



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

December GA Quiz 10

	Directions: Study	the following	questions carefully	, and answers the c	uestions given below
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1. Which agency has recently been declared	as winner of the 2020 Unit	ed Nations Investment Promotion
Award?		

A. Invest India B. Project Monitoring Group C. India Brand Equity Foundation

D. India Bound E. None of these

2. Which two sites in MP have been named in the list of World Heritage Cities by UNESCO?

A. Orchha and Gwalior B. Ujjain and Devas C. Datia and Sonagir

D. Panna and Chanderi E. None of these

3. Which of the following companies has recently tied up with Plum, an employee health insurance startup, to co-create technologically backed group health insurance products?

A. Bajaj Allianz B. ICICI Lombard C. HDFC ERGO

D. ICICI Prudential E. None of these

4. Multilateral lending agency Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a ______ technica assistance to support advanced biofuel development in India.

A. USD1. 5 million B. USD 2. 5 million C. USD 3. 5 million

D. USD 4. 5 million E. None of these

5. Which of the following banks has recently launched the Atmanirbhar Women Scheme?

A. State Bank of India B. Bank of India C. Bank of Baroda

D. Syndicate Bank E. None of these

6. Which small finance bank has recently launched neighbourhood banking channel called "Money Mitra"?

A. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
C. Equitas Small Finance Bank
D. Jana Small Finance Bank

E. None of these

7. Which of the following two countries have jointly announced that "8848. 86 metres" is the revised height of World's Highest Peak, Mount Everest?

A. China and India B. Nepal and India C. Tibet and Nepal

D. China and Nepal E. None of these

8. What is India's rank in the 16th Climate Change Performance Index 2021?

A. 10th B. 11th C. 12th

D. 9th E. None of these



9. Which country is only high	h endemic country to report o	lecline of 17. 6% in malaria cases in 2019?
A. Pakistan	B. Bangladesh	C. Sri Lanka
D. Indonesia	E. None of these	
Confederation of Indian Ind		nall and Medium Enterprises (ni-msme) and the to launch Digital Saksham, a capacity building Es in the country?
A. Visa	B. MasterCard	C. Capital One
D. American Express	E. None of these	
		e launch of a strategic collaboration with United I youths in India in the next 10
A. 200 million	B. 250 million	C. 350 million
D. 300 million	E. None of these	
zoos in A. Jharkhand and Madhya Pr B. Tamil Nadu and Kerala C. Bihar and Uttar Pradesh D. Chhattisgarh and West Be E. None of these 13. Which agency has recer	ngal ntly signed a memorandum o	tuthority (CZA) has accorded recognition to two f understanding (MoU) with Indian Institute of rmada Landscape Restoration Project?
A. Coal India	B. NHPC Limited	C. Power Grid Corporation of India
D. NTPC Limited	E. None of these	
•	(NBCFDC) and National S	ned by National Backward Classes Finance and cheduled Castes Finance and Development
A. Reserve Bank of India	B. State Bank of India	C. Bank of Baroda
D. Central Bank of India	E. None of these	
	lustrial Research-National Mo	nemorandum of understanding (MoU) with the etallurgical Laboratory (CSIR-NML), Jamshedpur
A. Indian Army	B. Indian Navy	C. Indian Air Force
D. Indian Coast Guard	E. None of these	
16. Which of the following o	companies has recently signed	d a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with



virtual mode?

Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA) for Green Energy Projects through

A. SJVN Ltd B. NHPC Limited C. NTPC Limited

D. NLC India Limited E. None of these

17. Who among the following has recently inaugurated the construction of the Agra Metro Rail Project (AMRP)?

A. Narendra Modi B. Yogi Adityanath C. Ram Nath Kovind

D. Rajnath Singh E. None of these

18. Which of the following states has recently launched a project to assist the migrant workers, who lost their jobs due to the Covid-19 pandemic, find suitable employment?

A. Manipur B. Sikkim C. Mizoram

D. Meghalaya E. None of these

19. Who among the following has recently been appointed as the Acting Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir High Court?

