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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 5

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

1. India beat which country by 1-0 to enter semi-finals of Junior Hockey World Cup?

- A. Sweden B. Belgium C. Canada
D. Germany E. None of these

2. Bangladesh and which country kicked off bilateral maritime exercise "CARAT" for a free and open Indo-Pacific?

- A. Canada B. Germany C. Russia
D. Malaysia E. None of these

3. Who among the following was recently honoured with 'The IMPACT Person of the Year, 2020 Award' by the exchange4media Group?

- A. Sanjiv Puri B. Nakul Anand C. Yogesh Chander Deveshwar
D. Sanjiv Mehta E. None of these

4. Who among the following is going to take on new role at IMF as First Deputy Managing Director?

- A. Gita Gopinath B. Nirmala Sitharaman C. Anshula Kant
D. Arundhati Bhattacharya E. None of these

5. DBS has recently revised India's FY23 growth forecast upwards to _____ year-on-year (y-o-y) (CY2022 6.5 per cent) from 6 per cent earlier.

- A. 7 per cent B. 8 per cent C. 9 per cent
D. 10 per cent E. None of these

6. Which organisation has signed a pact with the Government of India to provide a loan of USD 250 million (about Rs 1,872 crore) to support the country's National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP)?

- A. World Bank B. Asian Development Bank C. International Monetary Fund
D. World Trade Organization E. None of these

7. 2-day Regional Conference on 'Replication of Good Governance Practices' held in which city?

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

8. Which of the following states has recently launched a web portal named 'Hamar Apan Budget' and a mobile application (app) prepared by the state finance Department?

- A. Chhattisgarh B. Jharkhand C. Odisha
D. Bihar E. None of these

9. International Day of Persons With Disabilities 2021 was recently observed on which date?

- A. December 1 B. December 2 C. December 3
D. December 4 E. None of these

10. Which state government has recently appointed Salman Khan as Covid vaccination ambassador?

- A. Gujarat B. Madhya Pradesh C. Rajasthan
D. Kerala E. None of these

11. Who among the following has been appointed as the chairman of National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL)?

- A. Kuldeep Sharma B. Pradip Shah C. Mukul Verma
D. Sandeep Reddy E. None of these

12. Who among the following has been appointed as the Chief Executive Office of India Debt Resolution Company (IDRCL)?

- A. Sanjay Jain B. Vishnu Chauhan C. Amit Mishra
D. Nishant Yadav E. None of these

13. Which of the following states is going to confer the state's highest civilian awards to industrialist Ratan Naval Tata, Olympian Lovlina Borgohain and an array of personalities from diverse fields?

- A. West Bengal B. Sikkim C. Arunachal Pradesh
D. Assam E. None of these

14. Nizamuddin Revival Project has recently won 2 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation 2021. This project is in _____.

- A. Jammu and Kashmir B. Maharashtra C. Delhi
D. Gujarat E. None of these

15. Which mutual fund company has recently launched India's First Nifty Alpha 50 ETF?

- A. ICICI Mutual Fund B. Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund
C. HDFC Mutual Fund D. IDFC First Mutual Fund E. None of these

16. Which company and CSC e-Governance Services India Limited have signed an MOU to leverage each other's strength for increasing broadband penetration in rural and semi-urban areas for bridging the digital divide?

- A. Rail Vikas Nigam B. RailTel C. IRCTC
D. Bharti Airtel E. None of these

17. Which organisation has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) for development of renewable energy-based power and other Environment, Social, and Governance (ESG) projects?

- A. Indian Oil Corporation
B. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
C. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation
D. Power Grid Corporation of India
E. None of these

18. Which organisation has recently received a grant of around Rs 15 crore (USD 2 million) from the Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction (JFPR)?

- A. Asian Development Bank
- B. World Bank
- C. International Monetary Fund
- D. BRICS Bank
- E. None of these

19. Which company has recently announced its partnership with Mswipe to offer fully digital 'cardless EMI' at leading retail stores?

- A. CI Capital
- B. Recapita Finance
- C. Aavas Financiers
- D. KreditBee
- E. None of these

20. Which company has recently launched a portfolio management services (PMS) marketplace for its high net-worth individuals (HNI) investors?

