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August GA Quiz 17

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

1. Which state has recently launched the e-crop survey initiative which will become effective from August 15?

- A. Gujarat B. Jharkhand C. Maharashtra
D. Bihar E. None of these

2. In a bid to bring more transparency and accountability in the governance system, which UT or State government has launched PROOF 'Photographic Record of On-site Facility' app?

- A. Ladakh B. Himachal Pradesh C. Jammu and Kashmir
D. Uttarakhand E. None of these

3. Manipur's Patriot's Day 2021 has been observed on which date?

- A. August 14 B. August 13 C. August 12
D. August 11 E. None of these

4. Who among the following is the author of the book titled as "The Great Hindu Civilisation"?

- A. Balmiki Prasad Singh B. Pavan K Varma C. Prashant Kishor
D. Rajdeep Sardesai E. None of these

5. Mian Bashir Ahmad Larvi passed away recently. He was a/an _____.

- A. Writer B. Poet C. Actor
D. Politician E. None of these

6. Who among the following has recently won the Spilimbergo Open Chess Tournament 2021?

- A. Raunak Sadhwani B. Arjun Erigaisi C. Abhimanyu Puranik
D. Nihal Sarin E. None of these

7. Who among the following has been ranked 2nd in World Athletics Men's Javelin Throw Ranking 2021?

- A. Shivpal Singh B. Tajinderpal Singh Toor C. Avinash Sable
D. Tejaswin Shankar E. None of these

8. Muhyiddin Yassin has recently announced his resignation as the Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Maldives B. Thailand C. Malaysia
D. Indonesia E. None of these

9. Hakainde Hichilema has been elected as the New President of which country?

- A. Malawi B. Zambia C. Zimbabwe
D. Namibia E. None of these

10. Which bank has emerged as the top performer among Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) banks in terms of loan and savings deposit growth in the first quarter (Q1) of FY22 i.e (April to June 2021)?

- A. Bank of Baroda B. Bank of Maharashtra C. Andhra Bank
D. Kerala Bank E. None of these

11. Which country has chaired the meeting of the BRICS Working Group on Agriculture 2021 on the theme 'BRICS Partnership for Strengthening Agro Biodiversity for Food and Nutrition Security'?

- A. Brazil B. Russia C. China
D. South Africa E. None of these

12. Which organization and India have signed a joint action plan to boost bilateral trade by ensuring faster clearance of goods?

- A. East African Community B. African Union C. European Union
D. Caribbean Community E. None of these

13. India has recently won how many medals at the World Archery Youth Championships?

- A. 12 B. 13 C. 14
D. 15 E. None of these

14. Wholesale price-based inflation has declined for 2nd straight month to what percent in July?

- A. 12.16 percent B. 10.16 percent C. 13.16 percent
D. 11.16 percent E. None of these

15. Civil Aviation Ministry has recently granted conditional permission to how many organisations to use drones for various purposes?

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

16. Which state government is going to give smart health cards under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana to enable each family to get treatment cost up to ₹5 lakh per annum?

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

17. The Reserve Bank of India has recently what amount of penalty on Cooperative Rabobank UA for deficiencies in regulatory compliances?

- A. Rs 1 crore B. Rs 25 lakhs C. Rs 50 lakhs
D. Rs 75 lakhs E. None of these

18. Ministry of Women and Child Development has launched which phase of "SAMVAD"?

- A. First B. Second C. Third
D. Fourth E. None of these

19. Which country has partially shut down the world's third-busiest container port after a worker there tested positive for Covid-19?

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

20. Which of the following campaigns has recently been launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs for the marketing of urban Self-Help Group products?

- A. Doldrum B. Basherah C. Aashra
D. SonChiraiya 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
C	C	B	B	D	A	E	C	B	B	E	A	D	D	B	C	A	B	D	D

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Maharashtra govt

What: launches e-crop survey initiative; to be effective from Aug 15

When: published on 14th August 2021

Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray launched the e-crop survey initiative which will become effective in Maharashtra from August 15. The project, which was initially introduced as a pilot in two districts, is jointly implemented by the departments of revenue and agriculture along with the Tata Trust.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said the concept will be a role model for the country, and the e-crop survey app is yet another initiative to reduce the hardships of the farmers as it would provide them crop-related information without hassles.

