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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

#### **February GA Quiz 10**

Direction: Read the following questions carefully and choose the right answer.

- 1. Which pharma company in collaboration with Canadian pharmaceutical company SaNOtize, has recently announced the launch of a nitric oxide nasal spray called 'FabiSpray' in India?
  - A. Glenmark Pharmaceuticals
  - B. Cadila Healthcare
  - C. Lupin Limited
  - D. Aurobindo Pharma
  - E. None of these
- 2. USA has recently approved a 100-million-dollar support contract with \_\_\_\_\_ aimed at boosting the island's Patriot Air Defense System.

A. Hing Kong

B. Taiwan

C. Philippines

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D. Lithuania

E. None of these

- 3. Which one of the following is 1st Indian documentary that has been nominated for Academy Awards?
  - A. Writing with Fire
  - B. A Night of Knowing Nothing
  - C. Supermen of Malegaon
  - D. A Suitable Girl
  - E. None of these
- 4. Who among the following has recently participated in the fourth Quad foreign ministers' meeting in Australia's Melbourne?

A. Nirmala Sitharaman

B. Harsh Vardhan Shringla

C. S Jaishankar

D. Piyush Goyal

E. None of these

5.	Who among the following has recently inaugurated a viewing deck named "Mata Ramabai Ambedkar Smruti viewing deck" near Chaityabhoomi in Mumbai's Dadar?											
	A. Sanjay Raut D. Narayan Rane	B. Aaditya Thackeray E. None of these	C. Sharad Pawar									
6.			pps, a leading dairy-tech startup, as its t small dairies across India?									
	A. DBS Bank D. HDFC Bank	B. Citibank E. None of these	C. OCBC Bank									
7.	President of Tibetan government-in-exile Penpa Tsering has recently inaugurated a new Tibet Museum in which city of Himachal Pradesh?											
	A. Dalhousie D. Manali	B. Shimla E. None of these	C. Dharamshala									
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8.			announced its partnership with NSE motes financial literacy as a necessary									
	Academy to launch five online courses that promotes financial literacy as a nece life skill? customers and keeping them internet insured?  A Bank of India											
	A. Bank of India D. United Bank of India	B. Punjab National Bank E. None of these	C. State Bank of India									
9.	"Kanchoth Festival" was recently celebrated in which state or UT?											
A. Assam D. Jammu and Kashmir		B. Himachal Pradesh E. None of these	C. Andhra Pradesh									
10.	Name the person who was popular for essaying the role of "Bheem" in BR Chopra's "Mahabharat", has passed away recently.											
	A. Pankaj Dheer D. Nitish Bharadwaj	B. Praveen Kumar Sobti E. None of these	C. Gajendra Chauhan									

11.	'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)' has recently been extended till March 2026 with an allocation of what amount?										
	A. Rs 4,100 crore D. Rs 4,900 crore	B. Rs 4,300 crore E. None of these	C. Rs 4,600 crore								
12.		signed a memorandu support the growth of w	omen entrepreneurs.								
	A. Kerala State Rural Liveliho B. Tamil Nadu State Rural Liv C. Maharashtra State Rural I D. Karnataka State Rural Live E. None of these	velihood Promotion Society Livelihood Promotion Society									
13.	. Which company has recently partnered with Microsoft in its launch of 'Microsoft Cloud for Retail', further strengthening its offerings to the retail industry?										
	A. Sonata Software D. Zensar Technologies	B. Tech Mahindra E. None of these	C. KPIT Technologies								
14.	Who among the following MediBuddy?	owing has recently be	en named as brand ambassador of								
	A. Akshay Kumar D. Hrithik Roshan	B. Amitabh Bachchan E. None of these	C. Shah Rukh Khan								
15.		companies has recently a ne resignation of RA Shah	appointed Pradip Shah as the chairmann?								
	A. Pfizer Inc D. Zenitiva Inc	B. Gracure Pharma E. None of these	C. Robert Pharma								
16.	Which state government has signed an MoU with Social Alpha, a joint initiative of Tata Trust and the Indian government, through its Clean Energy International Incubation Centre (CEIIC)?										
	A. Gujarat D. Kerala	B. Jharkhand E. None of these	C. Rajasthan								

