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October GA Quiz 20

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

1. By which year has the Government of India set its aim to make India Trans Fat free?

- A. 2022
B. 2023
C. 2021
D. 2024
E. None of these

2. Union Education Minister Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank virtually launched the 'KAPILA' on the 89th birth anniversary of former President and Scientist Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. What does L stand for in KAPILA?

- A. Listing
B. Literacy
C. Liability
D. License
E. None of these

3. 'Saral Jeevan Bima', a standard term insurance policy, launched by the IRDAI can be purchased by the people in the age group of 18 to how many years?

- A. 75 years
B. 65 years
C. 70 years
D. 60 years
E. None of these

4. Which sports federation appointed Michael Irani as its interim president in October 2020?

- A. International Judo Federation
B. International Weightlifting Federation
C. Badminton World Federation
D. International Table Tennis Federation
E. None of these

5. What amount of loan will be provided by National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) for "Ayushman Sahakar" scheme to set up healthcare facilities?

- A. Rs. 1,000 crore
B. Rs. 10,000 crore
C. Rs. 100 crore
D. Rs. 500 crore
E. None of these

6. Which organization has planned to launch Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) in November 2020?

- A. Ministry of Food Processing Industries
B. Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
C. Food and Agriculture Organisation
D. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
E. None of these

7. The first plantation of Heeng (commonly known as Asafoetida) cultivation in India has been started in which state?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
B. Andhra Pradesh
C. Maharashtra
D. Gujarat
E. None of these



8. Which of the following states has launched women's safety campaign named "Safe City Project" and "Mission Shakti"?

- A. Telangana B. Andhra Pradesh C. Maharashtra
D. Uttar Pradesh E. None of these

9. Which Insurance Company has launched Individual Life Insurance cum Savings Plan named 'Invest 4G'?

- A. Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance
B. Aviva Life Insurance C. Bharti AXA Life Insurance
D. SBI Life Insurance E. None of these

10. Fino Payments Bank planned to add an additional 300 points at the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) outlet in _____ .

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

11. Which of the following banks has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Mahindra and Mahindra (M&M) for tractor finance business?

- A. Bank of Baroda B. State Bank of India C. Canara Bank
D. Indian Bank E. None of these

12. Which is World's First Country to attach Facial verification in the National Identification Database?

- A. Singapore B. Israel C. Malaysia
D. Indonesia E. None of these

13. Which Startup has launched first-of-its-kind fully automated direct payment platform called 'mooPay'?

- A. Agriwebb B. Afimilk C. Brainwired
D. Stellapps E. None of these

14. Which Supersonic Cruise Missile was successfully Test Fired recently from INS Chennai?

- A. BrahMos B. Prithvi-2 C. Prithvi-1
D. Tsirkon E. None of these

15. Who among the following has won the Gold Medal in the Women's event (60-point competition) in Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship 2020?

- A. Shiori Hirata B. Vidya Toyyiba C. Elavenil Valarivan
D. Manu Bhaker E. None of these

16. Who has won the Silver Medal in the Men's event (60-point competition) in Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship 2020?

- A. Shahu Tushar Mane B. Baki Abdullah Hel C. Naoya Okada
D. Manu Bhaker E. None of these



17. Pablo Zabaleta who announced retirement recently is associated with which sport?

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

18. World Trauma Day was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. October 10 B. October 15 C. October 12
D. October 17 E. None of these

19. "SIMBEX" is an annual bilateral naval exercise conducted between India and which country?

- A. Singapore B. France C. China
D. USA E. None of these

20. The headquarters of United Nations World Food Programme (UN-WFP) is located in _____ .

- A. Washington D.C, US B. New Delhi, India C. Geneva, Singapore
D. Rome, Italy 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	B	B	B	D	A	D	A	B	A	A	D	A	C	A	B	D	A	D

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

What: to make India free of trans fat by 2022, a year ahead of WHO's target: Harsh Vardhan

When: published on 16th October 2020

Health Minister Dr Harsh today said that the aim of the government is to make India Trans Fat free by 2022, a year ahead of target set by World Health Organization .

Chairing the event on World Food Day organized by FSSAI, Dr Harsh Vardhan said, due to the unprecedented challenges faced by the world on account of the Covid pandemic, there has been a renewed focus on food, nutrition, health, immunity and sustainability. He said, focus this year is on elimination of Trans Fats from the food supply chain.

