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August GA Quiz 7

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

1. To give boost to agricultural and processed food products exports especially from Karnataka, the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University of Agricultural Science (UAS). The UAS is located in which city?

- A. Chennai B. Bengaluru C. Madurai
D. Mangalore E. None of these

2. In a bid to ensure pathway for MSME products to International market, Which State Government has signed MoU with 'Walmart Vriddhi' and 'Haqdarshak' company?

- A. Punjab B. Jharkhand C. Gujarat
D. Rajasthan E. None of these

3. Which government has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NABARD and AIFA to boost the execution of development projects in the state?

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

4. Name the person who is the author of the book 'A Begum and A Rani'.

- A. Rudrangshu Mukherjee B. Pratap Bhanu Mehta C. Malabika Sarkar
D. Nayanjot Lahiri E. None of these

5. In order to provide free access to information on all customs procedures and regulatory compliance, the Central Board for Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) launched a dedicated portal. CBIC is headquartered in which city?

- A. Mumbai B. Chennai C. New Delhi
D. Kolkata E. None of these



6. Which IIT has developed India's 1st Earthquake Early Warning Mobile App for Uttarakhand?

- A. IIT Mumbai
- B. IIT Delhi
- C. IIT Gorakhpur
- D. IIT Kolkata
- E. None of these

7. India has recently recorded highest ever monthly merchandise export of _____ in July 2021.

- A. \$31.17 billion
- B. \$34.17 billion
- C. \$36.17 billion
- D. \$35.17 billion
- E. None of these

8. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently extended the timeline for Banks to implement the revised rules on opening current accounts till _____.

- A. October 31, 2021
- B. September 30, 2021
- C. November 30, 2021
- D. December 31, 2021
- E. None of these

9. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has partnered with which organization through the NAB Foundation, to offer storage facilities for the Farmers Producer Organisation (FPOs) at lower rates for the next 5 years?

- A. Food Corporation of India
- B. Central Warehousing Corporation
- C. Container Corporation of India
- D. NASSCOM
- E. None of these

10. The Government of India (GoI) has signed a US \$250 million loan agreement with which organization for the Second Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (DRIP-2) Phase II, the world's largest dam management program?

- A. International Monetary Fund
- B. World Bank
- C. Asian Development Bank
- D. International Finance Corporation



E. None of these

11. Which of the following countries has recently become 5th country to sign ISA Framework Agreement after Revisions?

- A. France B. Canada C. Germany
D. Indonesia E. None of these

12. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) is going to install how many Agro-Automatic Weather Stations for Farmers' Benefit?

- A. 100 B. 150 C. 200
D. 250 E. None of these

13. S.S. 'Babu' Nayaran passed away recently, was related to which sport?

- A. Football B. Table Tennis C. Tennis
D. Hockey E. None of these

14. TRIFED has recently celebrated which edition of Foundation Day?

- A. 33rd B. 34th C. 35th
D. 36th E. None of these

15. The 2021 Hiroshima Day was observed on which date?

- A. August 5 B. August 6 C. August 7
D. August 4 E. None of these

16. Securities and Exchange Board of India has allowed payments banks to act as:

- A. Insurance Provider B. Investment Bankers C. Personal Loan Provider
D. Only A and B E. All A, B and C



17. Who among the following has recently become the first woman to be appointed as director of the 105-year-old Zoological Survey of India (ZSI)?

- A. Dhriti Banerjee B. Pranchi Verma C. Kanachan Rathor
D. Kamlesh Kumari E. None of these

18. Which of the following countries has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with India for disaster management in the Country?

- A. Vietnam B. Myanmar C. Bangladesh
D. Nepal E. None of these

19. Which of the following banks has recently crossed one million customers on WhatsApp banking?

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

20. Which of the following states has recently received four SKOCH awards for its schemes under the Ease of Doing Business initiative?

- A. Assam B. Jharkhand C. Manipur
D. West Bengal 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	E	D	A	C	E	D	A	B	B	C	C	A	B	B	B	A	C	B	D

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: APEDA

What: inks MoU with University of Agricultural Science, Bangalore for boosting agri-exports

When: published on 4th August 2021

To give boost agricultural and processed food products exports especially from Karnataka, the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) today signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with University of Agricultural Science (UAS) Bangalore.