- A. Paytm Money
- B. 5paisa
- C. Sharekhan
- D. Edelweiss Broking
- 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	A	A	A	B	B	B	C	E	B	A	D	C	B	B	C	A	D	A

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: beat Belgium by 1-0 to enter semi-finals in Junior Hockey World Cup

When: published on 1st December 2021

India followed the 'team first' mantra in letter and spirit to beat a formidable Belgium 1-0 and enter the semifinals of the men's hockey Junior World Cup at the Kalinga Stadium.

The Indian defence, which had let the team down against France, held tight to play a significant role in the quarterfinal victory. The midfield, led by 'Player of the match' Vishnukant Singh, and forward line complemented well to complete a fine performance.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Bangladesh and USA

What: kick off bilateral maritime exercise CARAT for a free and open Indo-Pacific

When: published on 1st December 2021

Bangladesh Navy (BN) and the US military personnel kicked off the annual Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) maritime exercise on Wednesday. The exercise will be carried out virtually and in the Bay of Bengal, said the Commander of the US 7th Fleet.

The nine-day engagement focuses on a full spectrum of naval capabilities and features Cooperative activities that highlight the ability of US and Bangladesh to work together toward the common goal of ensuring a free and open Indo-pacific.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Sanjiv Puri

What: wins 'The IMPACT Person of the Year, 2020 Award'

When: published on 2nd December 2021

Mr Sanjiv Puri, Chairman & MD, ITC Limited was honoured with 'The IMPACT Person of the Year, 2020 Award' by the exchange4media Group. The award was presented to him by Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Minister for Women & Child Development, GOI, at a ceremony in New Delhi on December 2, 2021. This coveted title has been awarded to the best names from the Indian industry, to distinguished persons whose actions have far reaching impact in the foreseeable future. Mr Puri was recognised "for his visionary leadership in transforming the stable and strong conglomerate into a contemporary, agile, innovative, digitally focused future-ready enterprise."

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Gita Gopinath

What: is to take on new role at IMF as First Deputy Managing Director

When: published on 4th December 2021

Gita Gopinath, the India-born, first female chief economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), is set to take over from Geoffrey Okamoto as the multilateral institution's number 2 official in early 2022. The elevation to the post of first deputy managing director (FDMD) came just months after Gopinath had said she intended to re-join Harvard University in January 2022 to retain her tenured faculty post after completing three years at the IMF.

In a statement late on Thursday, the IMF said "some realignment in the roles and responsibilities of the fund's senior management team is being undertaken". Okamoto plans to return to the private sector.

IMF managing director Kristalina Georgieva said, "... I believe that Gita-universally recognized as one of the world's leading macroeconomists-has precisely the expertise that we need for the FDMD role at this point."

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



5. Hints to Remember

Who: DBS

What: revises India's FY2023 growth forecast by 100 bps to 7%

When: published on 2nd December 2021

DBS has revised India's FY23 growth forecast upwards to 7 per cent year-on-year (y-o-y) (CY2022 6.5 per cent) from 6 per cent earlier.

The Singapore-based Bank's economic research team observed that the 7 per cent y-o-y growth rate in FY23 will be amongst the fastest in its Asia-10 universe.

The MNC bank maintained India's full-year FY22 forecast at 9.5 per cent y-o-y. It noted that with a receding Covid case count, India's recovery is turning more broad-based.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB

What: signs pact for USD 250 mn loan for National Industrial Corridor Development Program

When: published on 1st December 2021

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has signed a pact with the Government of India to provide a loan of USD 250 million (about Rs 1,872 crore) to support the country's National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP). Rajat Kumar Mishra, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Finance signed for the Government of India the agreement for first of the two sub-programs, each of USD 250 million, of the Industrial Corridor Development Program, while Takeo Konishi, Country Director of ADB's India Resident Mission, signed for ADB, the Manila-headquartered multilateral agency said in a statement.

Mishra stated that the ADB financing supports India's NICDP that aims to develop world-class industrial nodes that are buttressed by efficient urban agglomerations and multimodal connectivity, including international gateways like ports and airports and inclusive, climate-resilient, and sustainable infrastructure.

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



7. Hints to Remember

Who: 2-day regional conference on 'Replication of Good Governance Practices'

What: is to be held in Bhubaneswar

When: published on 3rd December 2021

The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) in collaboration with the Government of Odisha is organizing a Regional Conference on the theme: "Replication of Good Governance Practices," on December 03-04, 2021 at Bhubaneswar in a semi virtual mode.

