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August GA Quiz 25

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

1. "Onam", a harvest festival was recently celebrated in which state?

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

2. Which of the following banks has recently given approval of INR 5100 crore loan for upcoming Ganga Expressway Project in Uttar Pradesh?

- A. State Bank of India B. Bank of Baroda C. Punjab National Bank
D. Union Bank of India E. None of these

3. World Water Week 2021 is being observed from _____.

- A. 24 to 28 August B. 23 to 27 August C. 22 to 26 August
D. 25 to 29 August E. None of these

4. Who among the following is the author of a book titled as 'The Kapil Sharma Story'?

- A. Ajitabha Bose B. Abhijeet Sharma C. Adarsh Mehta
D. Akshay Pandey E. None of these

5. Who among the following has launched the National Monetisation Pipeline?

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman B. Narendra Modi C. Nitin Gadkari
D. Smriti Irani E. None of these

6. India and which country conducted the 'Maritime Partnership Exercise'?

- A. Philippines B. Thailand C. Malaysia
D. Vietnam E. None of these

7. Which aerospace company has received USD 328 Million worth Contract from the Indian Government to provide comprehensive support for the Indian Air Force (IAF) fleet of 12C-130J-30 Super Hercules Aircraft for a period of 5 years?

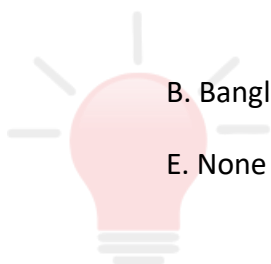
- A. Northrop Grumman B. Boeing C. Lockheed Martin
D. Raytheon Company E. None of these

8. _____ and WRI India have launched 'Forum for Decarbonizing Transport' in India.

- A. National Development Council
B. NITI Aayog
C. Ministry of External Affairs
D. National Human Rights Commission of India
E. None of these

9. Government of India has recently launched 'Operation Devi Shakti' to Evacuate Indians from which country?

- A. Syria B. Bangladesh C. Pakistan
D. Sri Lanka E. None of these



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10. Who among the following has flagged off 'Operation Blue Freedom', a world record expedition by Divyangjans from across India to the world's highest battlefield "Siachen Glacier"?

- A. Virendra Kumar B. Sarbananda Sonowal C. Jyotiraditya Scindia
D. Mansukh L. Mandaviya E. None of these

11. Which of the following countries has ranked 2nd in Cushman Global Manufacturing Risk Index 2021?

- A. Vietnam B. India C. Bangladesh
D. Malaysia E. None of these

12. Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has provided the in-principle approval to which company for launching the mutual fund (MF) business?

- A. Bajaj Finserv Ltd B. Tata Capital Ltd C. Muthoot Finance Ltd
D. Capital First Ltd E. None of these

13. Reserve Bank of India has recently imposed a penalty of ₹27.5 lakh on which bank?

- A. Dhanlaxmi Bank B. Federal Bank C. South Indian Bank
D. Karur Vysya Bank E. None of these

14. Which company has collaborated with Invest India to support tech startups in the country?

- A. Samsung B. Apple C. Microsoft
D. Outlook E. None of these

15. According to report of Asian Development Bank, Covid-19 pushed around _____ people in Asia into extreme poverty.

- A. 70 million B. 80 million C. 90 million
D. 100 million E. None of these

16. Which country has tested guided multi-launch rocket system "Fatah-1"?

- A. Bangladesh B. UAE C. Pakistan
D. Kazakhstan E. None of these

17. Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has announced what amount memorial for Karunanidhi on Chennai's Marina beach?

- A. Rs 38 crore B. Rs 40 crore C. Rs 41 crore
D. Rs 39 crore E. None of these

18. Who among the following is the author of the book titled as 'Battlefield'?

- A. Vishram Bedekar B. Anant Marathe C. Malati Bedekar
D. Gajanan Jagirdar E. None of these

19. Which of the following states has recently become 1st state in country to officially implement National Education Policy 2020?

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

20. Which of the following banks has recently opened a floating ATM on Dal Lake in Jammu and Kashmir's Srinagar for the convenience of locals and tourists?

- A. Punjab National Bank B. State Bank of India C. Union Bank of India
D. Jammu and Kashmir Bank 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
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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Onam, Harvest Festival

What: was celebrated in Kerala

When: published on 20th August 2021

Onam is one of the biggest festivals in the state of Kerala and it is marked by the harvest season of the standing crops. Onam, a harvest festival that falls in the months of August/September annually, is celebrated across India and the world, and is main festival among Keralites. According to the Malayali calendar month of Chingam, the festival falls on the 22nd Nakshatra Thiruvonam, and marks the beginning of the Malayalam year, called Kolla Varsham. This year Onam will be on August 21 while the final day on August 23. While, the preparations start 10 days ahead of the three prominent days. Grand feasts are prepared on this occasion which is known as 'onamsadya'. While, another interesting thing about this festival is the, Vallamkali or boat race is also common during Onam celebrations.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: UP's Upcoming Ganga Expressway

What: Receives INR 5100 Crore Loan from PNB

When: published on 22nd August 2021

The Uttar Pradesh government on Saturday received the sanction letter of ₹ 5100 crore loan for the 594-kilometre-long Ganga Expressway project from the Punjab National Bank (PNB) in the presence of Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman and chief minister Yogi Adityanath at an event in Lucknow.