A. Ashok Verma B. Rajesh Bindal C. Manik Sharma

D. Alok Thakral E. None of these

20. Which Indian force has celebrated the 260th Corps Day of the Army Service Corps on 08 December 2020?

A. Indian Air Force B. Indian Coast Guard C. Indian Navy

D. Indian Army 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: Invest India

What: wins United Nations Investment Promotion Award for 2020

When: published on 8th December 2020

United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) has declared 'Invest India' as winner of the 2020 United Nations Investment Promotion Award. The award ceremony took place at UNCTAD Headquarters in Geneva yesterday. The Award recognizes and celebrates the outstanding achievements of the World's best-practice investment promotion agencies. The evaluation was based on UNCTAD's assessment of work undertaken by 180 national Investment Promotion Agencies across the world.

The COVID-19 pandemic had generated important challenges for investment promotion agencies. In March 2020, UNCTAD constituted a team to monitor IPAs response to the pandemic. UNCTAD reported best practices from investment promotion agencies in the IPA Observer publications in April and July. IPAs response to the pandemic became the basis for the evaluation of the 2020 United Nations Investment Promotion Award. (Read more)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Fort cities of Gwalior and Orchha in MP

What: named in list of World Heritage Cities by UNESCO

When: published on 8th December 2020

The historical fort cities of Gwalior and Orchha in Madhya Pradesh have been named in the list of World Heritage Cities by UNESCO.

NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Rajiv Kumar said in a tweet that 'Orchha' means 'hidden palace', and true to its name, this majestic city is one of the hidden treasures of the country. He said, Orchha was the capital of the Bundela kingdom in the 16th century. (Read more)



3. Hints to Remember

Who: ICICI Lombard

What: Partners Plum To Co-Create Tech backed Group Health Insurance Products

When: published on 8th December 2020

The partnership is intended to solve four major areas of group health insurance — real-time pricing, onboarding, policy management and claims — through the new products.

ICICI Lombard General Insurance announced that it has tied up with Plum, an employee health insurance startup, to co-create technologically backed group health insurance products.

The penetration of health insurance across India is abysmally low, with 0. 29 per cent of GDP being spent on the health sector. Not surprisingly, India witnesses one of the highest out-of-pocket expenditures. There is an enormous unmet demand for healthcare, with only 2 per cent of the total healthcare expenditure being currently covered by insurance providers. (Read more)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB

What: approves USD 2.5 mn technical assistance for advanced biofuel development in India

When: published on 8th December 2020

Multilateral lending agency Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Monday said it has approved a USD 2. 5 million (about Rs 18 crore) technical assistance to support advanced biofuel development in India.

The grant is funded from the Asia Clean Energy Fund, financed by the Government of Japan under the Clean Energy Financing Partnership Facility, and the Republic of Korea's e-Asia and Knowledge Partnership Fund.

In a statement, ADB said the technical assistance (TA) will support development of advanced bioethanol, bio-compressed natural gas, and biodiesel plants to demonstrate the best practices for suitable feedstock, efficient conversion technology, and sustainable biofuel value chain.

It will also support incorporating gender main-streaming design in the feedstock value chain to promote the empowerment of rural women in agriculture. (Read more)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Bank of Baroda

What: Launches Atmanirbhar Women Scheme

When: published on 7th December 2020



Bank of Baroda (BoB) has launched the Atmanirbhar Women Scheme as part of its Baroda Gold Loan. Under the scheme, the bank is offering loans at 0. 50 per cent concession for women.

The bank under the gold loan scheme is also offering agri-gold loan at 0. 25 percent concession and for retail loan at 0. 50 per cent concession. The scheme was launched at BOB's Ramamurthy Nagar branch in Bengaluru and simultaneously in 18 branches coming under 18 zones in the country, virtually by Sanjiv Chadha, MD & CEO, Bank of Baroda. (Read more)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Ujjivan SFB

What: launches neighbourhood banking channel - Money Mitra

When: published on 7th December 2020

Ujjivan Small Finance Bank on Monday said it has introduced a new channel to make banking services accessible to customers in their neighbourhood.

The channel - Money Mitra - will facilitate entrepreneurs running local businesses like Kirana, medical stores and insurance agencies to offer retail banking solutions to the bank's customers exclusively.

In these outlets, the lender's customers can make a deposit, withdraw money, pay loan EMI and perform fund transfer without having to travel to branches, the bank said in a release.

