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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

## December GA Quiz 23

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

1. National Mathematics Day 2021 was observed on which date?

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

2. Which of the following states has recently launched “Chalo Mobile App” & “Smart Card” for Convenient Bus Travel?

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

3. Richard Rogers passed away recently. He was a renowned \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Architect                      B. Economist                      C. Singer  
D. Producer                      E. None of these

4. Which University has been chosen to join a research project backed by the Space Application Centre of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) under a NASA-ISRO collaborative programme?

- A. Maharashtra University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies  
B. Goa University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies  
C. Tamil Nadu University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies  
D. Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies  
E. None of these

5. Pakistan has conducted a successful test of an enhanced range version of the indigenously developed Babur cruise missile 1B. What is the strike range of that missile?

- A. More than 900 kilometres    B. 800 kilometres                      C. More than 500 kilometres  
D. 700 kilometres                      E. None of these



**6. The first set of indigenously developed next-generation Armoured Engineer Reconnaissance Vehicle was inducted into the Corps of Engineers of the Indian Army at a function attended by Chief of Army Staff General MM Naravane at Pune. The system has been designed by which organization?**

- A. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- B. Defence Research and Development Organisation
- C. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
- D. Bharat Dynamics Limited
- E. None of these

**7. India has successfully conducted the maiden flight test of the indigenously-developed, surface-to-surface missile off the Odisha coast. What is the name of that missile?**

- A. Ghatak
- B. Pralay
- C. Trasadi
- D. Bheesad
- E. None of these

**8. Which of the following universities has won the "Digital Innovation of the Year" award at the distinguished Times Higher Education (THE) Asia Awards 2021?**

- A. O.P. Jindal Global University
- B. Jaypee University of Information Technology
- C. Jaipur National University
- D. GD Goenka University
- E. None of these

**9. Which insurance company has won the 'Best Governed Company Listed Segment: Large Category' at the 21st ICSI National Awards for Excellence in Corporate Governance?**

- A. ICICI Prudential Life
- B. HDFC Life Insurance
- C. Max Life Insurance
- D. Exide Life Insurance
- E. None of these

**10. Axis Bank has recently announced the approval to reclassify which insurance company from promoter category to public category shareholder in the bank?**

- A. Oriental Insurance Company
- B. United India Insurance
- C. Life Insurance Corporation
- D. New India Assurance
- E. None of these

**11. Which country has recently committed \$100 Billion for Investment and Infrastructure creation in India?**

- A. Oman
- B. Yemen
- C. Saudi Arabia
- D. UAE
- E. None of these

**12. MSME lending fintech platform, U GRO Capital has recently announced that it has signed a co-lending agreement with which bank?**

- A. Union Bank of India
- B. Bank of Baroda
- C. Central Bank of India
- D. United Bank of India
- E. None of these

**13. Which company has launched India's first health locker integrated with Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) to provide users a digital and self-consented health data management system without any charges?**

- A. Docprime
- B. OyeHelp
- C. Hindustan Wellness
- D. MedSave Health
- E. None of these

**14. Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog has recently launched "Vernacular Innovation Program (VIP)" to Empower Innovators, Entrepreneurs in how many Mother Tongues?**

- A. 22
- B. 23
- C. 24
- D. 25
- E. None of these

**15. A multi-national and multi-agency military exercise, PANEX-21, was inaugurated in which city?**

- A. Kochi
- B. Pune
- C. Cuttack
- D. Mumbai
- E. None of these

16. With an aim to promote Indian culture, \_\_\_\_\_ and Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the period of three years.