The CM said his government had already introduced a digitized 7/12 document, which is an extract from the 'Land Register' that the farmers can now access on their mobile phones. Earlier, farmers had difficulty accessing their 7/12 document. CM said that now we need to change with the times and adopt modern technology to ease the hardships of people.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: J-K LG Manoj Sinha

What: launches 'PROOF' app to monitor timely completion of projects

When: published on 13th August 2021

In a bid to bring more transparency and accountability in the governance system, Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday launched PROOF 'Photographic Record of On-site Facility' app.

It will help in uploading geo-tagged photographs while preferring bills in the concerned treasuries against the budget allotted through the BEAMS application.

The app will help in monitoring and timely completion of projects.

Details of all projects with complete geo-tagged photographs shall now be available for the public through EMPOWERMENT portal.

Taking to Twitter, the Office of Lt. Governor said that no bills shall be entertained in the treasury unless photographs of projects are uploaded.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Manipur's Patriot's Day 2021

What: was observed on 13th August 2021

In Manipur, Patriots' Day in memory of those heroes who sacrificed their lives in the Anglo-Manipur War, 1891 was observed across the State.

In the State level function held at Imphal, Governor of Manipur Shri Ganga Prasad Chaurasia and Chief Minister Shri N. Biren Singh led others in paying floral tributes to those martyrs.

On the occasion, Governor Shri Ganga Prasad Chaurasia inaugurated the Memorial Complex dedicated to the exiled martyrs of the Anglo-Manipur War 1891 at Bir Tikendrajit Park, Imphal. The names of those unsung heroes who fought valiantly against the mighty British forces and later exiled to Andaman and Nicobar Islands are engraved on the Memorial Stone unveiled today.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: New Book "The Great Hindu Civilisation"

What: Authored by Former MP Pavan K Varma

When: published on 9th August 2021

As the first prime minister of independent India, Nehru played an admirable role in leading the young nation, and preventing it from dissembling or—as many thought would happen—from disintegrating. But in one way, Nehru's view of India's past was of dismissal and impatience, an impediment to India's push for progress and modernity. In this sense, he was a product of colonial prejudice, and had internalised—like so many others of the anglicised elite—the superficial but deliberate disdain of Indian culture, and specifically Hindu civilisation. His commitment to India's freedom was never in doubt, but in spite of himself, he could not but manifest key aspects of the colonial appraisal.

'It was natural and inevitable that Indian nationalism should resent alien rule,' he wrote in An Autobiography, 'and yet it was curious how large numbers of our intelligentsia ... accepted, consciously or unconsciously, the British ideology of Empire. ... The history and economics and other subjects that were taught in the schools and colleges were written entirely from the British imperial view-point, and

laid stress on our numerous failings in the past. ... We accepted to some extent this distorted version, and even when we resisted it instinctively we were influenced by it.' Without doubt, Nehru must not have wanted to be influenced by the colonial critique of India's past, but because he was extraordinarily perceptive he could understand why this could happen even against one's will. Thus a yearning for a modernity heavily influenced by Western notions, and a rejection of the past strongly influenced by colonial assessments, became key elements of his world view, and appeared recurrently in his well-intentioned exhortations to the Indian people.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Gujjar Leader Padma Bhushan Mian Bashir Ahmed

What: Passed Away

When: published on 15th August 2021

Padma Bhushan Mian Bashir Ahmad Larvi, a prominent Gujjar leader and renowned religious personality passed away in central Kashmir district of Ganderbal on Saturday evening. He was 98.

The demise of Mian Larvi was widely mourned in the Kashmir valley.

He will be laid to rest at his ancestral graveyard at Baba Nagri Wangath, Kangan, in Ganderbal Sunday afternoon.

Mian Lavri, also known as Baba ji, was awarded Padma Bhushan, the third highest civilian award, by the Government of India (GoI) on January 26, 2008 for his contribution to society.

He is widely respected and prominently followed across the Jammu and Kashmir and other parts of country for his religious and spiritual teachings.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Young Indian Grandmaster Raunak Sadhwani

What: wins Spilimbergo Open

When: published on 16th August 2021

Young Indian Grandmaster Raunak Sadhwani on Sunday emerged winner in the 19th Spilimbergo Open chess tournament with seven points from nine rounds.