"We believe that Money Mitra is in-line with our purpose of building banking behaviour specifically among our micro banking customers. Now, Ujjivan SFB customers can opt for banking facilities even if they go to buy daily essentials in their neighbourhood," the bank's managing director and CEO Nitin Chug said. (Read more)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Nepal, China

What: announced revised height of the World's Highest Peak Mt. Everest – 8848. 86 metres

When: published on 9th December 2020

Nepal and China on Tuesday jointly announced that the revised height of the world's highest peak Mount Everest was 8,848. 86 metres, about 86 centimetres more than the previous measurement done by India in 1954.

The Nepal government decided to measure the exact height of the mountain amid debates that there might have been a change in it due to various reasons, including the devastating earthquake of 2015.

The new height of Mt Everest, the world's highest peak, is 8,848. 86 metres, China and Nepal jointly announced on Tuesday, China's state-run Xinhua news agency said in a brief report.



Nepal recalculates the height of Mount Everest at 8848. 86 metres, the country's Foreign Minister Pradeep Gyawali announced in Kathmandu. (Read more)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: 16th Climate Change Performance Index 2021: Sweden

What: Ranked at 4th while India ranked at 10th Position

When: published on 7th December 2020

The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2021 paints a mixed picture of the European Union (EU) climate action. Scandinavian EU countries, Portugal and the EU as a whole rank high on the index with relatively good indicators. However, Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic stand out as laggards on climate progress within the bloc.

In the overall ranking, the EU has improved from the 22nd place last year to the 16th place this year, almost exclusively thanks to a much better rated climate policy.

The latest Climate Change Performance Index clearly shows that the EU stands at a crossroads.

The EU can become a role model in climate protection with green recovery measures after the coronavirus crisis, by setting an ambitious climate target for 2030 in line with the 1. 5°C-limit and a good implementation and further development of its Green Deal. But it can also stumble badly if it pursues greenwashing instead of green recovery and implements inadequate targets and instruments in the European Green Deal.

The G20 also presents a split picture. The United Kingdom (5th), India (10th) and the EU score high on the index. The vast majority of G20 countries, however, are trailing in the rankings. The USA (61st), Saudi Arabia (60th), Canada (58th), Australia (54th), South Korea (53rd) and Russia (52nd) are all rated "very low".

While a turning point in global emissions seems to be within reach, five years after the Paris Agreement no country is on a path compliant with the Paris Agreement goals. Overall, greenhouse gas emissions have increased slightly, but are actually falling in more than half of the countries (32) surveyed. In two-thirds of the countries (38) more than ten percent of the total primary energy required now comes from renewable sources and in twelve countries renewables account for more than 20 percent.

"It is now all the more crucial that worldwide economic recovery does not only support reviving economies, but is also preparing for a zero-carbon global economy at the same time. Whether the majority of recovery actions surveyed for the index are reducing or increasing greenhouse gas emissions is still unclear. But there is still room to shape the recovery packages and many good measures are under discussion," says Prof. Dr. Niklas Höhne of NewClimate Institute.



9. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: only high endemic country to report decline of 17. 6% in malaria cases in 2019: Govt

When: published on 2nd December 2020

India has made considerable progress in reducing its malaria burden and is the only high endemic country which has reported a decline of 17. 6% in cases during 2019, as compared to the previous year, the World Malaria Report 2020 by the World Health Organisation says.

India also accounted for the largest absolute decline in WHO's South-East Asia region, though it still accounted for 88% of malaria cases and 86% of related death in the region.

In India, between 2000 and 2019, malaria cases dropped by over 83% to around 3. 38 lakh, whereas deaths declined by 92%. (Read more)

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Mastercard, CII

What: come together to help over 3 lakh MSMEs digitise their businesses

When: published on 7th December 2020

More than 3 lakh micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in the country will be trained in the digital space by an industry initiative that looks to drive growth of small business on the back of digitalization.

Mastercard, the National Institute for Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (ni-msme) and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) have partnered to launch Digital Saksham, a capacity building initiative to drive awareness around digitization for MSMEs in the country.

Digital Saksham is an expansive program designed to strengthen the competitiveness of MSMEs through building their digital know-how and acceptance, CII said in a statement on Monday. (Read more)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: PwC India

What: Collaborated with UNICEF & YuWaah to Upskill 300 mn Indian youths over 10 yrs

When: published on 9th December 2020

PwC India has announced the launch of a strategic collaboration with UNICEF and YuWaah (Generation Unlimited in India) to help bridge the digital gap and help upskill 300 million young people



in India over the next 10 years and enable them to emerge as change-makers in society. Kiren Rijiju, Minister of State (IC), Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, and Usha Sharma, Secretary, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, were present during the launch. This announcement is part of PwC's global collaboration with UNICEF in support of Generation Unlimited; a multi-sector partnership aimed at helping 1. 8 billion young people transition from school to work by 2030.