17.	India has received Foreithe last five years, as pe	•	FDI) inflows worth in
	A. USD 439.55 billion D. USD 339.55 billion	B. USD 539.55 billion E. None of these	C. USD 639.55 billion
18.			signed a pact to build 10,000 MW solar 000 crore in which state?
	A. Gujarat D. Rajasthan	B. Punjab E. None of these	C. Haryana
19.	World Pulses Day 2022	was observed on which	date?
	A. Feb-09 D. Feb-07	B. Feb-10 E. None of these	C. Feb-08
20.	The Reserve Bank of increased NACH manda		Policy Committee (MPC) has recently crore to
	A. Rs 2 crore D. Rs 4 crore	B. Rs 3 crore E. None of these	C. Rs 5 crore



#### **CORRECT ANSWER:**

1.	В	2.	В	3.	Α	4.	С	5.	В	6.	Α	7.	С	8.	С	9.	D	10.	В
11.	С	12.	D	13.	Α	14.	В	15.	Α	16.	D	17.	D	18.	D	19.	В	20.	В





#### **Explanations:**

#### 1. Hints to Remember

Who: Glenmark Pharma

What: launches nasal spray for Covid-19 treatment of high-risk adult patients in India

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Ltd, in collaboration with Canadian pharmaceutical company SaNOtize, announced the launch of a nitric oxide nasal spray called 'FabiSpray' in India.

FabiSpray has been developed for the treatment of adult patients of Covid-19 who have a high risk of progression of the disease. This includes non-vaccinated patients, patients in the middle and older age group and patients with co-morbidities.

The company had earlier received manufacturing and marketing approval for FabiSpray from the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) as part of the accelerated approval process.

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

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: Taiwan

What: welcomes second US arms sale worth \$100 mn under Biden

When: published on 8th February 2022

Taiwan thanked the United States Tuesday for selling up to \$100 million worth of equipment and services to support its air and missile defence systems, as China ramps up incursions of warplanes into the island's air defence zone.

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Self-ruled democratic Taiwan lives under constant threat of invasion by authoritarian China, which views the island as part of their territory to be seized one day -- by force if necessary.

Beijing has significantly increased incursions into Taiwan's air defence identification zone in recent months, with the final quarter of 2021 seeing a massive spike of incursions.



Who: India's 'Writing With Fire'

What: nominated for Best Documentary Feature at Oscars

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Indian documentary "Writing With Fire" has been nominated in the Best Documentary Feature category at the 94th edition of the Academy Awards.

The nominations were announced by Tracee Ellis Ross and Leslie Jordan on Tuesday evening via the Twitter page of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Directed by Rintu Thomas and Sushmit Ghosh, both debutantes, "Writing With Fire" chronicles the rise of Khabar Lahariya, India's only newspaper run by Dalit women.

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

Who: Jaishankar

What: to participate in the 4th Quad Foreign Ministers' Meeting

When: published on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

External affairs minister (EAM) S Jaishankar will take part in the fourth Quad foreign ministers' meeting in Australia's Melbourne on Friday along with his counterparts from Japan, Australia and the United States. He had left for Australia on a three-day visit from Thursday (February 10) till Sunday (February 13).

According to a statement issued by the ministry of external affairs (MEA) on Wednesday, this will be Jaishankar's first visit to Australia as the EAM. It is also the first-high level visit to Australia from India after the borders were opened amid an improvement in the Covid-19 pandemic situation.



Who: Maharashtra Minister Aaditya Thackeray

What: inaugurates viewing deck at Dadar

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Maharashtra Minister Aaditya Thackeray inaugurated a viewing deck named "Mata Ramabai Ambedkar Smruti viewing deck" near Chaityabhoomi in Mumbai's Dadar.

"Inaugurated this deck in Dadar. It was a storm water outfall, now converted to a beautiful viewing deck by Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) as we focus on increasing urban open spaces for citizens. Located near Chaityabhoomi, we have proposed to name it 'Mata Ramabai Ambedkar Smruti viewing deck'," Thackeray said in a tweet.