Sitharaman hailed Adityanath for creating an investment-friendly atmosphere in Uttar Pradesh.

This expressway will be the longest in north India and the second longest in the country. The project's estimated cost is ₹36,230 crore.

SS Mallikarjuna Rao, managing director and chief executive officer (CEO) of PNB, handed over the approval letter to the state government at a ceremony at the Indira Gandhi Prathisthan in the state capital.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: World Water Week 2021

What: is being observed from 23 to 27 August

World Water Week 2021 will take place 23-27 August under the theme Building Resilience Faster. It will be held entirely online, in a new, digital format designed to ensure that people across the world can collaborate to find solutions to the world's greatest water-related challenges.

The world is changing and so are we. World Water Week 2021 will have a new, digital format to meet people where they are – both physically and mentally – and find better ways to bring about the transformation we all know is desperately needed. “Given the ongoing global pandemic, this was a natural decision. No one knows what the world will look like in August 2021, but one thing you can count on – World Water Week is happening, no matter what. For us, it is important to be able to promise that,” says Torgny Holmgren, Executive Director of Stockholm International Water Institute.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Bestselling author Ajitabha Bose

What: launches the biography of Kapil Sharma on his show

When: published on 23rd August 2021

Ajitabha Bose has written a biography on the life journey of Kapil Sharma. The book's name is The Kapil Sharma Story. This is the first book which is been written on the journey of the self-made superstar, Kapil Sharma. This book tells the actor and comedian's story from the beginning.

The foreword of the book is written by the superstar Dharmendra. Other celebrities like Archana Puran Singh, Sonu Sood, Kiku Sharda, Sumona Chakravati, Shruti Seth, Pranay Parmar, Sufiyan Siddiquie, and many more have shared their experiences about working with Kapil Sharma.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: FM

What: launches National Monetisation Pipeline; assets worth Rs 6 lakh cr to be sold in 4 years

When: published on 25th August 2021

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Monday launched the National Monetisation Pipeline. Through the NMP, the government will be listing out its infrastructure assets worth Rs 6 lakh crore to be sold over the next four years, she said.

The NMP comprises a four-year pipeline of the central government's brownfield infrastructure assets. Besides providing visibility to investors, the NMP will also serve as a medium-term roadmap for the asset monetisation initiative of the government.

"The asset monetisation programme has taken shape because of the vision of our Hon'ble Prime Minister who has always believed in universal access to high-quality and affordable infrastructure to the common citizen of India," said the Finance Minister, while launching the pipeline.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Navies of India and Philippines

What: conduct military drills in South China Sea

When: published on 24th August 2021

India on Monday carried out a naval exercise with the Philippines in the South China Sea, five days after it conducted a similar drill with Vietnam in the region that has been witnessing growing Chinese military expansionism.

While the Indian Navy deployed its guided missile destroyer INS Ranvijay and guided missile corvette INS Kora in the exercise, the Philippine Navy was represented by its frigate BRP Antonio Luna, officials said.

The Philippines government refers to the eastern parts of the South China Sea as the West Philippine Sea.

The Indian and Vietnamese navies carried out a naval exercise in the South China Sea on August 18.

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Lockheed Martin

What: Signs FOS Contract Worth USD 328 Mn To Support IAF's C-130J Aircraft Fleet

When: published on 24th August 2021

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has now signed a five-year contract with Lockheed Martin to bolster the IAF fleet. The deal worth USD 328.8 million will see the American arms and defence company provide dedicated and comprehensive support for the 12 C-130J-30 Super Hercules Aircraft. The deal was signed as Lockheed Martin was the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) of the aircraft.

According to an official release, Lockheed Martin will look into the programme, logistics and engineering support elements of these aircraft. As part of the high budget Follow On Support II (FOS)

contract, teams of the American company will work on the elements necessary to sustain the IAF's C-130J fleet. The contract that spans over a period of five years is a Direct Commercial Sale and is a continuation of a prior five-year FOS I contract which ensured similar services for the fleet from Lockheed Martin.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: NITI Aayog, WRI

What: launch forum for decarbonisation of transport sector

When: published on 25th August 2021

Indian government's think-tank NITI Aayog, in collaboration with World Resources Institute (WRI), launched the Forum for Decarbonising Transport in the country on Tuesday.

