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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

## August GA Quiz 24

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

1. World Entrepreneurs' Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. August 20                      B. August 21                      C. August 22  
D. August 23                      E. None of these

2. Which date was observed as the World Sanskrit Day 2021?

- A. August 21                      B. August 22                      C. August 23  
D. August 24                      E. None of these

3. Kalyan Singh passed away recently. He was former Chief Minister of which state?

- A. Bihar                              B. Madhya Pradesh                      C. Uttar Pradesh  
D. Jharkhand                      E. None of these

4. International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. August 20                      B. August 21                      C. August 22  
D. August 23                      E. None of these

5. Who among the following is the author of the book titled as "Let's Go Time Travelling Again"?

- A. Subhadra Sen Gupta                      B. Anuja Chauhan                      C. Arundhati Roy  
D. Meena Kandasamy                      E. None of these

6. Which of the following IIT has recently developed India's 1st Indigenous Motorised Wheelchair Vehicle called "NeoBolt"?

- A. IIT Kanpur                      B. IIT Madras                      C. IIT Delhi  
D. IIT Mumbai                      E. None of these

**7. OneWeb, Satellite Communications Operator Co-owned by Bharti Airtel and United Kingdom (UK) Government has recently launched how many Satellites into Low Earth Orbit (LEO)?**

- A. 30                                      B. 32                                      C. 36  
D. 34                                      E. None of these

**8. Who among the following has been appointed as the new chairman of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) by the Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet?**

- A. Kamlesh Kumar Pant              B. Vinod Kumar Sharma              C. Rajat Kumar Gupta  
D. Ranjeet Kumar Solanki              E. None of these

**9. La. Ganesan has been appointed as 17th Governor of which state?**

- A. Assam                                      B. Tripura                                      C. Sikkim  
D. Manipur                                      E. None of these

**10. Which company has received the regulatory approval to open a banking unit at India's only International Financial Services Centre at Gandhinagar to carry out offshore transactions?**

- A. Capital One                              B. Chase Bank                              C. Citibank  
D. Standard Chartered                      E. None of these

**11. Which of the following banks is the 1st bank to offer the dual advantage of a 'Blocked Account' along with a complimentary Current Account (within the single account) to the Indian students in Germany?**

- A. HDFC Bank                                      B. YES Bank                                      C. ICICI Bank  
D. IDFC Bank                                      E. None of these

**12. NABARD has extended Rs 24.90 lakh grant for Integrated Mangrove Fishery Farming System (IMFFS) project in which district of Tamil Nadu?**

- A. Cuddalore                                      B. Viluppuram                                      C. Coimbatore  
D. Chennai                                      E. None of these

**13. The total loans and advances extended by NABARD during 2020-21 registered a growth of \_\_\_\_\_ year-on-year to reach Rs 6 lakh crore, with half of it going into production and investment.**

- A. 22.2 per cent                      B. 23.2 per cent                      C. 24.2 per cent  
D. 25.2 per cent                      E. None of these

**14. Which company has announced a strategic partnership with India's largest private sector lender HDFC Bank wherein the two companies will provide innovative digital solutions for financial transformation by combining their strengths in banking, lending, and digital payments space?**

- A. PhonePe                              B. Paytm                              C. Google Pay  
D. Airtel Pay                              E. None of these

**15. Which country is going to host the second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC) in October 2022 with the theme of "Towards Geo-enabling the Global Village"?**

- A. Sri Lanka                              B. India                              C. UAE  
D. Oman                                      E. None of these

**16. Who among the following launched "Yuktdhara" portal to facilitate planning of new MGNREGA assets?**

- A. Ashwini Vaishnaw                      B. Jitendra Singh                      C. Manoj Sinha  
D. Harsh Vardhan                              E. None of these

**17. Who among the following has been appointed as joint secretary in the Ministry of Cooperation which was recently formed with an aim to strengthen the cooperative movement in the country?**

- A. Umesh Singh Yadav                      B. Abhay Kumar Singh                      C. Kishore Kumar Sharma  
D. Manikant Mishra                              E. None of these

**18. Which company is to allow users in the UK to buy, hold and sell crypto currencies through the payment platform for the first time?**

- A. Paytm                                      B. PayPal                                      C. American Express  
D. Capital One                                      E. None of these