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

#### **6.** Hints to Remember

Who: DBS Bank India

What: partners with Stellapps to create greater access to digitisation for dairies

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

DBS Bank India announced that it has partnered with Stellapps, a leading dairy-tech startup, as its banking partner to promote digitisation amongst small dairies across India. This initiative aligns with DBS' commitment to supporting lives and livelihoods through better business and responsible financing. The partnership is expected to indirectly benefit 20,000 farmers at present and around 100,000+ dairy farmers in the near future.

India is the largest milk producer globally, with ~188 million MT production in 2019-20, and approximately 70 million farmers are directly involved in dairying. Digitisation of the dairy value chain is expected to improve productivity and quality of milk, transparency and traceability in the supply chain, and improve incomes and financial inclusion amongst dairy farmers.



Who: Tibetan govt-in-exile

What: inaugurates museum in Dharamshala

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

President of Tibetan government-in-exile Penpa Tsering on Wednesday inaugurated a new Tibet museum in Himachal Pradesh's Dharamshala that will be focused on the political side of the Tibetan struggle.

The museum was inaugurated under the department of Information and International Relations, Central Tibetan Administration.

Tsering said, "It is time for people to get the opportunity to see the history of Tibet and the struggle of the Tibetan people."

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

#### 8. Hints to Remember

Who: State Bank of India

What: partners with NSE Academy to launch five online courses

When: published on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The State Bank of India (SBI) has announced partnership with NSE Academy to launch five online courses that promotes financial literacy as a necessary life skill.

Learners can start to enroll for the five inaugural MOOCs of SBI on the NSE Knowledge Hub platform as a part of this strategic association, SBI said.



Who: Age-old Kanchoth Festival

What: Celebrated In J&K's Bhaderwah

When: published on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Braving heavy snowfall and extreme cold wave conditions, people of Bhaderwah celebrated the ancient Kanchoth festival, a symbol of ancient Nag culture.

Dressed in traditional fineries, local residents, including women who observed fast, thronged temples to offer prayers and hoped that the deity can help end the pandemic.

The age-old festival is celebrated by Hindus, mainly Nag followers, who believe that on this day of Gouri tritiya, Lord Shiva and goddess Parvati got married and the latter insisted on a throne made of snow as her wedding gift.

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

#### 10. Hints to Remember

Who: 'Mahabharat's Bheem' actor Praveen Kumar Sobti

What: passes away

When: published on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Actor Praveen Kumar Sobti, popular for essaying the role of Bheem in BR Chopra's Mahabharat, has died at the age of 75. Kumar's daughter Nikunika told indianexpress.com, "He passed away yesterday around 9.30 pm. He suffered a heart attack. He died at home in Delhi."

Besides playing the role of Bheem, which made him a household name, Kumar also starred in many films including Amitabh Bachchan-starrer Shehenshah and Dharmendra's Loha. Other films to his credit include Aaj Ka Arjun, Ajooba, and Ghayal, among others.



Who: PMKSY scheme

What: extended till FY'26 with Rs 4,600 crore outlay

When: published on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The food processing ministry on Monday said its flagship scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY)' has been extended till March 2026 with an allocation of Rs 4,600 crore.

In a tweet, the ministry said PMKSY has been extended for a period of 2021-22 to 2025-26.

The Central government has allocated Rs 4,600 crore for the scheme, the ministry tweeted.

PMKSY is a comprehensive package which will lead to creation of modern infrastructure with efficient supply chain management from farm gate to retail outlet.

The scheme will boost growth of food processing sector but also help in providing better prices to farmers and creating huge employment opportunities.

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

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: Amazon India

What: signs MoU to turn rural women into entrepreneurs in Karnataka

When: published on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Amazon India said the company has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Karnataka State Rural Livelihood Promotion Society (KSRLPS) to support the growth of women entrepreneurs. The MoU was signed and exchanged in the presence of Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai and Minister of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood CN Ashwath Narayan.

Amazon India would launch Sanjeevini-KSRLPS in its marketplace and extend benefits of the 'Saheli' programme to train and empower thousands of women entrepreneurs to come online and access a wider market for their products, the company said in a press release.



Who: Sonata Software

What: ties up with Microsoft in its launch of Microsoft Cloud for Retail

When: published on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Sonata Software, a global IT Services and Technology Solutions Company, partners with Microsoft in its launch of 'Microsoft Cloud for Retail', further strengthening its offerings to the retail industry.