According to the MoU, the key areas of cooperation include developing technologies jointly with APEDA for advance alertness, efficient & precision farming for enhancing quality exports; diversifying the export basket, destinations and boost high-value agri exports by establishing Brand India globally by increasing agri-exports from Karnataka under Agri Export Policy (AEP) announced by Government of India in 2018.

The collaborations between APEDA, which functions under Ministry of Commerce & UAS, will also help in strengthening forward and backward linkages, participations in international exhibitions and fairs, branding and marketing, establishment of market intelligence cell, developing traceability systems.

The APEDA and UAS, Bangalore will also facilitate participation of farmers, entrepreneurs, exporters and other stakeholders to promote agri-businesses & exports, including B2B & B2C fairs to be organised in India and abroad and also mutually cooperate in market development and traceability in millets and millet products, fresh fruits like Mango, vegetables, jaggery, processed fruits and vegetables. Promotion and hand-holding of Farmer Producer Organizations / Farmer Producer Companies and linking them with international markets will also be the part of the agreement between APEDA and UAS.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Haryana

What: inks MoU with Walmart Vridi and Haqdarshak to take MSME products to international market

When: published on 4th August 2021



In a bid to ensure pathway for MSME products to International market, Haryana Government signed MoU with 'Walmart Vriddhi' and 'Haqdarshak' company.

The MoUs were signed in the presence of Haryana Deputy Chief Minister, Dushyant Chautala who holds the charge of Industries department.

The MoU was signed by Director General, MSMEs Department, Vikas Gupta, on behalf of the Government, . Nittin Dutt on behalf of Walmart Vriddhi and CEO, Aniket Doeger on behalf of Haqdarshak.

Dushyant said on the occasion that the State Government wants to set up more and more industries in the State so that the youth get employment.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt of Assam, NABARD, AIFA

What: Sign MoU to Execute Development Projects

When: published on 5th August 2021

Assam government, NABARD and Assam Infrastructure Financing Authority (AIFA) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to boost the execution of development projects in the state.

The MoU was signed in presence of Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Wednesday. The MoU, with a stake involving Rs 13,200 crore will essentially be used for infrastructural development from NABARD Infrastructure Development Assistance (NIDA) and Rural Infrastructure Assistance to state government (RIAS) in rural and semi urban areas across the state.

The chief minister said on the occasion that the "day was historic" and he hoped that it would usher in a new era of development in the state.

Sarma also said that it would launch a series of capital-intensive projects to bring about a paradigm shift in the development narrative of the state.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: 'A Begum & A Rani'

What: narrates lesser-known stories from the lives of Rani Lakshmbai and Begum Hazrat Mahal

When: published on 5th August 2021



A few years after her heroic death, folk memory — in the form of songs and poems — waxed eloquent of Rani Lakshmibai's valour in the battlefield. At the same time, stories of her alleged "intemperance" spread far and wide, with the British calling her sexually promiscuous, a liquor addict with a violent temper. In sharp contrast to this stands Begum Hazrat Mahal's absence in public memory or recollection.

These are two women who never met each other, but led similar lives, with a common goal: to overthrow British rule in India. While one has been hailed a nationalist icon, the other remains shadowed in forgotten accounts. Right from their eventual rise during a pivotal moment of India's colonial history — the Revolt of 1857 — to their heroic yet poignant deaths, author Rudrangshu Mukherjee's latest non-fiction work, *A Begum & A Rani — Hazrat Mahal and Lakshmibai in 1857*, (published by Penguin), captures what makes them feminist icons.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: CBIC

What: launches new portal to provide info on Customs procedures, regulatory compliance

When: published on 5th August 2021

In order to provide free access to information on all customs procedures and regulatory compliance, the Central Board for Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) launched a dedicated portal on Wednesday. With the newly inaugurated portal, all information pertaining to Customs procedures and regulatory compliance for nearly 12,000 Customs Tariff Items can be accessed free at www.cip.icegate.gov.in/CIP. The portal would provide complete knowledge of all import and export related requirements covered under the Customs Tariff. The recent move will also boost the ease of doing cross border trade.

"CIP is yet another facilitation tool developed by CBIC to empower our business as well as any interested person with up-to-date information on the legal and procedural requirements of Customs and Partner Government Agencies (FSSAI, AQIS, PQIS, Drug Controller etc.) for carrying out imports and exports," said an official release by the ministry. Highlighting the features of CIP, the ministry said, "For using CIP, one can simply enter either the Customs Tariff Heading (CTH) or the description of the goods in question to get information to step-by-step procedures, regulatory compliances requirements like License, Certificates, etc., for imports as well as exports."