"Through this forum, the WRI India team, along with NITI Aayog and other project partners, will work in close coordination with all the stakeholders to formulate strategies and develop appropriate business models to accelerate electric mobility in India," read the official government statement.

It further said that the forum aims to create a platform to initiate dialogues for the development of uniform policies and help achieve specific results in reducing carbon emissions from the transport sector.

India is currently engaged in building a domestic renewable automotive industry with the aim to become the world's largest electric vehicle manufacturing and supplying hub. Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari recently told HT Auto EV Conclave that battery electric vehicle and fuel-cell vehicle technologies are all set to overtake fossil-run vehicles in the country by 2050.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: India's evacuation mission from Afghanistan

What: named 'Operation Devi Shakti'

When: published on 24th August 2021

India termed the evacuation operation from Afghanistan in the backdrop of the Taliban's takeover of the country last week as "Operation Devi Shakti".

Taking to Twitter, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said: "Op Devi Shakti continues. 78 evacuees from Kabul arrive via Dushanbe. Salute @IAF_MCC, @AirIndia and #TeamMEA for their untiring efforts. #DeviShakti."

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment Virendra Kumar

What: flagged off 'Operation Blue Freedom'

When: published on 16th August 2021

Bringing India on the global stage as a leader in empowering Divyangjan (people with disabilities), Union Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Dr Virendra Kumar flagged off 'Operation Blue Freedom', an expedition by the people with disabilities from across India to the world's highest battlefield – Siachen Glacier.

Under the initiative, selected people with disabilities from across the nation will undertake an expedition to Kumar Post (Siachen Glacier) to create a new world record to scale the world's highest battlefield.

The Union Minister unfurled the national flag at Dr Ambedkar International Centre, New Delhi to start the pioneering expedition 'Operation Blue Freedom'. Dr Ambedkar International Centre is a premier autonomous research body, which is working towards providing policy feed to empower marginalised communities and to bring in Socio-Economic transformation in the society.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: India

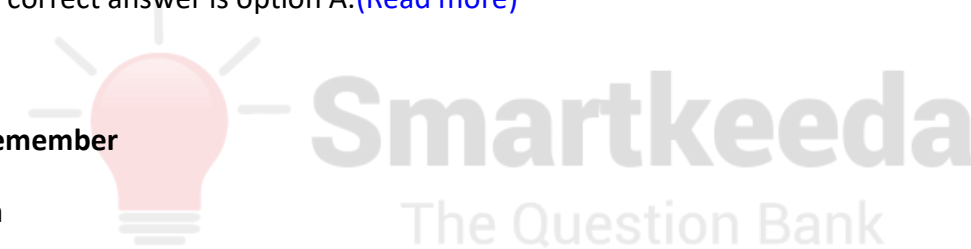
What: ranked 2nd in Cushman Global Manufacturing Risk Index 2021

When: published on 24th August 2021

The unprecedented times of the COVID-19 pandemic has shaken up the entire world and India too has not been spared through the adverse impact of the same. However, even in such situations, India has emerged as a global manufacturing hub and effectively surpassed the United States to become the world's second most desired manufacturing destination. This indicates the growing interest in India by manufacturers as a preferred manufacturing hub over other countries including the United States and the manufacturing giant nation, China. India's ranking was reflected in Cushman & Wakefield's 2021 Global Manufacturing Risk Index.

In regards to manufacturing, often compared to its Asian rival, India has a huge population, which means a younger workforce with innovative capabilities that has the potential to fuel the country's manufacturing sector. The rise in the rank for India is ascribed to the country's working conditions and competitiveness in terms of value. Further, India's performance in meeting outsourcing requirements is also responsible for an annual increase in the rankings.

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



12. Hints to Remember

Who: Bajaj Finserv

What: gets Sebi nod to launch mutual fund business

When: published on 24th August 2021

Bajaj Finserv said it has received an in-principle approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for sponsoring a mutual fund. The Company has received an In-Principle approval from Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide their letter dated 23 August 2021, for sponsoring a Mutual Fund.

Accordingly, the company would be setting up an Asset Management Company and the Trustee Company, directly or indirectly i.e., itself or through its subsidiary in accordance with applicable SEBI Regulations and other applicable laws," said the communication from Bajaj Finserv.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: Imposes Rs 27.5 Lakh Penalty On Dhanlaxmi Bank

When: published on 23rd August 2021

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of ₹27.5 lakh on Thrissur-based Dhanlaxmi Bank. Further, a ₹20 lakh penalty was also slapped on the NE & EC Railway Employees' Multi-State Primary Cooperative Bank, Gorakhpur.

