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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 31

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

- 1. Which of the following bank has recently introduced "KBL FASTag" for seamless toll deduction?
- A. Bank of Baroda B. Karnataka Bank C. Tamil Nadu Bank
- D. Kerala Bank E. None of these

### 2. Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has recently banned Kotak Mahindra AMC from launching Fixed Maturity Plan (FMP) for the next \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 12 months B. 3 months C. 6 months
- D. 18 months E. None of these

3. President of India h	as recently	laid fou	ndation	stone of	Uttar	Pradesh's	first .	Ayush I	University	in which
city?										

A. Mathura	B. Gorakhpur	C. Ayodhya
D. Varanasi	E. None of these	

#### 4. Ministry of Textiles has recently partnered with which organisation to launch the project 'INDIAsize'?

- A. National Institute of Fashion Technology
- B. National Institute of Design
- C. Pearl Academy
- D. Indian Institute of Foreign Trade
- E. None of these

### 5. 3 cities of which state were awarded "Water Plus" certification by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Government of India?

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



### 6. Who among the following has been appointed as the acting Chief Justice (CJ) of the Gujarat High Court (HC)?

- A. Markandey Katju B. Nagendra Kumar Jain C. Sanjay Kishan Kaul
- D. Vineet Kothari E. None of these

7. Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has recently inaugurated 12 developmental projects in which state?

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

#### 8. National Remote Sensing Day 2021 was observed on which date?

- A. August 28 B. August 29 C. August 30
- D. August 31 E. None of these

## 9. The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (MoEFCC) has notified Deepor Beel Wildlife Sanctuary as an eco-sensitive zone. The Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state?

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

10. Which of the following banks is going to divest 19.18% in Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd (ARCIL)?

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

11. Which Insurance Company has launched Ananda (Atma Nirbhar Agents New Business Digital Application) mobile app via video conferencing event in Hyderabad, Telangana?

- A. Life Insurance Corporation B. SBI Life Insurance
- C. Tata AIA Life Insurance D. Oriental Insurance Company
- E. None of these



12. According to	the 202	L Global	DeFi	Adoption	Index by	/ blockchain	data	platform	Chainalysis,	what
India's rank?										

A. $5^{th}$ B. $6^{th}$ C. $4^{th}$	A. 5 <sup>th</sup>	B. 6 <sup>th</sup>	C. 4 <sup>th</sup>
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D. 7<sup>th</sup> E. None of these

13. Name the High Jumper who has won the silver medal at the Tokyo Paralympics.

- A. Nishad Kumar B. Arun Kumar C. Sanjay Kumar
- D. Ishu Kumar E. None of these

#### 14. Who among the following has won the silver medal in table tennis at Tokyo Paralympics?

- A. Surabhi Shamra B. Ashwini Kumari C. Bhavina Patel
- D. Urmila Patil E. None of these

#### 15. Which government agency has bagged CII Energy Leader Award?

A. BHEL	B. GAIL	C. NTPC	eda
D. ONGC	E. None of these	e Question I	Bank

#### 16. Which country has appointed former Roads Minister Mohammad Eslami as head of nuclear agency?

- A. Syria B. UAE C. Oman
- D. Iran E. None of these

### 17. Who among the following appointed as Managing Director in National Food Security Mission (NFSM)?

- A. Suresh Kumar Yadav B. Pramod Kumar Meherda C. Mahendra Pal Singh
- D. Alok Kumar Nath E. None of these

### 18. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has increased incentives for banks for the distribution of coins to the general public to \_\_\_\_\_\_ per bag with effect from September 1.

- A. Rs 65 B. Rs 70 C. Rs 75
- D. Rs 55 E. None of these



### 19. The first commercial batch of Covaxin was released on Sunday from the new plant of Bharat Biotech at \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Gujarat by union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya.

- A. Vadodara B. Ankleshwar C. Surat
- D. Vapi E. None of these

### 20. Who among the following has launched e-Photo Exhibition "Making of the Constitution" and Virtual Film Poster Exhibition "Chitranjali@75"?