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: IIT Roorkee

What: launches earthquake early warning system for Uttarakhand



When: published on 4th August 2021

Indian Institute of Technology in Roorkee (IIT Roorkee) on Wednesday launched an earthquake early warning (EEW) system for Uttarakhand that can alert people about the onset of the calamity through a mobile application.

The real-time earthquake information system can detect the onset of the quake and issue warnings before the significant tremors take hold of the state, the IIT said.

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: Recorded Highest Ever Monthly Merchandise Export of \$35.17 billion in July 2021

When: published on 3rd August 2021

India recorded exports worth \$35.2 billion in July 2021, the highest ever monthly achievement, which showed an increase of 47.91 per cent over \$23.78 billion in July 2020 and an increase of 34.06 per cent over \$26.23 billion in July 2019.

According to figures released by the Ministry of Commerce, merchandise imports also went up to \$46.4 billion in July 2021, leading to the trade deficit widening to \$11.2 billion during the month.

Top five commodity groups of export which recorded positive growth during July 2021 vis-à-vis July 2020 are petroleum products (215.68 per cent), gems and jewellery (130.44 per cent), other cereals (70.25 per cent), man-made yarn and fabrics (58.67 per cent) and cotton yarn and fabrics (48.02 per cent).

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: Extended the Timeline for Banks to Implement Opening Current Accounts Norms till October 2021

When: published on 5th August 2021

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed time to banks till October 31 to implement changes in terms of managing current accounts, following reports of small businesses being hit with account freezing in the last few days.

The central bank cited the circulars it issued in August, November and December last year to say that these are aimed at enforcing credit discipline among the borrowers and also to facilitate better



monitoring by the lenders. The RBI, however, made it clear that a graded approach has been prescribed to banks on opening and operating of current accounts and cash credit/overdraft CC/OD facilities.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: NABARD

What: Partners with CWC to Offer Storage Facility for FPOs

When: published on 5th August 2021

With the aim to fulfill farmers's need of storage to store the crops especially, Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC) will give discount to Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs), promoted by NABARD on storing, crops especially, in the storage space of agency. CWC's 423 warehouses across India have the capacity of 14.5 million tonnes.

CWC and NABARD entered into an agreement on 4th August' 2021 to assist the farmers through providing storage facilities at 30% discount. This is expected to directly benefit around 4000 FPOs, which have been established through support of NABARD.

Central Institute of Post-Harvest Engineering & Technology (CIPHET), a Ludhiana based institute, showed in its study stated post-harvest losses for all agri commodities is Rs 92,651 crore per year. Arun Kumar Shrivastav, MD at CWC, said, "Our decision to provide a 30% rebate to FPOs stems from our belief that we need to engage with these large bodies of farmers to make a substantial difference in the short and medium-term."

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: World Bank

What: to give \$250 million loan for dams safety project

When: published on 5th August 2021

In what will help dam safety in India, a \$250 million project has been inked by the Union government, Central Water Commission, the World Bank and 10 participating states for 120 dams.

This assumes significance given India's efforts to strengthen its dams following incidents of glacier bursts and flash floods. The country has around 5000 large dams that play an important role in India's water security and mitigating floods.

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



11. Hints to Remember

Who: Germany

What: becomes 5th country to sign International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement

When: published on 4th August 2021

Germany on Wednesday became the 5th country to sign International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement after amendments to it entered into force on 8th January this year, opening its Membership to all Member States of the United Nations. Today, Ambassador of Germany to India Walter J. Lindner deposited signed copies of International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement with Ministry of External Affairs, the depositary of Agreement. Signed copies of International Solar Alliance Framework Agreement were handed over to Additional Secretary (Economic Relations) in Ministry of External Affairs.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: IMD

What: to Install Nearly 200 Agro-Automatic Weather Stations for Farmers' Benefit

When: published on 5th August 2021

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has undertaken installation of Agro-Automatic Weather Stations (AWS) at 200 places to provide exact weather forecasts to people, especially farmers, the Parliament was informed on Tuesday.

The 200 Agro-AWS installations were done at District Agromet Units (DAMUs) located in the Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs) under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) network, to augment block-level Agromet Advisory Services (AAS) under the Gramin Krishi Mausam Sewa (GKMS) scheme, Union Minister of State Science & Technology and Earth Sciences Dr Jitendra Singh told the Rajya Sabha in a written reply.