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik and Union Minister of Education Dharmendra Pradhan and Union Minister of State Dr Jitendra Singh will address the valedictory session during the two-day event.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Jharkhand CM Hemant Soren

What: launches mobile app for budget suggestion

When: published on 2nd December 2021

Chief Minister Hemant Soren today launched "Hamar Apan Budget" and a mobile application prepared by the state finance Department from the Chief Minister's residential office in Ranchi on Thursday. Through this portal, the general public of the state will be able to share their valuable suggestions for the 2022-23 budget.

One can use the link <https://finance.jharkhand.gov.in/budgetvichar> to register oneself on 'Hamar Apan Budget Portal'. For that one has to enter the mobile number and e-mail (optional) in the space provided on the home page and click to generate OTP. OTP can be ordered by e-mail or mobile at any time as per convenience. After successful authentication of the OTP, one can record the suggestion by selecting the concerned department/region.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: International Day of Persons With Disabilities 2021

What: was observed on December 3

International Day of Persons with Disabilities falls on the 3rd of December each year to promote awareness about disability, and help create real opportunities for people with disabilities.

This day was first proclaimed in 1992 by the United Nations General Assembly resolution 47/3.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Maharashtra government

What: appointed Salman Khan as Covid vaccination ambassador

When: published on 17th November 2021

Maharashtra Public Health Minister Rajesh Tope has said there was hesitancy about taking anti-coronavirus vaccines in Muslim-dominated areas, and the government will take the help of Bollywood superstar Salman Khan to convince people to take the jab.

Maharashtra is leading in terms of the number of vaccine shots administered, but in some areas the pace of vaccination is low, Tope said, speaking to reporters here on Monday. "There is still some hesitancy in Muslim-dominated areas. We have decided to use Salman Khan and religious leaders to convince the Muslim community to take the vaccine," he said. "Religious leaders and film actors wield great influence and people listen to them," he added.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Pradip Shah

What: appointed NARCL Chairman

When: published on 3rd December 2021

Pradip Shah, founder of IndAsia Fund Advisors, has been appointed chairman of National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL) while Aditya Birla Asset Reconstruction Company managing director Sanjay Jain will be the chief executive of India Debt Resolution Company (IDRCL), the privately owned asset management company (AMC) mandated to resolve bad loans acquired by NARCL, said people with knowledge of the matter.

Also, Diwakar Gupta, former managing director of State Bank of India, is selected as chairman of IDRCL, the people said.

In May, Padmakumar Nair, chief general manager of SBI, was appointed as the MD of NARCL.

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



12. Hints to Remember

Who: Sanjay Jain

What: appointed as the Chief Executive Office of India Debt Resolution Company (IDRCL)

When: published on 3rd December 2021

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Also, Diwakar Gupta, former managing director of State Bank of India, is selected as chairman of IDRCL, the people said.

In May, Padmakumar Nair, chief general manager of SBI, was appointed as the MD of NARCL.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: Assam

What: is going to confer state's top civilian award to Ratan Tata, Olympian Lovlina Borgohain

When: published on 4th December 2021

Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma on Saturday announced names of 19 personalities for 3 newly instituted awards Asom Baibhav, Asom Sourav and Asom Gourav. The chief minister said the awards will be given to honour their exemplary services towards society. According to the chief minister, industrialist and philanthropist Ratan Tata has been accorded Asom Baibhav, and Olympic medalist Lovlina Borgohain will get Asom Sourav award.

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Delhi's Nizamuddin Revival Project

What: won 2 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation 2021

When: published on 3rd December 2021

In double joy for India, a project on holistic urban revitalisation of the historic Nizamuddin Basti community in Delhi, has brought laurels for the country in two categories in this year's UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation.

The project has won the prestigious Award of Excellence, and another award in the Special Recognition for Sustainable Development category, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) said.