**19. Honda Cars India Ltd (HCIL) has joined hands with which bank to offer retail finance schemes to customers?**

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

**20. Which state government has recently launched a comprehensive Talent Search Campaign in the field of sports?**

- A. Uttar Pradesh                      B. Madhya Pradesh                      C. Andhra Pradesh  
D. Arunachal Pradesh                      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
B	B	C	D	A	B	D	A	D	C	C	A	D	B	B	B	B	B	E	B

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** World Entrepreneurs' Day 2021

**What:** was observed on August 21

World Entrepreneurs' Day recognizes and celebrates the efforts of individuals who start a business venture. The day is there to create awareness for entrepreneurship and innovation. However, on World Entrepreneurs' Day 2021, which is on August 21, Saturday, entrepreneurs must ponder on lessons learnt during the ongoing Covid pandemic. The once-in-a-century pandemic was a reality check but taught us to embrace the new normal. A few days back Prime Minister Narendra Modi has released Rs 1,625 crore for women entrepreneurs. There are indications that upcoming one or two years will provide opportunity to everyone to elongate wings and soar.

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

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** World Sanskrit Day 2021

**What:** was observed on August 22

The World Sanskrit Day is observed every year on 'Shravan Poornima' according to the Hindu calendar. In 2021, this day is being observed on August 22, 2021.

The day commemorates the ancient Indian language of Sanskrit and aims to promote its revival and maintenance.

In 2021, India is observing the Sanskrit Week from August 19 to August 25, 2021.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.

**3. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Former Uttar Pradesh chief minister Kalyan Singh

**What:** passes away

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021



Former Uttar Pradesh chief minister and BJP veteran Kalyan Singh, who was ailing for some time, died at the Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences (SGPGI) in Lucknow on Saturday night. He was 89.

Tributes poured in for the prominent backward caste leader with Prime Minister Narendra Modi hailing the two-time Uttar Pradesh chief minister's "indelible contribution" towards the development of the state and the "cultural regeneration" of India.

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition 2021

**What:** was observed on August 23

Every year on 23 August, the world observes the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition. The day is marked to "inscribe the tragedy of the slave trade in the memory of all peoples," according to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO).

The colonial empires of Western Europe were the main beneficiaries from the transatlantic slave trade. The trade transported people, mainly from Africa, in inhuman conditions to work as slaves in the colonial settlements in Haiti, Caribbean, and other parts of the world.

The night of 22-23 August 1791 saw the beginning of an uprising in Santo Domingo, in modern-day Haiti and Dominican Republic. The uprising in the French colony inspired the Haitian Revolution. It also played a major role in the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.

Therefore, the United Nations (UN) decided to commemorate this day as the International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition.

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

#### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Subhadra Sen Gupta's Last Book "Let's Go Time Travelling Again"

**What:** was released

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021

The last book of author Subhadra Sen Gupta, who lost her life to COVID-19 in May 2021, was released by Puffin Books, the children's imprint of Penguin Books on Monday (August 16).

The book is titled 'Let's Go Time Travelling Again' and has illustrations by Tapas Guha, a well-known illustrator for children.

Subhadra was the winner of Sahitya Akademi's 2015 Bal Sahitya Puraskar and wrote over 40 books. Her book, 'Mystery of the House of Pigeons', was adapted into a television series for Doordarshan as 'Khoj Khazana Khojher'. Most of her books are in the genres of historical fiction and non-fiction, but she also wrote travelogues, comic strips, and detective and ghost stories. Her works were also chosen as part of NCERT textbooks. Three of her books, 'Twelve O'Clock Ghost Stories', 'Jodh Bai' and 'A Clown for Tenali Rama' were included in the annual White Ravens catalog at the Bologna Children's Book Fair.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IIT Madras

**What:** develops India's first indigenous motorised wheelchair vehicle

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras has developed India's first indigenous motorised wheelchair vehicle that can be used not only on roads but even on uneven terrains.

Called 'NeoBolt', it has a maximum speed of 25 kmph and travels up to 25 km per charge. It empowers wheelchair users with a convenient, safe and low-cost mode of outdoor mobility when compared to cars, auto rickshaws or modified scooters. NeoBolt is powered by a Lithium-Ion Battery that will give 25 Kms for every charge.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** OneWeb

**What:** launches 34 Satellites into LEO

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Bharti Group-backed OneWeb, a low earth orbit (LEO) satellite communications company, on Monday confirmed the launch of 34 satellites by Arianespace from the Baikonur Cosmodrome.

"The launch follows the successful completion of OneWeb's 'Five to 50' mission and highlights the momentum of the business as it prepares to both introduce commercial service and focus on scaling to global service," the company said.