- A. Prasar Bharati                      B. All India Radio                      C. Press Council of India  
D. Press Trust of India                      E. None of these

17. Who among the following has been appointed as the president of Indian Newspaper Society?

- A. Ritu Sankar                      B. Manish Agarwal                      C. Subhash Sharma  
D. Mohit Jain                      E. None of these

18. Who among the following has been appointed as the President of Cloud Computing Innovation Council of India (CCICI)?

- A. Sumit Sharma                      B. Piyush Somani                      C. Vipul Rajawat  
D. Ankit Verma                      E. None of these

19. The Government of India and Asian Development Bank (ADB) have recently signed a \$150 million loan to provide access to inclusive, resilient, and sustainable housing for the urban poor in the state of \_\_\_\_\_.

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

20. The government of India and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have inked a deal of a \_\_\_\_\_ policy-based loan to improve access to urban services in India by accelerating policy actions and reforms to enhance service delivery and promote performance-based central fiscal transfers to urban local bodies (ULBs).

- A. \$300 million                      B. \$350 million                      C. \$400 million  
D. \$450 million                      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:** National Mathematics Day 2021

**What:** was observed on 22<sup>nd</sup> December

National Mathematics Day 2021: India celebrates National Mathematics Day on December 22 every year. The day marks the birth anniversary of famous mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan. In 2012, then Prime Minister Manmohan Singh Declared the date as National Mathematics Day to honor the great man.

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

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Maharashtra

**What:** Launches Chalo Mobile App & Smart Card for Convenient Bus Travel

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

Bus travelling gets convenient in Mumbai! From ticket purchasing through e-wallet to live bus tracking, passengers can now enjoy smooth and convenient bus travel with Chalo smart cards and Chalo mobile application. On Tuesday, Tourism and Environment Minister of Maharashtra, Aaditya Thackeray launched Chalo mobile application as well as Chalo smart cards. This mobile app and smart card will facilitate digital, and advance purchase of BEST bus tickets. According to an IE report, Chalo mobile app will allow passengers to buy bus tickets and passes through e-wallet. Besides, the mobile application will provide live bus tracking, and also information on how crowded the vehicle is, along with the arrival time of the bus.

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

**3. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Pritzker Prize-Winning British-Italian Architect Richard Rogers

**What:** Passed Away

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Pritzker Prize-winning architect Richard Rogers, whose landmark buildings include the Centre Pompidou in Paris, the 3 World Trade Center tower in New York and London's Millennium Dome, has died aged 88. Rogers "passed away quietly" on Saturday evening, his representative Matthew Freud of Freud Communications confirmed to CNN on Sunday.

He was one of the most distinctive architects of his generation, with an architectural style that was both instantly recognizable and highly adaptable.

Rogers was born in Florence, Italy in 1933 to an Anglo-Italian family. The family moved to Britain in 1939. After attending the Architectural Association in London, Rogers studied in the United States at Yale University, where he befriended fellow British architect Norman Foster. In 1963, after graduating, the two men joined forces with Rogers' then-wife, Su Rogers, and Wendy Cheesman, who Foster would marry in 1964, to form the Team 4 architectural firm.

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** KUFOS

**What:** to Join Research Project under NASA-ISRO Collaborative Programme

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

The Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOS) has been chosen to join a research project backed by the Space Application Centre of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) under a NASA-ISRO collaborative programme.

NASA and ISRO are jointly developing a space-borne synthetic aperture radar (NISAR) to be launched in January 2023. NISAR will produce high resolution data for large areas with the capability for systematic observation of earth resources. It will provide time-series data for eco-systems applications benefiting several operational activities related to agriculture, forestry, wetlands, and soil moisture estimation, said a communication here.

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

#### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Pakistan

**What:** successfully test-fires enhanced range version Babur Cruise Missile 1B

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

Pakistan has conducted a successful test of an enhanced range version of the indigenously developed Babur cruise missile 1B, the military's media affairs wing said on Tuesday.

According to The Associated Press, the cruise missile has a range of more than 900 kilometres, twice the distance of an earlier missile of the same model.