Nine projects from six countries Bangladesh, China, India, Japan, Malaysia, and Thailand have been honoured by a jury of heritage experts. Jurors met online in November to review a total of 39 entries from 12 countries across the Asia-Pacific, UNESCO Bangkok said in a statement issued.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund

What: launches India's first Nifty Alpha 50 ETF

When: published on 3rd December 2021

Kotak Mahindra Mutual Fund has launched India's first ever Nifty Alpha 50 ETF called the Kotak Nifty Alpha 50 ETF. It is an open-ended scheme that will track Nifty Alpha 50 index and gives investors an opportunity to invest in a well-diversified portfolio of stocks with high Alphas. The NFO is open for subscription till December 15.

According to the fund house, this ETF can also be used as a tool to balance investors' active portfolios.

Kotak's Nifty Alpha 50 ETF will track the performance of 50 stocks listed with NSE with high Alpha in the last one year. As per the criteria, these companies are selected from top 300 companies by average free-float market capitalization and average daily turnover for the last six months.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: RailTel and CSC

What: partner to increase broadband penetration in rural and semi-urban areas

When: published on 3rd December 2021

RailTel and CSC e-Governance Services India Limited signed an MOU to leverage each other's strength for increasing broadband penetration in rural and semi-urban areas for bridging the digital divide, the rail PSU said.

While RailTel is one of the largest neutral telecom service and ICT solutions providers having pan India presence, e-Governance Services India Limited is enabling rural population with a host of e-governance services for digital inclusion.

The CSC e-Governance Services India Limited is a special purpose vehicle under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: ONGC

What: inks MoU with SECI to develop renewable, ESG projects

When: published on 3rd December 2021

To achieve its green energy objectives, ONGC has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) for development of renewable energy-based power and other Environment, Social, and Governance (ESG) projects. The MoU was signed by ONGC CMD Subhash Kumar and SECI MD Suman Sharma on behalf of the two national energy companies on 2 December 2021 in New Delhi. The event was also graced by the presence of Director (Exploration) RK Srivastava, Director (T&FS) OP Singh, Director (Onshore) Anurag Sharma, Executives of SECI and senior ONGC officials.

The MoU provides a broad, overarching framework for ONGC and SECI to collaborate and cooperate for undertaking renewable energy projects including solar, wind, EV value chain, green hydrogen, storage, etc. The partnership will enable the Exploration and Production (E&P) major to strengthen its footprint in renewables, especially solar.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: ADB

What: gets Rs 15 cr-grant from JFPR for urban primary healthcare usage across India

When: published on 3rd December 2021

Asian Development Bank (ADB) has received a grant of nearly Rs 15 crore from Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction (JFPR), which will be utilised to enhance urban primary healthcare usage across India.

The Japan Fund for Poverty Reduction (JFPR) has approved a USD 2 million (nearly Rs 15 crore) technical assistance (TA) grant to provide key technical support to an ADB-financed programme.

It aims to strengthen the comprehensive primary health care (CPHC) system in urban areas across India, ADB said in a release.

The grant is aligned with the ADB-supported USD 300 million (Rs 2,249 crore) CPHC under the Pradhan Mantri Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat Yojana (PM-ASBY), which is recently renamed to Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission (PM-ABHIM).

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: KreditBee

What: partners with Mswipe to offer 'cardless EMI' at retail stores

When: published on 2nd December 2021

Fintech lending platform KreditBee on Thursday announced its partnership with Mswipe to offer fully digital 'cardless EMI' at leading retail stores. Through this partnership, KreditBee aims to expand its offline presence and enable purchases of more than ₹5 crore per month.

Under 'cardless EMI', KreditBee will provide 'pay later' options for purchases of up to ₹100,000, which can be converted into EMI ranging from 3 to 12 months. Customers can shop at over two lakh merchant stores associated with Mswipe. Additionally, KreditBee aims to partner with over five lakh retail stores across India by the end of financial year 2022.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Paytm Money

What: launches portfolio management services marketplace for HNI investors

When: published on 3rd December 2021

Paytm's wholly-owned subsidiary Paytm Money has launched a portfolio management services (PMS) marketplace for its high net-worth individuals (HNI) investors. The marketplace has been launched along with PMS Bazaar, which is a PMS advisory start-up.

PMS is an investment service that is offered to HNIs. SEBI has mandated a minimum investment of Rs 50 lakh for PMS. Paytm stated that since the investment sum is huge, investors like to assess their options in detail but it is a time-consuming activity to assess the host of schemes offered by different management companies. Moreover, not all details are publicly available, making a comparison difficult.

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



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