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





## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Kamlesh Kumar Pant

**What:** appointed new NPPA chairman

**When:** published on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Kamlesh Kumar Pant, a 1993-batch IAS officer of Himachal Pradesh cadre, has been appointed as the new chairman of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) by the Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet.

The pharmaceutical pricing agency was currently headed by IAS officer Shubhra Singh, who was appointed to the post in 2018. Singh has been repatriated to her cadre state Rajasthan, according to an order of the personnel ministry.

Pant, formerly the Principal Secretary (Revenue) in the government of Himachal Pradesh and also the Financial Commissioner (Appeals) at Himachal Pradesh and the head of the Himachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board, has taken charge of NPPA with immediate effect.

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

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** La Ganesan

**What:** appointed as 17th Governor of Manipur

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021

Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader from Tamil Nadu La Ganesan was on Sunday appointed the new governor of Manipur. Ganesan became the 17th governor of the state. The post of the governor had fallen vacant after the retirement of Najma Heptulla earlier this month.

A communique from the Rashtrapati Bhavan said Ganesan will be the new "Governor of Manipur with effect from the date he assumes charge of his office".

Heptulla had demitted office on 10 August and on the same day the charge was given to Sikkim governor Ganga Prasad.

Speaking about his elevation, Ganesan said, "I feel very elated because my services have been recognised. I am prepared to work in any place in India. BJP has given me an opportunity to work in Madhya Pradesh before and now in the northeast," he stated.

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Citibank

**What:** granted IFSCA licence to set up banking unit at GIFT City

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021

US-headquartered Citibank NA has received the regulatory approval to open a banking unit at India's only International Financial Services Centre at Gandhinagar, to carry out offshore transactions, said sources privy to the development.

This has paved the way for the first US bank to set up a branch at the Gujarat Finance Tec-City (GIFT City). "We issued a licence to Citibank on Monday to set up its IFSC banking unit at GIFT," confirmed Dipesh Shah, development head, International Financial Services Centres Authority, the unified regulator for development and regulation of financial products, financial services and financial institutions at IFSCs.

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** ICICI Bank Germany

**What:** Launches Blocked Account\* For Indian Students

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

ICICI Bank Germany, a part of ICICI Bank, today announced the launch of a digital and instant Blocked Account\* for students aspiring to study in Germany. A Blocked Account\* is a special type of account wherein students are required to keep a certain amount of money in order to get a Balance Confirmation Certificate (BCC), a mandatory requirement for a student Visa in Germany. Only banks, which are authorized by German Federal Foreign Office, can offer the Blocked Account\*.

The new 'ICICI Bank Germany Student Blocked Account' enables students to deposit the required amount with the Bank and get the BCC. Students can open this account online from the comfort of their homes in India before their Visa applications, without visiting an ICICI Bank branch. This account offers students a complimentary Current Account, that they can use in Germany. It also comes with a VISA debit card which can be used anywhere in the world. The debit card will be delivered to the students at their address in India before they leave for Germany.

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

## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** NABARD

**What:** extends Rs 24.90 lakh grant for fishing project in TN

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021

A statement from the NABARD on Sunday said the MS Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) will be implementing the project that is aimed at increasing the adaptive capacity of the fishing community.

The project is being implemented at Cuddalore district of Tamil Nadu on 2.1 hectare of land in Mudusalodai village and involves traditional and Irula fishers from Mudosalodai and Kalaingar coastal hamlets mostly from Pichavaram.

Scientists at the MSSRF said this was a new kind of farming system wherein earthen aquaculture ponds are modified to provide 30 per cent of the area for developing mangroves and the rest for fish cultivation.

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

### 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Nabard's loans

**What:** rise 25.2% to reach Rs 6 trn in FY21

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021

The total loans and advances extended by NABARD during 2020-21 registered a growth of 25.2 per cent year-on-year to reach Rs 6 lakh crore, with half of it going into production and investment, the bank said in its annual report.

The report said NABARD earned Rs 34,671.2 crore income during 2020-21, or a 6.1 per cent increase over the preceding year. Its profit before tax in 2020-21 was Rs 6,081.4 crore, against Rs 5,234.3 crore in the year-ago period. The profit after tax was Rs 4,320 crore compared with Rs 3,859.2 crore in 2019-20.

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

### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Paytm

**What:** partners with HDFC Bank to provide solutions across payment gateway, POS machines and credit products

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Fintech major Paytm announced a strategic partnership with India's largest private sector lender HDFC Bank wherein the two companies will provide innovative digital solutions for financial transformation by combining their strengths in banking, lending, and digital payments space.