The Minister said, Trans Fat, a food toxin present in Partially Hydrogenated Vegetable Oils, baked and fried foods, is a major contributor to the rise in non-communicable diseases in India. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Education Minister

What: virtually launches 'KAPILA' Kalam Program for IP Literacy and Awareness Education campaign will bring awareness towards patenting of inventions

When: published on 15th October 2020

Union Education Minister Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' virtually launched the 'KAPILA' Kalam Program for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness campaign on the 89th birth anniversary of former President and Scientist Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam. Minister of State for Education Shri Sanjay Dhotre also graced the occasion. Secretary, Higher Education, Shri Amit Khare; Chairman of All India Council for Technical Education, Professor Anil Sahasrabuddhe, Vice-Chairman Dr. M.P. Poonia, and Member Secretary, Dr. Rajive Kumar were also present at the event.

Speaking on the occasion the Minister said that it is necessary not only to invent for the self-sufficiency of the country, but also to patent the inventions. Patent of inventions will lead India towards Self-Reliance, he said. India has a proud history of Nalanda and Takshila Universities so we already had the intellectual property inherited within our culture. India has to again lead the world as Vishwaguru in the field of patents, he added. On 'National Innovation Day', this important initiative



has been taken towards making India self-reliant, he said. Under this campaign, students pursuing education in higher educational institutions will get information about the correct system of application process for patenting their invention and they will be aware of their rights. He further said that we need to take a giant leap in the field of patents.[\(Read more\)](#)

3. Hints to Remember

Who: IRDAI

What: asks life insurers to launch 'Saral Jeevan Bima' scheme by Jan 1

When: published on 15th October 2020

Regulator IRDAI on Thursday asked life insurance companies to launch a standard term insurance policy 'Saral Jeevan Bima' by January 1, 2021 to help customers take informed decisions.

The Saral Jeevan Bima will be a pure term life insurance product that can be purchased by people in the age group of 18 to 65 years and will have a policy term of 4 to 40 years, guidelines issued by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) said.

The sum assured for the term life insurance policy will range from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 25 lakh (in multiples of Rs 50,000), the policy guidelines said.[\(Read more\)](#)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: International Weightlifting Federation

What: appoint Michael Irani as interim president

When: published on 16th October 2020

The International Weightlifting Federation on Friday announced the appointment of Michael Irani as its interim president.

Irani is chair of the IWF Medical Committee and a former chair of the IWF Anti-Doping Commission. He has extensive experience of the fight against doping and in safeguarding athlete welfare, IWF said on its website.

"I am grateful to the IWF Executive Board for entrusting me with the presidency on an interim basis. I do not intend to stand as a candidate for the IWF President position in the future, so I will be able to focus fully on the reforms leading up to a clear and transparent IWF Congress," said Irani.[\(Read more\)](#)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt



What: launches 'Ayushman Sahakar' scheme to fund cooperative healthcare facilities

When: published on 20th October 2020

Union Minister of State for Agriculture Parshottam Rupala recently launched the scheme, under which the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) would extend term loans of Rs 10,000 crore to cooperatives for creating healthcare infrastructure in rural India, a PTI report said.

NCDC is the apex autonomous development finance institution under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. The NCDC fund would give a boost to provision of healthcare services by cooperatives, NCDC Managing Director Sundeep Nayak said. After the virtual launch, the minister said, "The ongoing pandemic has brought into focus the requirement of creation of more facilities. The NCDC's scheme will be a step towards strengthening farmers welfare activities by the central government." ([Read more](#))

6. Hints to Remember

Who: FSSAI's new food safety compliance platform

What: to become operational across India from Nov

When: published on 19th October 2020

Food regulator FSSAI on Monday said its Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) will become operational in the entire country from November 1.

The system is operational in nine States/UTs -- Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Gujarat, Odisha, Chandigarh, Goa, Manipur, Puducherry and Ladakh since June.

"FSSAI is now ready to extend FoSCoS to entire country with effect from 1st November 2020," the regulator said in a statement. ([Read more](#))

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Heeng (Asafoetida) cultivation

What: started for the first time in India with trial plantation in Himachal Pradesh

When: published on 19th October 2020

Heeng, or Asafoetida, an essential spice in many Indian dishes, was planted for the first time in India on October 18. The cultivation of heeng started in India by its first plantation at Lahaul and Spiti district in Himachal Pradesh, at an altitude of about 11 thousand feet above sea level. Dr. Sanjay Kumar, Director CSIR-IHBT, planted the first saplings of heeng.