A. Prem Kumar Dhumal B. Kiren Rijiju

C. Nirmala Sitharaman

D. Anurag Thakur 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: Karnataka Bank

What: launches KBL FASTag for seamless toll deduction

When: published on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Karnataka Bank on Wednesday launched KBL FASTag for seamless movement of vehicles at toll plazas by facilitating automatic deduction of the toll amount.

Karnataka Bank launched its KBL FASTag, a pre-loaded payment instrument to facilitate seamless movement of vehicles at the toll plazas across India, in association with NPCI and Worldline, the FASTag processor, the bank said in a release.

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

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: SEBI

What: banned Kotak Mahindra AMC from launching FMP for 6 months

When: published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Sebi on Friday banned Kotak AMC from launching new Fixed Maturity Plan (FMP) schemes for the next six months, the markets regulator said in an order issued on August 27. Sebi also imposed a penalty of Rs 50 lakh on the asset management company.

The order was passed after the markets regulator noticed the investors of certain FMPs launched by Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund were not paid their full proceeds based on the declared Net Asset Value (NV) as on their respective maturity dates. The order will come into force with immediate effect, as per Sebi.

Kotak AMC has been directed to pay the penalty within forty-five days from the date of the order and must refund part of the investment management and advisory fees collection from the unitholders of the six FMP schemes.

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



Who: President

What: lays foundation stone of Uttar Pradesh's first Ayush University in Gorakhpur

#### When: published on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021

President Ram Nath Kovind said that the world has recognised the potential of traditional Indian medical practices in the times of Covid pandemic. He said that the time has come to give recognition to the AYUSH medical practices at the global level and the establishment of AYUSH University in Uttar Pradesh will help immensely in this regard.

On his third day visit to Uttar Pradesh, President laid the foundation stone of the Mahayogi Guru Gorakhnath AYUSH University, state's first AYUSH University in Gorakhpur today. He said that the central government has established a dedicated AYUSH Ministry in 2014 to promote the traditional Indian medical practices. He said that it is heartening to know that Uttar Pradesh has also established a dedicated AYUSH University will come up in the state.

During his visit to Gorakhpur, the President also inaugurated Mahayogi Gorakhnath University. In his address, the President said that the National Education Policy 2020 envisages character building through education. He said that the aim of NEP-2020 is to incorporate the values of morality, rationality, compassion and sensitivity in the students. He said that NEP-2020 will enable students to get employment. The President also said that one of the objectives of the National Education Policy is to upgrade the curriculum of our educational institutions.

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

Who: Ministry of Textiles and NIFT

What: join hands to complete the first survey on standard Indian body sizes

When: published on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021

With a notable rise in the e-commerce retail sector in recent times, the absence of a standardized size chart for Indian consumers is a major deterrent for the growth of the domestic textile and Indian apparel industry. To counter this problem at the grass-root level, National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), New Delhi, under the aegis of the Ministry of Textiles, Govt. of India has initiated a massive national sizing survey to create an anthropometric database of measurements for Indians, which is a true representative of the entire Indian population.

The monumental project approved by the Government of India and supported by industry consortium CMAI entails measuring more than 25000 (Twenty-Five Thousand) people in the age group of 15- 65 years in six different cities located in six regions of India i.e. New Delhi (North), Mumbai (West), Chennai (South), Hyderabad (Centre), Kolkata (East) and Shillong (North-East) using non-contact human safe 3D body scanning technology.

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



Who: 3 Cities in Andhra Pradesh

What: are Awarded Water Plus Certification

When: published on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021

In a major development, the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) shortlisted a total of 9 cities across the country for Water Plus Certification, which is awarded under Swachh Bharat Mission and Swachh Survekshan assessment. Out of these 9 cities shortlisted and awarded, three cities are of Andhra Pradesh.