At the global level, the collaboration is focused on upskilling millions of young people around the world, including youth who lack opportunities to participate in the digital world. The collaboration in India brings together PwC, UNICEF and YuWaah's complementary strengths and represents a significant milestone for PwC's global programme, New world. New skills, which is driven by the need for everyone to upskill so they can thrive in the digital world.

As per UNICEF data highlighted in a recent publication co-authored with PwC, "Stepping forward: Connecting today's youth to the digital future", of the 1. 2 billion young people in the world today, around 463 million were unable to access remote learning when schools closed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, one in six young people have stopped working since the beginning of the outbreak. Young people, especially young women and girls, who do not have reliable access to the internet, technology or devices, and those who lack digital skills and acumen have been hit particularly hard. (Read more)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Centre Smartkeeda

What: accords recognition to 2 new zoos in Bihar, Uttar Pradesh

When: published on 7th December 2020

The Central Zoo Authority (CZA) on Monday accorded recognition to two zoos in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, according to an official statement.

Rajgir Zoo Safari in Nalanda in Bihar and Shaheed Ashfaque Ullah Khan Prani Udyaan in Gorakhpur in Uttar Pradesh were granted recognition at the the 37th general body meeting of CZA chaired by Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar.

In the statement, the Ministry of Environment said that a 10-year Vision Plan has also been developed for the upgradation of 15 select zoos in the country to global standards which could bring in the corporate sector to invest in modernisation as part of this project.

The ministry said that early next year an investors" summit will also be organised to take this agenda forward.

Rajgir Zoo in the eastern state of Bihar is proposed to offer larger space for captive animals with five safari enclosures and a walk-in. (Read more)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: NTPC

What: signs MoU with IIFM for Narmada Landscape Restoration project

When: published on 8th December 2020

NTPC Ltd, the country's largest power generator, announced it has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM), Bhopal, to implement the Narmada Landscape Restoration Project.

The program is being implemented in partnership with a grant-in-aid from NTPC and United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in equal proportions.

The company said the four-year project will be implemented in Khargone District of Madhya Pradesh in the catchment of selected tributaries of River Narmada between Omkareshwar and Maheshwar dams.

"IIFM, Bhopal, an autonomous institute under the ministry of environment, forest and climate change (MoEF&CC), GoI with the grant-in-aid from NTPC, Ltd. will be jointly implementing this project with global green growth institute (GGGI), an intergovernmental organization," the company said.

IIFM Director Pankaj Srivastava said the consortium project will open new vistas that will manage our watersheds to maintain water quality and supplement Smart Cities by introducing a smarter way of purification of urban water supplies. (Read more)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: NBCFDC, NSFDC

What: sign MoA with Central Bank of India

When: published on 7th December 2020

A Memorandum of Agreements (MoA) has been signed by National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation (NBCFDC) and National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC) with leading PSB, Central Bank of India.

Implementation of Interest subvention Scheme of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India –Vanchit Ikai Samooh aur Vargon ki Aarthik Sahayta (VISVAS) Yojana for financial empowerment of economically marginalized OBC/SC SHGs & Individuals will get a major boost with the signing of this MoA.

The scheme will benefit OBC/SC SHGs with loans/borrowings up to Rs 4. 00 Lakh and OBC/SC individuals with loan/borrowing up to Rs 2. 00 Lakh with a quick interest subvention benefit of 5 per cent directly into the standard accounts of borrowing SHGs/beneficiaries.



The MOAs was signed by V K Mahendru, Field General Manager, on behalf of Central Bank of India & Anupama Sood, General Manager (Projects) on behalf of NBCFDC & Devanand, Chief General Manager on behalf of NSFDC in the presence of K Narayan, Managing Director NBCFDC /Chairman cum Managing Director NSFDC. The scheme is expected to benefit many entrepreneurs on a pan India

basis.

15. Hints to Remember

Who: IAF

What: signs MoU with CSIR-NML for material science and engineering

When: published on 7th December 2020

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-National Metallurgical Laboratory (CSIR-NML), Jamshedpur in the Indian state of Jharkhand has reportedly signed a memorandum of understanding

(MoU) with the Indian Air Force.

