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October GA Quiz 7

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

1. "Dalle Khursani", the famous chilli from which state has got GI tag?

- A. Sikkim B. Gujarat C. Andhra Pradesh
D. Kerala E. None of these

2. Which airport has become Airports Authority of India (AAI)'s 1st 100% solar-powered airport?

- A. Puducherry Airport B. Delhi Airport C. Ladakh Airport
D. Chandigarh Airport E. None of these

3. Which country has declared Phoenix settlement in the country as national heritage site?

- A. South Africa B. Botswana C. Zimbabwe
D. Zambia E. None of these

4. Madhabi Puri Buch, the 1st whole time women member of which organization has got 1-year extension?

- A. Forward Market Commission of India
B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
C. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India
D. Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
E. None of these

5. Name the businessman who was conferred with Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC)'s life time achievement award?

- A. Ratan N. Tata B. Rahul Bajaj C. Dhirubhai Ambani
D. Naveen Jindal E. None of these

6. Who among the following is the 1st Indian bureaucrat to be honoured with Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC)'s "Covid Crusader Award-2020"?

- A. Nripendra Misra B. Iqbal Singh Chahal C. Ajit Doval
D. Shaktikanta Das E. None of these

7. Harvey J. Alter, Charles M. Rice and Michael Houghton have won 2020 Nobel Prize in Physiology/medicine for discovering which virus?

- A. Hepatitis C Virus B. Polio Virus C. Corona Virus
D. Ebola Virus E. None of these

8. What is the name of the nuclear capable surface to surface missile which was successfully tested recently at Abdul Kalam Island test range, Odisha?



- A. Prahaar B. Shaurya C. Dhanush
D. Astra E. None of these

9. DRDO successfully flight tested the Anti-submarine weapon system 'SMART' from Wheeler Island, Odisha. What is the full form of 'SMART'?

- A. Submarine Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo
B. Surface Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo
C. Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo
D. Satellite Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo
E. None of these

10. Who authored the book titled "Discovering the Heritage of Assam"?

- A. Girish Kuber B. J K Rowling C. Padmapani Bora
D. Bomma Devara E. None of these

11. The world space week 2020 will be observed between October 4-10, 2020 with the theme of _____.

- A. Space Unites the World B. The Moon: Gateway to the Stars
C. Satellites Improve Life D. Exploring New Worlds in Space
E. None of these

12. Piyush Goyal has inaugurated renaming of Naugarh Railway Station To Siddharthnagar. The station is located in which of following states?

- A. West Bengal B. Uttar Pradesh C. Gujarat
D. Maharashtra E. None of these

13. The "My Ganga My Dolphin campaign" was launched in _____ sites across Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal?

- A. 3 B. 4 C. 6
D. 9 E. None of these

14. Which of the following states is going to get India's 1st ever organic spices seed park?

- A. Sikkim B. Gujarat C. Madhya Pradesh
D. Goa E. None of these

15. Which state/UT has planned to launch Digital Seva Setu programme for rural areas?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir B. Gujarat C. Himachal Pradesh
D. Arunachal Pradesh E. None of these

16. Which expressway is going to have India's first five animal overpass or "animal bridges"?

- A. Vadodara – Mumbai B. Ahmedabad – Vadodara C. Delhi - Mumbai
D. Amritsar – Katra E. None of these



17. The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India has launched PoS 3.1 software, SMS gateway and home delivery facility of fertilisers for farmers in which state?

- A. Andhra Pradesh B. Karnataka C. Goa
D. Kerala E. None of these

18. India has proposed to build USD 6 Billion worth petroleum refinery in which country?

- A. Bangladesh B. Cambodia C. Myanmar
D. China E. None of these

19. Asian Development Bank (ADB) planned to invest what amount in Avaada Energy to expand renewable energy capacity in India?

- A. USD 15 million B. USD 25 million C. USD 5 million
D. USD 50 million E. None of these

20. Which bank has partnered with Visa which has launched the 1st of its kind debit card facility for availing Loan Against Securities (LAS)?

- A. Yes Bank B. ICICI Bank C. HDFC Bank
D. RBL Bank E. None of these



Correct answer:

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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Famous chilli of Sikkim “Dalle Khursani”

What: earns GI tag

When: published on 3rd September 2020

The red cherry pepper chilli of Sikkim which is locally known as the “Dalle Khursani” has earned the geographical indication (GI) tag from the Union department of Industry promotion and internal trade. It is considered as one of the hottest chilli in the world.