In a statement, the Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) said that today's launch was witnessed by Strategic Plans Division Director General Lieutenant General Nadeem Zaki Manj, National Engineering and Scientific Commission Chairman Dr Raza Samar and Commander Army Strategic Force Command Lieutenant General Muhammad Ali.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Indian Army

**What:** inducts indigenously developed next-gen Armoured Engineer Reconnaissance Vehicles

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

The first set of indigenously developed next-generation Armoured Engineer Reconnaissance Vehicle was inducted into the Corps of Engineers of the Indian Army at a function attended by Chief of Army Staff General MM Naravane at Pune.

The system has been designed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and manufactured by Ordnance Factory Medak and Bharat Electronics Limited, Pune. Despite the various restrictions imposed in view of Covid-19 pandemic over the past one year, supply of vehicles to the Indian Army has been on schedule.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** successfully tests 'Pralay' missile off Odisha coast

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

India has been successfully conducted the maiden flight test of the indigenously-developed, surface-to-surface missile 'Pralay' off the Odisha coast, the DRDO said.

The solid-fuel, battlefield missile developed by the Defence Research Development Organisation is based on Prithvi Defence Vehicle from the Indian ballistic missile programme.

The missile, launched from the APJ Abdul Kalam Island around 10.30 AM, met all the mission objectives, the DRDO said in a statement.

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



## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** JGU

**What:** wins "Digital Innovation of the Year" at the Times Higher Education Asia Awards 2021

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

O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU) has won the "Digital Innovation of the Year" award at the distinguished Times Higher Education (THE) Asia Awards 2021.

JGU was the Only Indian University to be Shortlisted for the "Digital Innovation of the Year"

JGU's win at the THE Awards is a recognition of JGU's successful digital transformation and impact over the last two years. This award is also a reflection of JGU's commitment to ensure continued education for its students during the ongoing pandemic. In March 2020 we were faced with one of the most unprecedented crises of our time.

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

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** HDFC Life

**What:** wins the 'Best Governed Company Listed Segment: Large Category' at the 21st ICSI National Awards for Excellence in Corporate Governance

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

HDFC Life, one of India's leading life insurance companies, has been adjudged the 'Best Governed Company Listed Segment: Large Category' at the 21st edition of the ICSI National Awards for Excellence in Corporate Governance.

The award was presented by Hon'ble Union Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, who graced the occasion with his presence.

The eminent Jury was headed by the Hon'ble Shri Justice P. Sathasivam, Former Chief Justice of India, who evaluated numerous companies to choose the best governed company in Large, Medium & Emerging categories in both listed and unlisted segments.

Vibha Padalkar, Managing Director & CEO, HDFC Life said, "I would like to thank ICSI and the Jury for this prestigious award. We at HDFC Life are committed to living the highest standards of Corporate Governance. We believe that a strong focus on Environmental, Social & Governance create long-term value for all stakeholders. Excellence is a journey. This recognition spurs us on to stay committed to our goal of protecting India with pride and be the obvious choice for all."

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Oriental Insurance

**What:** Co categorised as public shareholder in Axis Bank

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

Axis Bank said The Oriental Insurance Company has been categorised to public category from promoter category shareholder in the bank.

In October, applications were made to BSE and NSE for reclassification of The New Oriental Insurance Co to public category from promoter category.

"In this regard...BSE and NSE vide their respective letters dated December 20, 2021, have granted their approval for the reclassification of the aforementioned promoter to public category from promoter category," Axis Bank said in a regulatory filing.

As per the shareholding pattern, The Oriental Insurance Co Ltd held 0.17 per cent stake in Axis Bank as on September 30, 2021.

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** UAE

**What:** commits \$100b for investment and infrastructure creation in India

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

India's Minister for Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal, discussed the opportunities with industry leaders to expand their global footprint by leveraging business platforms and infrastructure offered by the UAE.

Dubai's DP World presented the market expansion opportunities it offers to Indian businesses and exporters, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said in a press release.