Weather-based operational AAS viz GKMS scheme, rendered by the IMD jointly with the ICAR and State Agricultural Universities, is a step towards weather-based crop and livestock management strategies and operations for the benefit of the farming community in the country, he said.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: India's Olympian footballer SS 'Babu' Narayan

What: passed away



When: published on 6th August 2021

Former Indian footballer SS 'Babu' Narayan, who played at the 1956 and 1960 Olympics, died at his home in Thane, Maharashtra on Thursday. He was 86.

Subramaniam Sankar Narayan is survived by his daughters and a son.

SS Narayan had undergone surgery a few days back and suffered a cardiac arrest moments after being discharged, his family members said.

Babu Narayan, who played for various teams in Mumbai at the domestic level, was a well-known goalkeeper and was called up to the Indian football team for the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne.

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: TRIFED

What: celebrates its 34th Foundation Day

When: published on 6th August 2021

On the occasion, Team TRIFED (TRIFED) reiterated its commitment towards the transformation of tribal lives. It was not only a celebration of the Foundation Day, the event was also organized to raise awareness among one and all regarding the issues related to trade in tribal areas, and the need to ensure a fair deal for the tribes in the commerce of their products.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: 2021 Hiroshima Day

What: was observed on 6th August 2021

August 6, 2021, observed solemnly as Hiroshima Day around the world, will be the 76th anniversary of the atomic bombing of the Japanese city in the final year of World War II. On this day in 1945, the United States dropped the very first deployed nuclear bomb in the city of Hiroshima, wiping out an estimated 39 per cent of the population, most of who were civilians. Along with the atomic bombing of Nagasaki three days later, these instances remain the only recorded use of nuclear weapons in armed conflict.

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



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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Dhriti Banerjee

What: becomes 1st woman director in 100 years of Zoological Survey of India history

When: published on 5th August 2021

Dhriti Banerjee has become the first woman to be appointed as director of the 105-year-old Zoological Survey of India (ZSI).

The appointments committee of the Cabinet on Tuesday “approved the proposal for appointment of Dr Dhriti Banerjee, scientist E, Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) as director ...”. Banerjee will be taking charge some time next week. Speaking to TOI on Wednesday, she said, “I believe ZSI’s 100-year legacy would help me catapult the organization to greener and futuristic heights in biodiversity conservation and sustainable development.”

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: for implementing MoU with Bangladesh in disaster management

When: published on 5th August 2021

New Delhi has showed keen interest to implement the recently signed memorandum of understanding (MoU) on between India and Bangladesh disaster management to become resilient on natural disaster together, BSS reports.



"We must implement the recently concluded MoU in the field of disaster management, resilience and mitigation on a priority basis," Indian External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar wrote in a letter to his Bangladesh counterpart Dr AK Abdul Momen.

Jaishankar expressed his confidence that these mechanisms will help the two countries to remain better prepared to face such challenges in the future.

He mentioned that Bangladesh foreign minister Dr Momen rightly pointed out that the entire world, in particular the South Asian region, is witnessing frequent climate related disasters.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Axis Bank

What: crosses a milestone of 1 million customers on 'WhatsApp Banking'

When: published on 5th August 2021

Axis Bank had launched banking services on WhatsApp in January 2021 and has since witnessed robust organic growth in its customer base for WhatsApp Banking.

With WhatsApp Banking, customers can initiate a simple chat with Axis Bank's registered WhatsApp number 7036165000 and get banking services and FAQ's handled instantly.

This simple and convenient form of banking has seen a great adoption amongst customers with an average Daily Active User count of more than 13,000, while the average Monthly Active User count goes up to 0.2 million.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: West Bengal

What: received four SKOCH awards for its schemes under the Ease of Doing Business initiative

When: published on 3rd August 2021

The Government of West Bengal has received four SKOCH awards for its schemes under the Ease of Doing Business initiative. The State scheme 'Silpasathi'-the online single window portal won the platinum award while the Auto Renewal of Certificate of Enlistment through online system for urban areas has received the gold award. Online issuance of trade licences in rural areas and the E-Nathikaran: the online system for registration, preparation and submission of deeds have won two silver awards.



Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee today tweeted, the state government will ensure that the ease of doing business in West Bengal continues to be one of the foremost in the country.

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





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