Dalle Khursani has been included in the GI Registry of the Government of India on the basis of an application filed by the North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Limited (Neramac) on behalf of Sikkim. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Puducherry airport

What: becomes AAI’s first 100% solar-powered airport

When: published on 6th October 2020

The Puducherry airport has become the first airport of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) which is entirely solar-powered. The 500KWp ground-mounted solar power plant was commissioned on 2nd October 2020. The approx cost of the plant is Rs 2.8 crore. With becoming absolutely power-neutral, the Puducherry airport will be able to meet its entire power requirement through the solar power plant. [\(Read more\)](#)

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Phoenix Settlement

What: declared National Heritage Site

When: published on 3rd October 2020



The South African government declared the Phoenix Settlement in Durban as a National Heritage Site on the 151st birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi even as several events were organised across the country to celebrate the occasion.

Indian High Commissioner Jaideep Sarkar on Friday welcomed the announcement regarding the Phoenix Settlement where Gandhi established a commune, started his experiments with Satyagraha, and printed his newspaper Indian Opinion.

“This confirm the strong links that bind India and South Africa, and it also gives us a roadmap here in Johannesburg to do the same for Tolstoy Farm,” Sarkar said as the keynote speaker at the commune south of the city where Gandhi established a similar facility while practising as a lawyer. ([Read more](#))

4. Hints to Remember

Who: SEBI Whole-Time Member Madhabi Buch

What: gets 1-year extension in tenure

When: published on 3rd October 2020

The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the extension in the term of appointment of Madhabi Puri Buch, Whole-Time Member (WTM), Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), for a period of one year beginning October 4, 2020.

This is the second time that Buch's tenure has been extended, sources said.

It may be recalled that Madhabi Puri Buch was given a six-month extension in April 2020, after her three-year tenure as SEBI WTM ended in March this year. ([Read more](#))

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Indo-American Chamber of Commerce

What: presents lifetime achievement award to Ratan Tata

When: published on 3rd October 2020

The Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC) has presented the lifetime achievement award to business icon Ratan Tata as part of its recent global leadership awards.

The IACC leadership bestowed the IACC Lifetime and Global Excellence Awards to Tata on Friday at a closed-door meeting, owing to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, according to a statement. ([Read more](#))

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Mumbai Municipal Commissioner I.S. Chahal



What: Honoured With Global 'Covid Crusader Award-2020'

When: published on 28th September 2020

Iqbal Singh Chahal, I.A.S., Municipal Commissioner of the Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai, has become the first Indian bureaucrat to be recognised and receive global acknowledgment for his contribution in controlling the novel coronavirus infection in India's financial capital and for working to 'flatten the curve' in congested areas of the city, including Asia's biggest slum Dharavi.

The 1989-batch Maharashtra cadre officer - with 3 decades of rich and diverse experience with the Government of India and the Government of Maharashtra - has been conferred the top 'Covid Crusader Award-2020' by the Indo American Chamber of Commerce(IACC) in the Indian Bureaucrats Category.

The IACC, established in 1968, is the apex bi-lateral Chamber synergizing India-US Economic Engagement. The award was instituted by the IACC and the US Consulate in Mumbai. The award was conferred by the Hon. Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari at a virtual ceremony. ([Read more](#))

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Nobel Prize in Medicine

What: awarded to US-UK trio for discovery of hepatitis C virus

When: published on 5th October 2020

The Nobel Prize in Medicine has been jointly awarded to Harvey J. Alter, Michael Houghton and Charles M. Rice for the discovery of hepatitis C virus.

The award is one of the most sought-after global accolades and grants entry into one of the most prestigious clubs in the world.

The Nobel Assembly said in a news release Monday that the three scientists "made seminal discoveries that led to the identification of a novel virus." It said the trio had "made a decisive contribution to the fight against blood-borne hepatitis, a major global health problem that causes cirrhosis and liver cancer in people around the world." ([Read more](#))

8. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: successfully tests nuclear-capable Shaurya missile

When: published on 3rd October 2020

India on Saturday successfully test-fired a new version of the nuclear-capable hypersonic Shaurya missile with a range of 750 kilometres from a defence facility off the Odisha coast on Saturday,



officials said. The launch is the latest in a string of recent weapons tests amid military tensions with China in the Ladakh sector.