The firm is setting up India Mart Traders Market, a dedicated market for Indian businesses which would enable traders and manufacturers to trade with the UAE local market and regional market. The potential offered by Dubai's Jebel Ali Free Zone (Jafza), one of the world's leading free trade zones, was also presented to the Indian industry, according to the release.

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



## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Central Bank of India

**What:** signs co-lending deal with fintech platform U GRO Capital

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

MSME lending fintech platform, U GRO Capital has recently announced that it has signed a co-lending agreement with Central Bank of India. Under this partnership, the two entities aim to disburse up to ₹1000 crore to U GRO Capital's varied MSME segments under its programmes like Pratham, Sanjeevani, Saathi, GRO MSME and Machinery financing, in the next 12 months.

Under this partnership, the two entities aim to disburse upto Rs. 1000 crores to U GRO Capital's varied MSME segments under its programs like Pratham, Sanjeevani, Saathi, GRO MSME and Machinery financing, in next 12 months, the company said in a press release.

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

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Docprime

**What:** launches India's first ABDM integrated Health Locker – ET HealthWorld

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

PB Fintech's Docprime technologies has launched India's first health locker integrated with Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) to provide users a digital and self-consented health data management system without any charges. The health locker enables users to create digital Health IDs for themselves and their family members.

Docprime Health Locker received the ABDM Sandbox approval August helps users to activate their ABDM integrated Health Locker where they can securely upload, store and manage all their health records electronically as well as share them with their doctors. The users can also fetch and store their CoWin vaccination certificates through the given health locker.

Speaking on the digital revolutionization of healthcare in India, Yashish Dahiya, Chairman and CEO, PB Fintech said "We feel that similar to how UPI and Aadhaar revolutionized payments and fintech in India, the creation of this robust public digital infrastructure by ABDM will fundamentally transform how healthcare is delivered in India. Over the last several months, the team has worked closely with ABDM to create this solution, and we are very excited for this new era of the digital revolution in Indian healthcare"

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

#### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog

**What:** launches Vernacular Innovation Program (VIP) to Empower Innovators, Entrepreneurs in 22 Mother Tongues

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

With an ambition to empower innovators and entrepreneurs across the country, Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog has come up with a first of its kind Vernacular Innovation Program (VIP), which will enable innovators and entrepreneurs in India to have access to the innovation ecosystem in 22 scheduled languages by the Government of India.

To build the necessary capacity for the VIP, AIM has identified and will be training a Vernacular Task Force (VTF) in each of the 22 scheduled languages. Each task force comprises of vernacular language teachers, subject experts, technical writers, and the leadership of regional Atal Incubation Centers (AICs).

To get the program rolling, AIM NITI Aayog is launching a train-the-trainer program where it will collaborate with the Design Department of IIT Delhi to coach the VTF in design thinking and entrepreneurship and the adaptation of these subjects in the 22 languages and cultures. Furthermore, industry mentors have joined hands to lend design thinking expertise, and CSR sponsors have agreed to generously support the program. Upon training the task force over the period of December 2021 to April 2022, the ecosystem will be opened to vernacular innovators.

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Multi-national disaster management exercise PANEX-21

**What:** inaugurated in Pune

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

A multi-national and multi-agency military exercise, PANEX-21, was inaugurated on Monday. The two-day exercise, aiming to develop capabilities in disaster management aspects for the BIMSTEC nations is being held between December 20-22 in the city. The exercise is being attended by delegates and subject matter experts from India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar, Sri Lanka and Thailand. They will brainstorm various aspects related to conducting effective humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations during a natural disaster in the background of a pandemic.

The structure of PANEX-21 as a multi-agency exercise, including representation of experts from the armed forces, National Disaster Relief Force and other stakeholders, will be aimed at battling the challenges of disaster management in the backdrop of a pandemic.

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

## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Prasar Bharati

**What:** signs MoU with ICCR to promote Indian Culture

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

With an aim to promote Indian culture, Prasar Bharati and Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for the period of three years. The MoU aims to bring forth the best of Indian Culture to the National and International audiences and provide TV and Digital platforms to the performing artists.