The 15-year old Sadhwani (Elo 2579) remained undefeated in the tourney, notching up five wins and four draws.

Seeded fourth, the Indian faced five GMs in the event and beat Oskar Wieczorek of Poland and drew his games against the four others.

His wins came against Italian Joshuaede Cappelletto, Aron Pasti of Hungary, Lorenzo Lodici of Italy and France's Loic Travadon.

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Neeraj Chopra

What: achieves number 2 spot in World Athletics rankings

When: published on 12th August 2021

Gold medallist Neeraj Chopra has accomplished number 2 rank in the World Athletics ranking after his sensational show in the Tokyo Olympics.

Chopra has been ranked second with a score of 1315. The 23-year-old athlete is only behind German athlete Johannes Vetter who has a 1396 score as per the latest update issued by World Athletics.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Malaysian PM Muhyiddin

What: resigns as political crisis escalates

When: published on 16th August 2021

Malaysia's Muhyiddin Yassin stepped down as prime minister on Monday after months of political turmoil culminated in the loss of his majority, but his resignation is likely to open another chapter of instability in the absence of any obvious successor.

Muhyiddin's resignation ends a tumultuous 17 months in office, the shortest stint of a Malaysian leader, but hampers efforts to reboot a pandemic-stricken economy and curb a resurgence of COVID-19 infections.

The Southeast Asian nation's king appointed Muhyiddin as the caretaker prime minister until a new one is found, but did not set a timeline.

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



9. Hints to Remember

Who: Hakainde Hichilema

What: Elected as the New President of Zambia

When: published on 16th August 2021

Zambian opposition leader Hakainde Hichilema has been declared the winner of last week's bitterly contested presidential election.

Mr Hichilema defeated the incumbent, President Edgar Lungu, by a landslide - more than a million votes.

It was Mr Hichilema's sixth attempt at winning the presidency. His supporters have been celebrating on the streets of the capital, Lusaka.

Mr Lungu has accepted defeat and congratulated Mr Hichilema.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: BoM

What: tops PSU banks chart in terms of loan, saving deposit growth in Q1

When: published on 15th August 2021

State-owned Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) has emerged as the top performer among public sector lenders in terms of loan and savings deposit growth during the first quarter of the current financial year.

The Pune-headquartered lender recorded 14.46 per cent increase in gross advances at Rs 1,10,592 lakh crore in April-June period of 2021-22, as per the published data of BoM.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: chairs BRICS Working Group on Agriculture 2021; Represented by Sanjay Agarwal

When: published on 14th August 2021

Ministers of agriculture of BRICS nations deliberated virtually on the theme "BRICS Partnership for Strengthening Agro Biodiversity for Food and Nutrition Security" ahead of a summit, to be chaired by India, next month.

The implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development noted that BRICS countries are well positioned to take a leading role in helping to achieve the objectives of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals to eradicate hunger and poverty.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: East Africa, India

What: sign joint action plan to boost trade

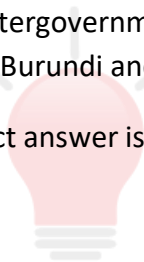
When: published on 15th August 2021

The East African Community (EAC) trading bloc and India have signed a joint action plan to boost bilateral trade by ensuring faster clearance of goods, officials said during the virtual signing ceremony on Friday.

Both sides believed that the joint action plan will pave the way for a full mutual recognition agreement between the two sides.

The EAC is an intergovernmental organization composed of six countries, namely Uganda, Rwanda, Kenya, Tanzania, Burundi and South Sudan.

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



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13. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: has won 15 medals at the World Archery Youth Championships

When: published on 15th August 2021

Prime Minister Narendra Modi lauded the Indian contingent at the World Archery Youth Championships for winning 15 medals, and said they have made people proud. The 2021 World Archery Youth Championships was held in Wroclaw in Poland. Modi tweeted, "The Indian contingent at the World Archery Youth Championships in Wroclaw has made us proud by winning 15 medals including 8 Golds. Congrats to our team and best wishes for their future endeavours."