For over three decades, Sonata Software has been a partner with Microsoft, delivering high quality products and services based on Microsoft's offerings. The 'Microsoft Cloud for Retail' collaboration is expected to further strengthen that relationship.

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

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: MediBuddy

What: ropes in Amitabh Bachchan as brand ambassador

When: published on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022

MediBuddy, one of India's largest digital healthcare platforms, has signed legendary Bollywood star Amitabh Bachchan as official brand ambassador in a two-year deal.

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As part of the deal, Bachchan will be seen endorsing various services available on the platform, while highlighting the need to prioritise one's health.

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

Who: Pradip Shah, ex-consultant to World Bank,

What: appointed Pfizer India chairman

When: published on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Pfizer India appointed Pradip Shah as the chairman of its board following the resignation of R A Shah on February 3.

Announcing the appointment, S Sridhar, the managing director of the company, said with Pradip Shah's elevation as the chairman, the firm will work closely with him on matters of strategic importance. He had earlier been contributing the board for many years as a financial expert.

Who: Kerala

What: signed an MoU with Social Alpha to develop clean energy tech

When: published on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The Kerala government signed an MoU with Social Alpha, a joint initiative of Tata Trust and the Indian government, through its Clean Energy International Incubation Centre (CEIIC). The Energy Management Centre (EMC) and Kerala Development and Innovation Strategy Council (KDISC) are part of the project. They will work together to support innovative and clean energy technology programmes and initiatives by the state government.

The focus is on clean energy technologies promoting smart grids, transition to renewables, and climate action by setting up a joint incubation centre. The incubation centre will have labs and infrastructure by the agencies. The initiative focuses on the country's commitment to climate change.

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

#### 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

What: received \$339.55 billion FDI in last 5 years: Govt

When: published on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

India has received Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows worth USD 339.55 billion in the last five years, Union Minister of State for Commerce and Industry Som Parkash said on Wednesday.

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There has been a continuous increase in the inflow of FDI in recent years. It increased from USD 45.15 billion in 2014-15 to USD 81.97 billion in 2020-21.

During the year 2019-20, the FDI inflows to India stood at USD 74.39 billion. In 2018-19, it stood at USD 62 billion. In 2017-18, it was USD 60.97 billion and in 2016-17, the FDI inflow to India stood at USD 60.22 billion.



Who: THDC India

What: Signs LoI to Set Up 10,000-MW Solar Projects in Rajasthan

When: published on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

State-owned THDC India Limited (THDCIL) has signed a pact to build 10,000 MW solar power projects entailing an investment of ₹10,000 crore in Rajasthan.

"THDC India Limited (THDCIL) signed the letter of intent (LoI) of 10,000 MW in Rajasthan with an estimated investment of ₹40,000 crore for the establishment of renewable energy parks/projects of 10,000 MW in the august presence of the Chief Minister, Rajasthan, and the Minister for Industry, Revenue and Energy, Government of Rajasthan," the company said in a statement.

On behalf of THDCIL, its Director (Finance) J. Behera signed the LoI in Jaipur, which was accepted by Rajasthan Additional Chief Secretary Subodh Agarwal, who is also the CMD of RRECL.

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

#### 19. Hints to Remember

Who: February 10

What: is observed as World Pulses Day every year: United Nations

When: published on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022

World Pulses Day is observed on 10 February to raise awareness about the importance of pulses. The day has been celebrated since 2019 by the United Nations (UN).

The day also highlights the need for increased access to these crops among underprivileged sections of the global population.

Also called legumes, pulses are "the edible seeds of leguminous plants cultivated for food", as defined by the UN. Peas, lentils and dried beans are some of the most commonly consumed pulses.



Who: RBI Policy

What: increases NACH mandate for MSMEs from ₹1 crore to ₹3 crore

When: published on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) announced steps to help the beleaguered MSME sector by enabling better infrastructure for receivables financing.

Governor Shaktikanta Das said it will increase National Automated Clearing House (NACH) mandate limit for Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS) settlements from Rs 1 crore at present to Rs 3 crore.







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