Heeng is one of the widely used spices in Indian cuisine, and the country consumes around 50% of the total production in the world. Despite this, the spice was not being grown in India, and the entire



demand was met from imports, mostly from Afghanistan. Although there is no cultivation in the country, it is processed in India using imported raw heeng. ([Read more](#))

8. Hints to Remember

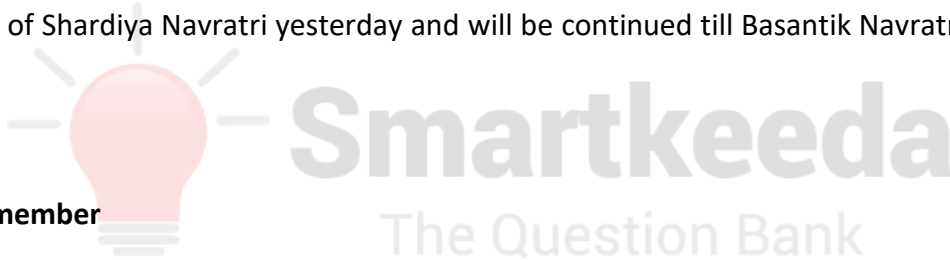
Who: UP government

What: launches 'Mission Shakti' campaign to tackle crime against women

When: published on 18th October 2020

Uttar Pradesh government has launched a 6-month long women empowerment campaign 'Mission Shakti' to raise awareness and tackle crime against women in the state. The campaign was kicked off by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath from Devi Paatan Shakti Peeth (देवीपाटन शक्ति पीठ) in Balrampur yesterday. Speaking on this occasion, Mr Yogi said that the government is committed to the security of women. The campaign was initiated by various ministers, public representatives and senior officials in all 75 districts across the state.

Governor Anandiben Patel launched the campaign at Raj Bhawan Lucknow by flagging off 100 Pink Scooty and 10 four wheeler women police vehicles under Safe City Project. The campaign started on the first day of Shardiya Navratri yesterday and will be continued till Basantik Navratri next year. ([Read more](#))



9. Hints to Remember

Who: Canara HSBC OBC Life Insurance

What: launches new "Invest 4G" plan with better-customized benefits

When: published on 19th October 2020

Canara HSBC Oriental Bank of Commerce Life Insurance announces the launch of new "INVEST4G" – A Unit Linked Individual Life Insurance Savings Plan which can be customized as per the goals and changing requirements of the customer.

This Unit Linked Individual Life Insurance cum Savings Plan provides one an unmatched combination of Portfolio Management Options and flexibilities which gives choice to opt for protection suiting the demand for every individual as well as provide an opportunity to save for future goals. ([Read more](#))

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Fino Payments Bank

What: to add 300 more points at BPCL outlets in Tamil Nadu

When: published on 19th October 2020



Fino Payments Bank is planning to add another 300 points at BPCL outlets to its existing 1,075 in Tamil Nadu, to help truck drivers to get fleet cards recharged by paying equivalent cash, without any hassles, a top official said on Monday. Recharging the Bharat Petroleum (BPCL) SmartFleet cards that are used to pay for fuel has been a challenge to truck drivers for quite some time and in order to ease this discomfort, Fino with BPCL has started such facilities, its State head, Dhanasekaran said.

The digitised cash in the form of prepaid fleet cards allows drivers to make payments for fuel at BPCL outlets, which also completely frees BPCL from handling the cash given by the drivers, Dhanasekaran told reporters here after inaugurating a facility at Perundurai in Erode district. [\(Read more\)](#)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Bank of Baroda

What: inks pact with Mahindra & Mahindra for tractor finance

When: published on 17th October 2020

To push agriculture finance, state-owned Bank of Baroda (BoB) said it has entered into a pact with Mahindra and Mahindra for tractor finance business.

The lender, through its over 5,000 rural and semi-urban branch network, will provide tractor loan facility to customers of Mahindra and Mahindra.

This memorandum of understanding (MoU) will give a boost to agri business and will help farmers in availing hassle-free credit facilities for buying tractors, BoB Executive Director Vikramaditya Singh Khichi said. [\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Singapore's world's first face

What: scan plan sparks privacy fears

When: published on 18th October 2020

Singapore will become the world's first country to use facial verification in its national ID scheme, but privacy advocates are alarmed by what they say is an intrusive system vulnerable to abuse.

From next year, millions of people living in the city-state will be able to access government agencies, banking services and other amenities with a quick face scan.

