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General Awareness Quiz for IBPS PO Mains

Important Current Affairs Quiz 1

Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answer the questions given below.

1. Hamilton Masakazada, who has recently retired from international cricket, belongs to which among the following countries?

- A. Zimbabwe B. Namibia C. Ireland
D. Scotland E. None of the above

2. Jose Jose who passed away recently was famous for his contribution in which among the following areas?

- A. Sports B. Music C. Politics
D. Journalism E. None of the above

3. The Innovating for Clean Air, a joint initiative between India and _____, has recently launched clean air initiative in Bengaluru in 2019.

- A. Russia B. France C. United Kingdom
D. USA E. Hungary

4. The Union Government has recently launched the One Nation One Ration Card Scheme on pilot basis in four states of the country. Which among the following is NOT one of them?

- A. Rajasthan B. Maharashtra C. Telangana
D. Andhra Pradesh E. Gujarat

5. Which among the following has recently become the first ever state in the country to adopt digital fingerprint and iris scanning system in police investigation?

- A. Telangana B. Andhra Pradesh C. Haryana
D. Maharashtra E. West Bengal

6. Which among the following was the theme of the International Day of Older Persons observed on October 1, 2019?

- A. Old age is the second childhood
- B. Every old person is young
- C. Old in age, young at heart
- D. The Journey to Age Equality
- E. None of the above

7. Which among the following IT Services companies has recently bagged an offer from ICICI Bank to offer the bank a cluster of services?

- A. Tata Consultancy Services
- B. Wipro
- C. Cognizant Technology Solutions
- D. Tech Mahindra
- E. None of the above

8. Who among the following has been awarded with the 'Entrepreneur of the Year 2019'?

- A. Ruhan Rajput
- B. Ashok Kapoor
- C. Binny Bansal
- D. Himanshu Khandelwal
- E. Priyadarshini Singh

9. Who among the following has been awarded with the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2019 from Myanmar?

- A. Ko Swe Win
- B. Angkhana Neelapajit
- C. Kim Jong Ki
- D. Raymundo Pujante Cayabyab
- E. None of the above

10. Who among the following has recently authored the book 'A Short History of Indian Railways'?

- A. Rajendra B Aklekar
- B. Dharmendra Singh Pathan
- C. Rajeev Lal Masand
- D. Anshula Roy Kapoor
- E. None of the above

11. ESIC has signed an agreement with which among the following for direct transfer of benefits to the ESI stakeholders?

- A. Punjab National Bank
- B. State Bank of India
- C. ICICI Bank
- D. HDFC Bank
- E. None of the above

12. Which among the following has recently become the first Indian bank to open a branch in Victoria, Australia?

- A. Bank of Baroda B. HDFC Bank C. State Bank of India
D. Axis Bank E. Bank of Baroda

13. Which among the following was chosen as the theme of the 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' observed in September 2019?

- A. Sustainable food items B. Recyclable food items C. Complementary Feeding
D. Healthy mothers, healthy future E. None of the above

14. The Government of India has recently announced a contribution of _____ to the Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria.

- A. \$20 Million B. \$25 Million C. \$30 Million
D. \$22 Million E. None of the above

15. Which among the following airports has recently got the tallest ATC Tower in the country?

- A. Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi
B. Chatrapati Shivaji International Airport, Mumbai
C. Netaji Subhash International Airport, Kolkata
D. Ram Manohar Lohia International Airport, Patna
E. None of the above

16. Which among the following states has topped the School Education Quality Index, 2019 by NITI Ayog?

- A. Kerala B. Maharashtra C. Gujarat
D. West Bengal E. Telangana

17. The Indian Army is going to commission the first batch of 100 women soldiers by the year _____ .

- A. 2020 B. 2022 C. 2023
D. 2021 E. 2024

18. India has, in August 2019, agreed to extend \$5,00,000 assistance to which among the following countries during the visit of the President, Ram Nath Kovind to that country?