In a statement issued on Monday, the banking regulator said Dhanlaxmi Bank is facing penalties for contravention of a section of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 read with a paragraph of The Depositor Education and Awareness Fund Scheme, 2014 (the scheme).

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Microsoft

What: partners Invest India to support tech startups

When: published on 24th August 2021

Microsoft India has collaborated with Invest India to support tech startups in the country.

As part of the partnership, the Microsoft for Startups programme will work closely with Accelerating Growth of New India's Innovations (AGNI Mission) - a programme of the Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India, a statement said.

Housed and executed by Invest India, AGNI Mission helps startups become enterprise-ready.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Covid-19

What: pushes 80 million people in Asia into extreme poverty: ADB

When: published on 24th August 2021

The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has pushed an estimated 75 million to 80 million more people in developing Asia into extreme poverty as of last year compared with what would have happened without COVID-19, according to a new report by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) released on Tuesday.

The "Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2021" says the pandemic is threatening Asia and the Pacific's progress toward critical targets under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Assuming that the pandemic has increased inequality, the relative rise in extreme poverty -- defined as living on less than 1.90 dollars a day -- may be even greater. Progress has also stalled in areas such as hunger, health and education where earlier achievements across the region had been significant, albeit uneven.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Pakistan

What: tests guided multi-launch rocket system Fatah-1

When: published on 24th August 2021

The Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) Tuesday announced Pakistan's successful test flight of the 'indigenously' developed Fatah-1 —guided multi-launch rocket system.

The director-general ISPR said in a Twitter post that the rocket system is capable of delivering a conventional warhead for the country.

"The Weapon System will give Pakistan Army capability of precision target engagement deep in enemy territory," read the post.

The test flight of the Shaheen-1A ballistic missile on March 26, 2021, was the last successful test conducted by Pakistan.

According to the ISPR, the missile, having a range of 900 kilometres, was tested to revalidate various design and technical parameters of the weapon system, including an advanced navigation system, the military's media wing said.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Tamil Nadu CM

What: announces Rs 39 crore memorial for Karunanidhi on Chennai's Marina beach

When: published on 24th August 2021

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin announced in the Legislative Assembly on Tuesday that the DMK will set up a memorial to the Chief Minister Karunanidhi at Chennai's Marina Beach.

"A memorial for the late CM Karunanidhi will be set up on 2.23 acres at Marina Beach, Kamaraj Road at a cost of Rs 39 crore. The memorial is to be built with modern light films on Karunanidhi's life," said Stalin in the Legislative Assembly.

He announced that the memorial would commemorate the life of Karunanidhi, who played a major role in the progress of Tamil Nadu.

Karunanidhi contested and won in all Tamil Nadu Assembly general elections since 1957 except 1984 when he didn't contest the election.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: 'Battlefield'

What: is a book by Vishram Bedekar

When: published on 21st August 2021

The book titled 'Battlefield' written by Vishram Bedekar, translated from the Marathi original Ranaangan by Jerry Pinto.

The book is the story of a shipboard romance between an Indian man and a German-Jewish woman, both fleeing Europe before the Second World War.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Karnataka

What: becomes 1st state in country to officially implement National Education Policy 2020

When: published on 24th August 2021

Karnataka has become the first state in the country to officially implement the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020. Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan virtually launched the NEP in the state yesterday. Speaking on the occasion, Mr Pradhan said, Karnataka has set an example for other states with the implementation of the National Education Policy. The Admission module under the new policy was also launched on the occasion.

At the event, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai announced that the state will launch a policy of digitisation and research and development under the new Education policy. Under the digitisation policy, degree level students will be given iPad for digital learning. Mr. Bommai said there are 180 research and development centres in Bengaluru which can be accessed by the students under the new policy.

After the launch yesterday, admission process under the new policy will be initiated by the Universities in the state. A website and a helpline were also launched on the occasion for the reference of students. Those admitted to the new degree programme will be given Tablet PCs. The teaching programme will begin from 1st of October. During the event, Primary and Secondary Education Minister B C Nagesh and Higher Education Minister Dr. C N Ashwath Narayan were present.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: SBI

What: opens floating ATM on houseboats on Srinagar's Dal Lake

When: published on 24th August 2021

The State Bank of India (SBI) has opened a floating ATM on Dal Lake in Jammu and Kashmir's Srinagar for the convenience of locals and tourists.

The floating ATM was inaugurated on August 16 by SBI Chairman Dinesh Khare. The bank said that the ATM, besides fulfilling a long-standing need, will add attraction to the charm of Srinagar.

"SBI opened an ATM on a Houseboat at #DalLake, Srinagar for the convenience of locals and tourists. It was inaugurated by the Chairman, SBI, on August 16. The floating ATM in the popular Dal Lake fulfils a long-standing need and will be an added attraction to the charm of Srinagar," SBI had tweeted.

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



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