This biometric check will do away with the need to remember a password or security dongle when performing many everyday tasks, its creators say. [\(Read more\)](#)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Stellapps

What: unveils direct payments to farmers, launches MooPay

When: published on 20th October 2020

As part of its value-added embedded fintech services program for dairies and dairy farmers, the leading dairy-tech startup Stellapps has launched a first of its kind fully automated Digital Direct Farmers Payment product for Dairy Cooperatives, called “mooPay” in Bhilwara district of Rajasthan.

The app was launched on 15 October in the presence of the Chairman Ramlal Jat of Bhilwara Dairy Union (Saras), under whose visionary leadership this project has been executed.

Also present were the entire board of directors of the Union, L.K. Jain, Advisor to the union, the MD Asha Sharma and Rajendra Udawat P&I Incharge.

Stellapps’ Direct Farmer Payment fintech solution mooPay acts as a payment gateway for dairies to make payments on the click of a single button to every registered farmer in a matter of seconds, completely removing the risks and costs of transferring money to lakh of farmers in hundreds of villages. [\(Read more\)](#)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: successfully test fires BrahMos supersonic cruise missile from INS Chennai

When: published on 18th October 2020

India successfully test-fired BrahMos supersonic cruise missile on Sunday from the Indian Navy's indigenously-built stealth destroyer INS Chennai, the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) said.

The missile which was fired from INS Chennai hit the target in the Arabian Sea with pinpoint accuracy after performing high-level and extremely complex manoeuvres.

BrahMos as 'prime strike weapon' will ensure the warship's invincibility by engaging naval surface targets at long ranges, thus making the destroyer another lethal platform of Indian Navy. [\(Read more\)](#)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Elavenil Valarivan

What: wins gold medal at Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship

When: published on 18th October 2020



World number one Indian Elavenil Valarivan won a gold medal and Shahu Tushar Mane bagged a silver in the Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship, held virtually on Sunday.

The championship was organised by Bangladesh Shooting Sport Federation (BSSF).

Thanks to her gold, Elavenil got richer by \$1000 while Shahu Mane pocketed \$700 for his effort.

In the 60-shot competition in which shooters from six nations participated, including hosts Bangladesh and India, Elavenil shot a modest 627.5 to come out on top.

Shiori Hirata won the silver with 622.6, while Indonesian Vidya Toyyiba took the bronze with 621.1.[\(Read more\)](#)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Shahu Tushar Mane

What: won the Silver Medal in the Men's event (60-point competition) in Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship 2020

When: published on 18th October 2020

World No 1 Elavenil Valarivan won gold and Shahu Tushar Mane won the silver medal at the Sheikh Russel International Air Rifle Championship 2020 on Sunday. The competition, held online, was organised by the Bangladesh Shooting Sport Federation.

India's Elavenil shot 627.5 the 60-shots in the competition where shooters from six nations participated. Shiori Hirata won silver with 622.6 while Indonesian Vidya Toyyiba won bronze with 621.1 in the women's event.[\(Read more\)](#)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Former Man City defender Zabaleta

What: announces retirement

When: published on 16th October 2020

Former Argentina and Manchester City full-back Pablo Zabaleta announced his retirement from football on Friday, bringing an end to his 18-year career.

After leaving West Ham United at the end of last season, the 35-year-old right-back was linked with a return to Espanyol but has now decided his playing days are over.

Zabaleta spent nine years at City after joining from Espanyol in 2008, making 333 appearances and scoring 12 goals to become a crowd favourite at the Etihad Stadium.[\(Read more\)](#)



18. Hints to Remember

Who: World Trauma Day 2020

What: observed on October 17

World Trauma Day is observed annually on October 17 to create awareness about the increasing rate of accidents and injuries that cause death and disability globally. The day also highlights the need to prevent trauma.

The day was created to decrease the number of accidents in India and other countries around the world.

The day was first observed in 2011 in New Delhi, with The Trauma Society of South Africa joining the year after.

19. Singapore India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX) is an annual bilateral naval exercise conducted by the Indian Navy and the Republic of Singapore Navy (RSN).

The exercise has been held annually since 1994. Over the years, SIMBEX has progressed beyond its original emphasis on anti-submarine warfare to include elements of maritime security, anti-air and anti-surface warfare.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.

20. The World Food Programme (WFP) is the food-assistance branch of the United Nations. It is the world's largest humanitarian organization, the largest one focused on hunger and food security, and the largest provider of school meals. Founded in 1961, it is headquartered in Rome and has offices in 80 countries. As of 2019, it served 97 million people in 88 countries, the largest since 2012, with two-thirds of its activities conducted in conflict zones.

Hence, the correct answer is option D.





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