- A. Namibia B. Georgia C. Somalia
D. Gambia E. None of the above

19. Which city in India has been named as the best city for students as per the QS Best Student Cities Rankings 2019?

- A. Mumbai B. New Delhi C. Bengaluru
D. Chennai E. None of the above

20. According to the World Bank Report, India has slipped to _____ position according to the Global GDP Rankings 2018.

- A. 8th B. 6th C. 12th
D. 7th E. 4th

21. Which among the following countries launched a commemorative postage stamp on the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi?

- A. Israel B. Germany C. Russia
D. South Africa E. Palestine

22. Which among the following countries has recently announced to move its capital to East Kalimantan?

- A. Philippines B. Indonesia C. Myanmar
D. Maldives E. Cambodia

23. Which among the following states has recently launched the 'Save Green, Stay Clean' for preservation of green cover?

- A. Bihar B. Gujarat C. West Bengal
D. Uttar Pradesh E. Haryana

24. The Union Cabinet has recently approved setting up of the Technical Liaison Unit of the Indian Space Research Organization in _____ .

- A. Guangzhou, China B. Moscow, Russia C. New York, USA
D. Beijing, China E. None of the above

25. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has recently signed a Statement of Intent with which among the following tech giants to roll out 'Build for Digital India'?

- A. Facebook Inc. B. Google Inc. C. Amazon Web Services
D. Rubik E. None of the above



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Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
A	B	C	A	D	D	B	A	A	A	B	C	C	D	A
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25					
A	D	D	C	D	E	B	C	B	B					

Explanation:

1. The Captain of Zimbabwe, Hamilton Masakazada, has announced retirement from the international cricket. He has represented his country in 38 tests, 209 ODIs and 62 T20Is after making his debut against West Indies in the year 2001. He has amassed a total of 9410 international runs in the process with 10 centuries and 42 half-centuries.

Hence, option A is correct.

2. Legendary Mexican Singer, Jose Jose, has passed away in September 2019. He was also known as 'The Prince of Song'. He had a career spanning more than four decades with multiple Grammy Nominations and multiple bestselling albums.

Hence, option B is correct.

3. The Innovating for Clean Air (IfCA) is a joint initiative between India and UK and it has recently launched an initiative to provide clean and quality air in Bengaluru. The program aims at providing a sustainable and stable system to monitor air quality through satellite data so that the quality remains good in the concerned area.

Hence, option C is correct.

4. The Union Government has recently rolled out the 'One Nation One Ration Card' scheme so that the families who have such cards will be able to get subsidized food items from any ration shop in the country. However, the Aadhaar Number is needed to be linked with the ration card as well to avail this benefit. The four states where the government has implemented this scheme on pilot basis are – Telengana, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra.

Hence, option A is correct.

5. Recently, Maharashtra has become the first ever state in the country to adopt the digital fingerprint and iris scanning system in police investigation. The Automated Multi-Modal Biometric Identification System will be in place to implement this process in the state. This project will be utilized as the stepping stone to replicate the model throughout the country by creating a model to be followed by other states of the country. Maharashtra Police tied up with the National Crime Records Bureau to implement this system.

Hence, option D is correct.

6. October 1 is celebrated as the International Day of Older Persons every year in order to recognize the contributions made by them towards the society and also the challenges of ageing in the society. The theme of the 2019 edition was: The Journey to Age Equality. It was mainly aimed at managing existing and future old age-related inequalities.

Hence, option D is correct.

7. Wipro has received contracts worth \$300 million from ICICI Bank to provide them with a suite of services for the next seven years to come, starting from 2019. In the process, Wipro will also absorb all the existing employees of the earlier service provider to the bank, along with their existing contracts and facilities.

Hence, option B is correct.

8. Ruhan Rajput, the co-founder of Einfole Technologies Pvt Limited, has been awarded with the prestigious 'Entrepreneur of the Year Award' in 2019. He has been recognized for his contribution towards the Knowledge Process Outsourcing Industry in India since his organization caters to all-round needs of the clients starting from comprehensive research to imparting sustainable solutions.

Hence, option A is correct.

- 9.** The Ramon Magsaysay Award is given every year in order to recognize selfless service and transformative influence from any Asian that reflects the ideals of the Philippines Leader, Ramon del Fierro Magsaysay. In 2019, the following personalities have been recognized by this award:

Ko Swe Win from Myanmar for being a human rights activist; Angkhana Neelapajit (Thailand) for human rights, Raymundo Pujante Cayabyab (Philippines) for music, Kim Jong Ki (South Korea) for fighting against mental health issues and Raveesh Kumar (India) for journalism.

