports, FAF 2020 was hosted by Rear Admiral Sanjay Vatsayan, NM Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet, and the Chief Guest for the event was Vice Admiral Atul Kumar Jain, PVSM, AVSM, VSM, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command (ENC). [\(Read more\)](#)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Tamil Nadu CM

What: signs 14 MoUs worth ₹10,055 crore

When: published on 12th October 2020

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami on Monday signed 14 Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) entailing investments to the tune of ₹10, 055 crore with potential to generate employment for over 7,000 people.

These projects will be implemented in Chennai, Chengalpattu, Kancheepuram, Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi, Tenkasi, Ramanathapuram, Tiruppur and Tiruvannamalai districts. Out of these 14 projects, 10 MoUs were exchanged physically while the remaining four were exchanged online.

JSW Renew Energy Limited inked a deal for ₹6,300 crore for a hybrid renewable project for 810 MW in Tuticorin, Tenkasi, Tirunelveli and Tiruppur and a 50 MW captive wind energy project in Rameswaram. The firm has said that it would be providing employment to over 2,420 persons. [\(Read more\)](#)



16. Hints to Remember

Who: World Obesity Day 2020

What: Moved from 11th October to 4th March

When: published on 12th October 2020

The World Obesity Day was annually celebrated on 11th October till 2019. The day was relaunched as the new Unified World Obesity Day on 4th March 2020. The World Obesity day aims to create and raise awareness, encourage advocacy and improve policies on obesity.

The first World Obesity Day was observed on 11th October 2015.

The theme of World Obesity Day 2020 – 4th March 2020 was “The Roots of Obesity Run Deep”.

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Kannada director Vijay Reddy

What: dies at 84 in Chennai

When: published on 10th October 2020

Veteran director Vijay Reddy passed away on Friday (October 9) night in Chennai. He was 84 years old. His son Tripan Reddy confirmed the same on Saturday. He had directed over 40 Kannada films apart from doing Hindi, Telugu, Tamil and Malayalam films. Vijay Reddy's death has come as a huge shock to the Kannada film fraternity.

Some of his notable films include Gandhada Gudi, Naa Ninna Bidalare, Rangamahala Rahasya, Srinivasa Kalyana, Sanaadi Appanna and Karnataka Suputhra, to name a few.

Vijay Reddy's last directorial was Karnataka Suputhra, which starred Vishnuvardhan. The film released in 1996 and went on to receive positive reviews. The film is about a man who goes to great lengths to be with her. [\(Read more\)](#)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Former Indian football team captain Carlton Chapman

What: dies at 49

When: published on 12th October 2020

Former India football captain Carlton Chapman, who had formed a deadly trio in club football with Bhaichung Bhutia and IM Vijayan in the 1990s, died on Monday following a heart attack in Bengaluru.

He was 49.



Chapman was hospitalised on Sunday night at a hospital in Bengaluru and passed away early this morning.[\(Read more\)](#)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: DRDO

What: Launches Nirbhay Cruise Missile; Aborts Mission due to Technical Snag

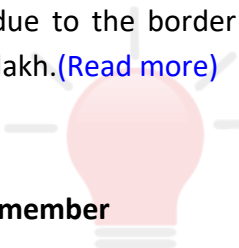
When: published on 12th October 2020

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) launched 800-km range Nirbhay cruise missile from Odisha's test facility but aborted few minutes later on Monday.

"The missile was fired at 10.30 am from the testing facility. But the missile developed a snag and the trial was aborted 8 minutes later," an official told Hindustan Times.

The missile launch, which was 10th by DRDO in 33 days, was fired into Bay of Bengal and aborted after a technical snag. DRDO is testing missile at an average of one missile every four days.

The government is giving an emphasis on fast-tracking development and deployment of missiles, especially due to the border standoff with China, and the deployment of troops by both sides in Eastern Ladakh.[\(Read more\)](#)



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20. Hints to Remember

Who: Rajnath Singh

What: dedicates 44 bridges to the nation located in seven states & UTs

When: published on 12th October 2020

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated 44 bridges built by Border Road Organisation (BRO), and laid the foundation stone of Nechipu tunnel in Arunachal Pradesh today.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Singh said, the 44 bridges which are located in seven states and union territories will usher in a new era of connectivity and development especially in the far flung areas of the country.

Hailing the hardwork of the officials of the BRO, the minister said these bridges will prove immensely beneficial in terms of military and civil transport in the western, northern and north-eastern areas of the country.[\(Read more\)](#)





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