The performances of the eminent artists associated with the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) will be telecast on the national and International Channels of Doordarshan. The dance and music performances will be showcased on DD National, DD India, regional channels of Doordarshan and Prasar Bharati News Services (Digital Platform of Prasar Bharati) in the form of a weekly programme.

In collaboration with ICCR, Doordarshan will produce 52 half an hour episodes, based on cultural events, concerts, performances of music and dance organised by the ICCR.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mohit Jain

**What:** elected president of Indian Newspaper Society

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Indian Newspaper Society has elected Mohit Jain of the Economic Times as its president for 2021-22.

Jain, who was elected on Friday, succeeds L Adimoolam of the Health & The Antiseptic.

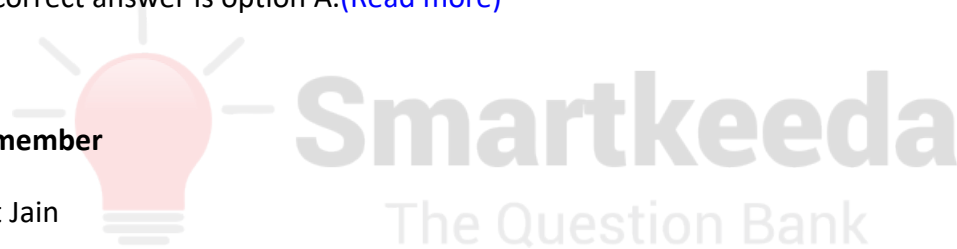
K Raja Prasad Reddy of the publication 'Sakshi' was elected the deputy president, Rakesh Sharma of 'Aaj Samaj' was chosen as the vice-president and Tanmay Maheshwari of 'Amar Ujala' was elected the honorary treasurer of the society for 2021-22, the INS said in a statement.

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

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Piyush Somani

**What:** named CCICI President



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

The Cloud Computing Innovation Council of India (CCICI) appointed Piyush Somani, Chairman and Managing Director of ESDS Software Solution, as its President.

He succeeds Pamela Kumar as the President of CCICI, an independent, not-for-profit body of professionals from industry, academia and government in the cloud computing space.

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

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India and ADB

**What:** sign \$150M loan to provide affordable housing for urban poor in Tamil Nadu

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

The Government of India and Asian Development Bank (ADB) on December 07, 2021 signed a \$150 million loan to provide access to inclusive, resilient, and sustainable housing for the urban poor in the state of Tamil Nadu.

The signatories to the loan agreement for Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable Housing for Urban Poor Sector Project in Tamil Nadu were Rajat Kumar Mishra, Additional Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs in the Ministry of Finance who signed for the Government of India, and Takeo Konishi, Country Director of ADB's India Resident Mission, who signed for ADB.

After signing the loan agreement, Mishra said that the project is aligned with the Government of India's development priorities and policies on urban sector development, particularly the flagship program PMAY-Housing for All (Urban), and will address housing shortage among poor urban dwellers in Tamil Nadu with provision of housing to eligible families.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** signs a \$350M loan deal with ADB for sustainable urban services in the country

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

The Finance Ministry announced that the government and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) have inked a deal of a \$350 million policy-based loan to improve access to urban services in India by accelerating policy actions and reforms to enhance service delivery and promote performance-based central fiscal transfers to urban local bodies (ULBs).



Rajat Kumar Mishra, Additional Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs said that the program is aligned with the Government of India's national flagship programs that promote cities as engines of economic growth by improving the quality of urban life through the creation of high-quality urban infrastructure, assured service provisions, and efficient governance.

Meanwhile, Takeo Konishi, Country Director of ADB said, "The program builds upon ADB's long engagement with India in the urban sector with continued support to the central and state governments to undertake reforms to ensure universal and improved access to basic urban services such as water supply, sanitation, and affordable rental housing, especially for the poor most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic."

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





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