The latest move comes nearly a week after the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allowed the private sector lender to start issuing new credit cards.

In a statement, Paytm said that through this partnership, the two financial institutions will build comprehensive solutions across payment gateway, POS machines and credit products including Paytm Postpaid which is a buy now pay later (BNPL) solution, easy EMI and Flexi pay, and more.

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

## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** to host second UNWGIC next year

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021

India will host the second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC) in October 2022, at Hyderabad, and the theme decided for the next year is- "Towards Geo-enabling the Global Village."

At a curtain-raiser on August 16, 2021, the global geospatial information community was informed that the second United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress (UNWGIC), will be hosted by India in October next year, and their input was used for designing the content of the event.

The curtain raiser was held on the sidelines of the UN Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM), eleventh session, which will take place at the end of this month.

While inaugurating the event, Prof Ashutosh Sharma, Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology (DST), said, "We are excited to host UNWGIC next year and look forward to welcoming all in Hyderabad for the event which will show a glimpse of India's evolving geospatial ecosystem."

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

## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Centre

**What:** unveils 'Yuktdhara' portal for geospatial planning of MGNREGA assets

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021

In a latest move to push further digitisation, in line with the Centre's Digital India programme, the Union government has announced to launch a new geospatial planning portal, 'Yuktdhara', which will help in facilitating new MGNREGA assets using remote sensing and geographic information system-based data.

According to the Union minister Jitendra Singh, the portal is likely to serve as a repository of geotags created under various national rural development programmes. The 'Yuktdhara' portal was launched by minister of rural development and panchayati Giriraj Singh.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Govt

**What:** appoints Abhay Kumar Singh as joint secy in newly created Ministry of Cooperation

**When:** published on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Abhay Kumar Singh has been appointed as joint secretary in the Ministry of Cooperation which was recently formed with an aim to strengthen the cooperative movement in the country, according to a Personnel Ministry order issued on Monday.

Singh, a 2004-batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Bihar cadre, has been appointed as joint secretary in the ministry for a combined tenure of seven years against the newly created post.

The appointment has been cleared by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, according to the order by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT).

Among other appointments, Vijaya Lakshmi Nadendla, a 1995-batch IAS officer of the Bihar cadre, and Priya Ranjan, a 1998-batch Indian Forest Service officer of the Rajasthan cadre, have been appointed as joint secretaries in the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

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

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** PayPal

**What:** to allow UK users buy, hold and sell crypto currency

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

PayPal is to allow users in the UK to buy, hold and sell cryptocurrencies through the payment platform for the first time.

The firm said it would allow customers to choose from four types of cryptocurrency – bitcoin, ethereum, litecoin and bitcoin cash – and that the service would be available via the PayPal app and its website.

A crypto tab will be added to the platform, showing real-time currency prices as well as offering educational content to help answer common questions and learn more about cryptocurrencies, including the potential risks, PayPal said.

Online influencers are giving lessons in various aspects of finance.

The payment company said it hoped that the move to embrace the currency would help improve knowledge and understanding of it.

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

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Honda Cars

**What:** Ties Up With Canara Bank To Offer Finance Options To Customers

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021

Honda Cars India Ltd (HCIL) has joined hands with Canara Bank to offer retail finance schemes to customers.

The partnership facilitates HCIL customers to avail easy financing options and hassle free car loans from Canara Bank for purchase of models like Amaze, City, Jazz and WR-V, the company said in a statement.

Special schemes for the auspicious festivities have also been offered to make this buying season even more attractive and rewarding, it added.

The automaker said it has been partnering with multiple banks to offer such schemes across the country with a special focus on semi-urban to rural regions.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** MP Govt

**What:** launches comprehensive Talent Search Campaign in field of sports

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2021

In Madhya Pradesh, the State Government has launched a comprehensive Talent Search Campaign in the field of sports.

State government has decided to search for new talented players and train them in 18 sports academies of state.

AIR correspondent reports, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that Indian players have made a record in Tokyo Olympics and have opened doors for future possibilities.

The Chief Minister has appealed to the youth interested in sports to register themselves in the Talent Search Campaign of the state.

So far, more than 50 thousand players have applied for online registration of talent search.

On the basis of physical strength and proficiency in sports, promising sportspersons will be groomed through coaching and training in 18 academies equipped with world-class sports facilities.

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





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