The Chief Minister's Office in the state issued a statement that reads: "With this, Andhra Pradesh becomes the only state in India to have more than one Water Plus city. The certified municipal corporations are Tirupati Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation and Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC),"

The statement from the CMO said that according to the MoHUA's outlined guidelines, the Water Plus certification is given to cities that have already achieved Open Defecation Free (ODF) or ODF+/ODF++ statuses.

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

#### 6. Hints to Remember

Who: Justice Vineet Kothari

What: appointed Gujarat High Court Acting Chief Justice till Sept 2, Justice RM Chhaya to take over after

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When: published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021

The Central government has notified the appointment of Justice Vineet Kothari as Acting Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court until his retirement on September 2, 2021.

The development comes in the wake of Chief Justice Vikram Nath's recent elevation to the Supreme Court of India.

Justice Vikram Nath today bid farewell to the Gujarat High Court and is slated to assume office as a Supreme Court judge next week.

In view of the same, the President has now appointed the senior most judge of the Gujarat High Court, Justice Vineet Kothari, to perform the duties of the office of Chief Justice with effect from the date on which Chief Justice Nath relinquishes office.

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



Who: Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman

What: inaugurated 12 developmental projects in Tripura

When: published on 27th August 2021

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated 12 developmental projects in Tripura. She reviewed the progress of Externally Aided Projects (EAP) worth Rs 7,719 crore.

The finance minister is on a two-day visit to Tripura. The state is implementing EAPs in the afforestation and livelihood, power transmission, water supply sectors and infrastructure development.

Tripura chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb tweeted, "Attended the Externally Aided Project's review meeting with FM Smt. @nsitharaman Ji Deputy CM @Jishnu\_Devvarma & other officials were present on the occasion These EAPs are important for the holistic development of the state and the betterment of the livelihood of its citizens".

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

#### 8. Hints to Remember

Who: National Remote Sensing Day 2021

What: was observed on 12th August

The Center for Environmental Sciences & Engineering, School of Natural Sciences, celebrated an online event, National Remote Sensing Day on 12th August 2021. National Remote Sensing Day is celebrated on the occasion of birth anniversary of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai, the Father of the Indian Space Program. To mark his milestones and celebrate the legacy of the great visionary, Dr.Vikram Sarabhai, Centre for Environmental Sciences & Engineering (CESE), SNU Delhi-NCR celebrated the Remote Sensing Day on 12th August 2021 followed by two talks by eminent scientists known in the field of Remote Sensing.

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This event was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. Rupamanjari Ghosh and presided over by the Dean, School of Natural Sciences, Dr. Sanjeev Galande, Dean, School of Natural Sciences and coordinated by Dr. Prem C Pandey, CESE, Shiv Nadar University.

The first talk was delivered by Prof M. S. Nathawat, Professor and Director Research, IGNOU, New Delhi, that focused on to understand the development in remote sensing and its applications. Prof. Nathawat is a Professor and Director Research (former Director School of Science), IGNOU, New Delhi.

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



Who: MoEFCC

What: Declares Assam's Deepor Beel Wildlife Sanctuary as eco-sensitive Zone

When: published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021

On August 25, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change notified the eco-sensitive zone of the Deepar Beel Wildlife Sanctuary on the south-western edge of Guwahati.

Deepar Beel is one of the largest freshwater lakes in Assam and the State's only Ramsar site besides being an Important Bird Area. The wetland has for decades been threatened by a railway track — set to be doubled and electrified — on its southern rim, a garbage dump, and encroachment from human habitation and commercial units.

The notification specified an area "to an extent varying from 294 metres to 16.32 km" as the ecosensitive zone, with the total area being 148.9767 sq. km.

But being adjacent to "fast-developing Guwahati", the sanctuary is "facing immense biotic pressure by way of human settlements and ever-increasing development activities", the notification said.

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

#### 10. Hints to Remember

Who: IDBI Bank

What: Divests its Entire 19.18% Stake in ARCIL

When: published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021

IDBI Bank on Friday said its board has Okayed a proposal to divest its entire stake of over 19 per cent in ARCIL.