Media reports stated that the MoU outlines the research and development in the field of material

science and engineering.

In a statement, the organisation said: "Discussions were held on the areas of prime national interest in the field of materials, metals, corrosion science and other allied engineering domains with an aim to

decide on aspects of collaborations between IAF and CSIR-NML."

A delegation from the air force visited the CSIR-NML, Jamshedpur, during which it stressed the need to

improve the reliability and serviceability of the legacy assets. (Read more)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: SJVN

What: signs MoU with IREDA for green energy projects

When: published on 8th December 2020

State-owned, IREDA, on Monday said it has entered a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with

SJVN where it would provide services for green energy projects.

According to the MoU, it would undertake techno-financial due diligence of renewable energy, energy

efficiency, and conservation projects for SJVN.

Under the MoU, IREDA will also assist SJVN in developing an action plan to create and acquire

renewable energy projects for the next five years. (Read more)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: PM Modi

What: to inaugurate construction work of Agra metro project on Dec 7

When: published on 5th December 2020

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the construction of the Agra Metro Rail Project (AMRP) on December 7 at 11. 30 am through video conference.

Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and other dignitaries will also attend the event that will be held at 15 Battalion PAC parade ground in Agra.

A PMO release said that Agra Metro project comprises two corridors with a total length of 29. 4 km and connects major tourist attractions like Taj Mahal, Agra Fort, Sikandra with railway stations and bus stands.

Apart from benefiting 26 lakh residents of the city, the project will also cater to more than 60 lakh tourists who visit Agra every year. (Read more)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Mizoram

What: launches project to assist migrant workers find employment

When: published on 9th December 2020

The Mizoram government has launched a project to assist the migrant workers, who lost their jobs due to the Covid-19 pandemic, find suitable employment.

The Rs 3. 3 project under the Mizoram Youth Commission (MZC) christened as 'Livelihood Generation for Returned Migrant Workers' was launched by Chief Minister Zoramathnga on Tuesday.

The project funded by the North East Council will cover more than 2,600 people, who will be given skill-based training and entrepreneurship development training, to help them find suitable employment.

Speaking on the occasion, Zoramthanga said the global pandemic has affected the whole world and Mizoram is no exception.

He expressed regret for many state residents, who have returned to the state after losing their jobs due to the pandemic. (Read more)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Justice Rajesh Bindal



What: appointed Acting Chief Justice of Jammu & Kashmir High Court [Read Notification]

When: published on 8th December 2020

Justice Rajesh Bindal has been appointed as the Acting Chief Justice of the Jammu & Kashmir High Court, in view of the retirement of Chief Justice Gita Mittal today.

Justice Bindal has been appointed to the post in view of his being the senior-most judge of the Jammu & Kashmir High Court. The notification issued today states.

Justice Bindal, who was appointed as a judge of the Jammu & Kashmir High Court on November 19, 2018, is presently the Chairman of the High Court's Finance Committee, the Building and Infrastructure Committee, the Information Technology Committee, and the State Court Management Systems Committee. He is also the Chairman of J&K State Legal Service Authority.

He is also serving as Chairman of the Committee constituted for assessing optimal use of technology, including the use of Artificial Intelligence, by the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) and the State Legal Services Authorities. (Read more)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian Army

What: celebrated the 260th Corps Day of the Army Service Corps on Tuesday, 08 December 2020

When: published on 8th December 2020

Indian Army celebrated the 260th Corps Day of the Army Service Corps on Tuesday, 08 December 2020. The day was marked by Lt Gen MKS Yadav, Director General Supplies & Transport and Senior Colonel Commandant laying wreath at National War Memorial, Delhi along with similar events at various ASC establishments across the country.

To commemorate this occasion, a 260 kilometer Ultra Run, themed 'Run for Martyrs' was organised from War Memorial, Chandimandir to National War Memorial, Delhi from 04 to 08 December 2020. The thirteen member team led by Lt Col Inderjit Singh covered the distance in four days to promote the spirit of "Fit India Movement". The run which was flagged off by Lt Gen RP Singh, Army Commander Western Command paid homage to our fallen heroes at various War Memorials enroute at Ambala, Kunjpura and Motilal Nehru Sports School, Rai before they were flagging in by the Director General Supplies & Transport on 08 December 2020 at the National War Memorial. (Read more)





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