The launch came three days after India test-fired an extended-range BrahMos surface-to-surface supersonic cruise missile from the Integrated Test Range at Balasore in Odisha. The cruise missile can hit targets 400 kilometres away - its range increased from the existing 290 kilometres. [\(Read more\)](#)

9. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: conducts successful flight test of SMART; 'Game-changer,' says DRDO chief

When: published on 5th October 2020

India on Monday conducted a successful flight test of the Supersonic Missile Assisted Release of Torpedo (SMART) from Wheeler Island off the coast of Odisha.

All mission objectives, including missile flight upto the range and altitude, separation of the nose cone, the release of Torpedo and deployment of Velocity Reduction Mechanism (VRM), were met perfectly in the flight test, the Press Information Bureau, the government's nodal agency, noted in a release.

"The tracking stations (Radars, Electro Optical Systems) along the coast and telemetry stations including down range ships monitored all the events," the release further noted. [\(Read more\)](#)

10. Hints to Remember

Who: DoNER minister

What: releases coffee table book Discovering the Heritage of Assam

When: published on 5th October 2020

Union DoNER minister Dr Jitendra Singh released a coffee table book titled 'Discovering the Heritage of Assam' with a foreword by Amitabh Bachchan and published by Penguin.

The voluminous coffee table book with pictures and photographs on glaze paper presents an absorbing compilation of heritage, faith, beliefs and traditions of different ethnic tribes and sub-tribes living in Assam.

While releasing the book recently, DoNER minister Singh congratulated its author, Padampani Bora, who is by profession an officer of the Indian Revenue Service (IRS-2009 batch).

Bora has over the years established himself as an accomplished author, specializing in the subjects reflecting diverse nuances of the northeastern region of India. [\(Read more\)](#)



11. Hints to Remember

Who: The world space week 2020

What: will be observed between October 4-10, 2020

When: published on 4th October 2020

The largest annual space event in the world i.e. World Space Week (WSW) is celebrated annually from October 4-10 at the international level under the United Nations (UN) resolution 54/68 of 6 December 1999 to celebrate the contributions of space science and technology to the betterment of the human condition. The WSW 2020 is being celebrated on the theme of "Satellites Improve Life" and in WSW 2021 theme will be "Women in Space".

This year's theme shows the importance of satellites in daily life such as in communications, environmental monitoring, transportation, weather forecasting, telemedicine, science, and in many other ways.

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of SES, a satellite and terrestrial telecommunications network provider located in Luxembourg, Steve Collar is the Honorary Chair of WSW 2020.

It should be noted that in 2019, World Space Week made a record as it was celebrated with over 8,057 events in 96 nations on the theme "The Moon: Gateway to the Stars".

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Piyush Goyal

What: Inaugurates Renaming Of Naugarh Railway Station To Siddharthnagar

When: published on 6th October 2020

Railway Minister Piyush Goyal on Monday through a video link inaugurated the renaming of Naugarh railway station to Siddharthnagar railway station situated at Siddharthnagar district in Uttar Pradesh.

"Naugarh railway station was named Siddharthnagar in view of public aspirations due to the birth of Mahatma Buddha in Lumbini near Naugarh and being associated with his life events from this region," Goyal said during the inauguration event.

"A large number of Buddhist pilgrims come to Lumbini. The region has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. The approval has been given for the construction of a new railway line of 240 km from Khalilabad to Bahraich via Dumariyaganj-Utraula-Balrampur-Shravasti. With the completion of this project, the development of Sant Kabir Nagar, Siddharthnagar, Shravasti, Bahraich and Gonda districts will be accelerated," he added. [\(Read more\)](#)

13. Hints to Remember

Who: My Ganga My Dolphin campaign



What: launched at six sites across river Ganga

When: published on 6th October 2020

The National Mission for Clean Ganga, the Wildlife Institute of India and the Forest Department launched the My Ganga My Dolphin campaign on the occasion of Ganga River Dolphin Day on Monday.

A Dolphin-based ecotourism programme was launched at various sites along the Ganga River. It was started in six sites across the states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal.

“This is a joint venture of WII, NMCG and the State Forest Departments, for sustainable tourism linking livelihood through Dolphin Conservation for ecotourism along the Ganga river,” read a statement from the Jal Shakti Ministry. [\(Read more\)](#)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Gujarat

What: to get country's first two Organic Spices Seed parks

When: published on 5th October 2020

A first-of-its-kind natural spices seed park will come up at two locations in Gujarat with an purpose to encourage capability constructing and adoption of finest practices within the manufacturing cumin and fennel seeds, the primary crops within the area.