The decision was taken at a meeting of the board of directors on Friday.

The board has approved the proposal for sale of IDBI Bank's entire holding of 6,23,23,800 fully paid-up equity shares constituting 19.18 per cent of the total equity share capital of Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd (ARCIL), IDBI Bank said in a regulatory filing.

In June this year, IDBI Bank had invited bids from interested parties for the takeover of its stake in the asset reconstruction company.

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

Who: LIC

What: launches Ananda mobile app for agents, intermediaries

When: published on 27th August 2021

Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has launched Ananda mobile app.

"Atma Nirbhar Agents New Business Digital Application, the digital paperless solution for new business processes in LIC has now been provided a new dimension with the launch of Ananda mobile app," LIC said in a statement.

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

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: Ranks 6th in the Global DeFi Adoption Index

When: published on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021

DeFi or decentralised finance represents one of the fastest growing and most innovative sectors of the cryptocurrency economy, and India ranks sixth in terms of DeFi adoption, according to the 2021 Global DeFi Adoption Index by blockchain data platform Chainalysis.

US showed the highest DeFi adoption, followed by Vietnam, Thailand, China and the UK.

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

#### 13. Hints to Remember

Who: Nishad Kumar

What: wins silver medal in T47 high jump event, creates Asian Record

When: published on 29th August 2021

High jumper Nishad Kumar clinched a silver medal in the men's high jump T47 event at the Tokyo Paralympics 2020 on Sunday. He made a jump of 2.06m and also went on to create an Asian record as the event turned out to be a good affair for the Indian para-athlete.

USA's Roderick Townsend and Dallas Wise won gold and bronze medals respectively. Townsend made the jump of 2.15m while Wise recorded a jump of 2.06 m.



Nishad and Wise both finished on the same mark, but Nishad had crossed the 2.02 mark in his first attempt while Wise took two, as a result, Nishad won silver. India's Rampal Chahar finished at the fifth spot with a jump of 1.94m.

The Sports Authority of India took to Twitter to announce the success of Nishad at the Tokyo Paralympics games.

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

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: Bhavina Patel

What: opens India's medal count with historic table tennis silver

When: published on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021

India's Bhavinaben Patel scripted history on Sunday, August 29, becoming only the 2nd Indian woman to win a Paralympic medal. The 34-year-old bagged the silver medal in women's table tennis C4 category after losing to World No. 1 Zhou Ying of China in the gold medal match at the Tokyo Paralympics.

Bhavinaben Patel, featuring in her first-ever Paralympic Games, was at absolute best, stunning big names in the sport. However, Zhou Ying rallied to her 6th Gold medal in Paralympics with a dominant win over the Indian in the final.

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

Who: NTPC

What: bags CII Energy Leader Award

When: published on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021

In yet another major achievement, the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC), Ramagundam, has bagged the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Energy Leader Award-2021. The award was present during the virtual CII energy summit, held between August 24 and 27. The unit in Ramagundam is the only station of the NTPC to get the top award in power category. This is the third consecutive year that NTPC-Ramagundam bagged the prestigious award.

The CII Energy Leader Award is conferred for exemplary performance and contribution in the area of energy efficiency and environment protection and implementation of energy management system as per ISO 50001 standards.

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



Who: Iran

What: appointed former Roads Minister Mohammad Eslami as head of nuclear agency

When: published on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Iran's president on Sunday appointed a new director of the country's nuclear department, state TV reported, replacing the nation's most prominent nuclear scientist with a minister who has no reported experience in nuclear energy but ties to the defence ministry.

Iran's newly elected hard-line President Ebrahim Raisi chose Mohammad Eslami, a 64-year-old civil engineer who previously oversaw the country's road network, to lead Iran's civilian nuclear program and serve as one of several vice presidents. He succeeds Ali Akbar Salehi, a US-educated scientist who was a key player during the years of intense international diplomacy that led to Tehran's now-tattered 2015 landmark nuclear deal with world powers.