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Wholesale price-based inflation

What: declines for 2nd straight month to 11.16% in July

When: published on 16th August 2021

The wholesale price-based inflation softened for the second straight month to 11.16 per cent in July, on cheaper food items, even though prices of manufactured goods and crude oil hardened. However, WPI inflation remained in double digit for the fourth consecutive month in July, mainly due to a low base of last year. WPI inflation was (-) 0.25 per cent, in July 2020.

“The high rate of inflation in July 2021 is primarily due to low base effect and rise in prices of crude petroleum and natural gas; mineral oils; manufactured products like basic metals; food products; textiles; chemicals and chemical products etc as compared the corresponding month of the previous year,” the Commerce and Industry Ministry said in a statement.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Aviation ministry

What: grants permission to use drones to 10 organisations

When: published on 16th August 2021

The civil aviation ministry on Monday gave conditional permission to 10 organisations, including Mahindra and Mahindra, Steel Authority of India (SAIL) and Bayer Crop Science, to use drones for various purposes.

In a statement, the ministry said the Karnataka Government is one of the 10 organisations and it has got the permission to conduct "drone based aerial survey for creating urban property ownership records in Bengaluru".

Mahindra and Mahindra has got permission to conduct "drone-based agricultural trials" and use drones for precision spraying on paddy and hot pepper crop in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh, it mentioned.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Odisha CM

What: announces smart health card to bear treatment cost

When: published on 15th August 2021

In a boost to the state's efforts to provide healthcare facilities to all, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Sunday launched smart health cards under Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana which is expected to benefit around 3.5 crore people.

Making this announcement during the celebrations on the occasion of the 75th Independence Day, the Chief Minister said, “The initiative will transform the health service delivery system and create history in the health sector of the country.”

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: imposes Rs 1 crore penalty on Cooperative Rabobank UA for deficiencies in regulatory compliances

When: published on 12th August 2021

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Thursday said it has imposed a penalty of Rs 1 crore on Cooperative Rabobank U.A. for deficiencies in regulatory compliances.

The penalty has been imposed for contravention of certain provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and directions related to 'transfer to reserve funds'.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Union WCD Minister Smt. Smriti Irani

What: launches 2nd Phase of SAMVAD To Ensure Holistic Psychosocial Well-Being of Children & Adolescents

When: published on 14th August 2021

The Union Minister of Women and Child Development, Smriti Zubin Irani, on the eve of Independence Day, launched 2nd phase of SAMVAD program today in Bengaluru and commemorated the successful completion of one year of SAMVAD - Support, Advocacy & Mental health interventions for children in Vulnerable circumstances And Distress. SAMVAD is a National Initiative and Integrated Resource that works in child protection, mental health and psychosocial care.

Addressed the gathering, the Union WCD Minister, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani acknowledged SAMVAD's efforts in providing coping mechanism for children in distress by training close to 1 lakh stakeholders comprising of Child Protection Functionaries, tele-counsellors, educators, law professionals among others. She said that “for the first time in independent India, SAMVAD will engage with functionaries in Panchayats thereby ushering in a silent revolution in addressing psychosocial challenges amongst vulnerable children”. SAMVAD is slated to begin work with Panchayati Raj systems to integrate child protection and mental health in aspirational districts across the country to facilitate awareness generation and improve service delivery at the grassroots level.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: World's third-busiest port

What: remains partially shut in China

When: published on 17th August 2021

China's Ningbo-Zhoushan container port, the world's third-busiest, remained partially closed for a sixth day Monday, amid ongoing concern over whether the shutdown will disrupt trade from the region longer term.

The port hasn't published any updates on its operations since Wednesday, when it halted all inbound and outbound container services at its Meishan terminal after one employee tested positive for Covid-19. Consultant GardaWorld estimated the terminal accounted for about 25% of container cargo through the port, though Ningbo-Zhoushan had said it would redirect ships to other terminals and adjust operating hours at other docks.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Centre

What: launches 'SonChiraiya' to market self-help groups' products

When: published on 13th August 2021

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) on Friday launched 'SonChiraiya' -- a brand and logo -- for marketing the products of urban self-help groups (SHGs).

While launching the brand and logo, MoHUA Secretary Durga Shanker Mishra said that helping women become financially empowered and live a dignified life is one of the priority areas of the government.

The Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM) under the aegis of MoHUA has focussed on equipping the urban poor women with adequate skills and opportunities to enable them to promote sustainable micro enterprises.

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





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