The Gujarat Chief Minister on Monday launched the sanction letters to two farmer producer organisations (FPOs) for a NABARD-supported Organic Spices Seed Park for saunf (fennel seed) within the Banaskantha district and jeera (cumin seed) in Patan for promotion of natural seed worth chain of the spices.

Speaking in regards to the improvement, GR Chintala, Chairman, NABARD, knowledgeable that the two spices seeds parks will create a whole worth chain and supply capability constructing coaching for the farmers. [\(Read more\)](#)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: “Digital Seva Setu Programme”

What: launched by Gujarat Government for rural areas

When: published on 6th October 2020

Gujarat Government has announced Digital Seva Setu Programme for the rural areas.

Under this programme, the citizens will be able to get benefit from various public welfare services at the Panchayat level.



AIR correspondent reports that the Digital Seva Setu has been initiated under the Bharat Net Project- an initiative to connect the Village Panchayats through fibre network.

The villages of Gujarat will be connected with a 100 MBPS optical fibre network under the Digital Seva Setu programme.

Digital Seva Setu programme has been announced by the Chief Minister Vijay Rupani at a press conference in Gandhinagar. [\(Read more\)](#)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Delhi-Mumbai e-way

What: to have India's 1st 5 'animal bridges'

When: published on 4th October 2020

India will see the first five animal overpasses on the under construction Delhi-Mumbai Expressway, which will be on the lines of "animal bridges" in Netherlands for safe passage of wildlife. These have been planned to ensure there are no disturbances to the Ranthambore Wildlife Corridor connecting Ranthambhore and Mukundra (Darrah) wildlife sanctuaries in Rajasthan.

Sources said the plan has been approved and forwarded by the Rajasthan government to the central wildlife board and is likely to be taken up next week. The NHAI has given the work to an infrastructure major and the agreement would be signed next week. [\(Read more\)](#)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Gowda

What: launches PoS 3.1 software, SMS & home delivery services for fertilisers in AP

When: published on 1st October 2020

The Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India today launched PoS 3.1 software, SMS gateway and home delivery facility of fertilisers for farmers in Andhra Pradesh.

Speaking on the occasion, Union Minister for Chemicals & Fertilizers, DV Sadananda Gowda complemented chief minister of Andhra Pradesh YS Jaganmohan Reddy for the work done by his government in home delivery of fertilisers. In fact, Andhra Pradesh is the only state, which has launched such unique initiative.

SMS gateway will periodically send SMS to farmer about availability of fertilisers at retail outlet from where he last purchased the fertiliser. He will also be able to get information about availability of fertilisers at any retail outlet by sending retailer ID to a mobile number 7738299899. Further on purchase of fertiliser, SMS will be sent to his mobile indicating the quantity purchased and amount paid by him. [\(Read more\)](#)



18. Hints to Remember

Who: Neighbourhood First: India

What: to invest USD 6 bn for setting up a Petroleum refinery in Myanmar

When: published on 6th October 2020

India has proposed to construct a petroleum refinery in Thanlyin region near Yangon, and is planning to invest USD 6 billion. "The project which could be a win-win arrangement for both countries, as of now has IOCL expressing its interest in the project," sources told Financial Express Online. ([Read more](#))

19. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB investment

What: to expand solar energy generation in India

When: published on 2nd October 2020

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) will invest \$15 million in Avaada Energy Private Limited (AEPL) to help the company to scale up photovoltaic solar energy generation capacity in India.

The investment is ADB's second in AEPL after a first round of \$50 million made in April 2019.

ADB is investing the \$15 million via its Ordinary Capital Resources and from Leading Asia's Private Infrastructure Fund (LEAP).

AEPL has almost 1GW of operational solar energy capacity, and with the second round of equity investment will be well placed to expand capacity to more than 3.5GW. ([Read more](#))

20. Hints to Remember

Who: ICICI Bank

What: launches debit card facility for customers availing loan against securities

When: published on 6th October 2020

ICICI Bank has launched a debit card facility for those customers availing the loan against securities (LAS). The card is available on the Visa platform. A press release from the bank stated that it can be used by customers across all domestic merchant establishments to make POS and online transactions like payments on e-commerce portals, using their sanctioned LAS amount. Do keep in mind that this facility cannot be used to withdraw cash or for international transactions. ([Read more](#))





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