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

#### 17. Hints to Remember

Who: IAS Officer Pramod Kumar Meherda

What: Take Charg<mark>e As MD In</mark> National Food Security Mission

When: published on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Shri Pramod Kumar Meherda IAS (Odisha 1997), has been appointed as Managing Director, National Food Security Mission (NFSM) under the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare with additional charge of the post of Secretary, Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) for a tenure of five years from the date of assumption of the charge of the post vice Ms. Neeraja Adidam IFoS (UP 1990).

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

#### 18. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: increases the incentive for distribution of coins over the counter by banks to Rs 65

When: published on 28<sup>th</sup> August 2021

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has increased incentives for banks for the distribution of coins to the general public to Rs 65 per bag with effect from September 1.

Currently, the incentive is Rs 25 per bag.

In a circular, the RBI said that an additional incentive of Rs 10 per bag would be paid for coin distribution in rural and semi-urban areas on the submission of a auditor certificate to this effect. The distribution of coins shall also be verified by RBI Regional Offices during inspection of currency chest or incognito visit to branches among others.

Further, the RBI said that with a view to meet the coin requirements of bulk customers (requirement of more than 1 bag in a single transaction), banks are advised to provide coins to such customers purely for business transactions. The banks may also endeavour to provide such services as part of their Board approved policy on 'Door Step Banking' services.

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

#### **19. Hints to Remember**

Who: First commercial batch of Covaxin

What: released from Bharat Biotech's new plant at Ankleshwar in Gujarat's Bharuch district

When: published on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2021

The first commercial batch of Covaxin was released on Sunday from the new plant of Bharat Biotech at Ankleshwar in Gujarat's Bharuch district by union health minister Mansukh Mandaviya.

"Vaccination is the most important thing to strengthen the country's fight against coronavirus. Released the first commercial batch of #COVAXIN from Bharat Biotech's plant at Ankleshwar, Gujarat today. This will increase the supply of vaccine in the country and will help the vaccine reach every Indian," Mandaviya tweeted soon after the event.

The government had earlier this month given approval to Bharat Biotech's Ankleshwar-based manufacturing plant to produce anti-COVID-19 vaccine Covaxin.

In May, Bharat Biotech announced that it planned to produce an additional 200 million doses of Covaxin at its subsidiary's Ankleshwar-based facility. The Hyderabad-based firm had noted that it would utilise the manufacturing plant of its wholly-owned unit, Chiron Behring, to add another 200 million doses of Covaxin.

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

#### 20. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Minister Anurag Thakur

What: launches e-Photo Exhibition "Making of the Constitution" and Virtual Film Poster Exhibition "Chitranjali@75"

When: published on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2021



Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting, and Youth Affairs & Sports, Shri Anurag Singh Thakur and Minister of Tourism, Culture and Development of North Eastern Region of India, Shri G. Kishan Reddy today inaugurated e-Photo exhibition "Making of the Constitution" and Virtual Film Poster Exhibition "Chitranjali@75" along with Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying and Ministry of Information and Broadcasting Dr. L. Murugan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs and Culture, Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal and Minister of State for External Affairs and Culture, Smt Meenakshi Lekhi.

The event was organized as part of 'Iconic Week' being celebrated by Ministry of I&B along with various media units to celebrate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav with the objective to showcase the journey of New India and celebrate the contribution of freedom fighters including the 'Unsung Heroes' of the freedom struggle through massive outreach activities.

Speaking at the event, Shri Anurag Thakur said that the purpose of the e-photo exhibition is to inform people on the making of the Constitution. The exhibition, a step in the direction of Jan-bhagidari, will not only encourage the youth of the country to learn about the Constitution but also educate them on their rights as well as enlighten them on the spirit of their duties towards the nation.

Shri Thakur announced that very soon the Government will run a 'Know Your Constitution' programme to encourage the youth to partner in the efforts to propagate the founding principles of India's Constitution.

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









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