Hence, option A is correct.

- 10.** Veteran journalist and author Rajendra B Aklekar has recently authored the book 'A Short History of Indian Railways' regarding the history of the national transporter. The book is regarding the journey of Indian railways from the earlier days till the modern day projects such as Train 18 and obviously the Bullet Trains.

Hence, option A is correct.

- 11.** The Employees' State Insurance Corporation has signed an agreement with the State Bank of India so that all the benefits of the ESI scheme go directly to the accounts of the ESI beneficiaries. The bank will provide e-payment gateway facility to the corporation for this purpose. This will ensure safe and fast transfer of funds once the claim is sanctioned by the ESI.

Hence, option B is correct.

- 12.** State Bank of India has become the first ever Indian bank to open a branch in the state of Victoria, Australia. The office has been opened in Melbourne and this office will assist in the growing trade and investment relations between India and Victoria.

Hence, option C is correct.

- 13.** The government has observed the month of September 2019 as the 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' with the theme of Complementary Feeding. Prime Minister's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment – POSHAN Abhiyan was the program focused during this month in order to achieve the target of eradication of malnutrition from the country by the year 2022 in a target-based approach.

Hence, option C is correct.

- 14.** The Government of India has announced that it would contribute \$22 million to the Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria for the 6th replenishment cycle between 2020 and 2022. It is an increase by 10% from the 5th replenishment cycle. It is a testimony that India stands firm to its commitment to ensure that universal health is accessible to all around the world and the world gets free from diseases such as AIDS, TB, Malaria etc.

Hence, option D is correct.

- 15.** The Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi, has got the tallest ATC Tower in the country in order to enhance the safety and efficiency of air transport management services. The height of the tower is 102 meters and it is expected to ensure timely flights for the customers by reducing delays in traffic management in the airport.

Hence, option A is correct.

- 16.** According to the School Education Quality Index 2019 published by NITI Ayog, Kerala has topped the index whereas Uttar Pradesh has come at the bottom. Chandigarh has come at the top of the list among all the Union Territories. The index assesses the states on the basis of learning outcomes, access, quality of education, infrastructure, teacher-student ratio etc.

Hence, option A is correct.

- 17.** The Indian Army has recently announced that it is going to induct the first batch of 100 women soldiers in the force by March 2021. They will be inducted into the Corps of Military Police of the Indian Army which is responsible for policing cantonments and other army establishments. As of now, women only work in areas such as medical, engineering, legal and educational wings.

Hence, option D is correct.

- 18.** During the Presidential visit of our President, Ram Nath Kovind, India has agreed to extend \$500000 assistance to the West African Nation named Gambia in order to support the skill development infrastructure and cottage industry projects in that country. Gambia has also become a signing member of the International Solar Alliance Framework, during this visit.

Hence, option D is correct.

- 19.** According to the QS Best Student Cities Rankings 2019, Bengaluru has been ranked as the best city for students followed by Mumbai and Delhi. A total of 120 cities have been surveyed for this and London has emerged as the best city for students as per this ranking. Tokyo came second followed by Melbourne in the list.

Hence, option C is correct.

- 20.** According to the Global GDP Rankings Report 2018 published by World Bank, India has slipped to the 7th position from the 6th position a year ago. USA has retained its position at the top whereas China and Japan followed the suit in the 2nd and 3rd positions respectively. However, the bank has made it clear that India still remains the fastest growing major economy in the world as per this report as well.

Hence, option D is correct.

- 21.** Palestine has launched a commemorative postage stamp to recognize the 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi to honour the contributions made by him towards the humanity. It was a recognition to the value addition brought about by Mahatma Gandhi and the foreign minister of that country also emphasized on the aspect of future contributions of such ideals as well.

Hence, option E is correct.

- 22.** The Indonesian President has announced that the country is going to shift its capital from Jakarta to East Kalimantan since the present capital is overcrowded, sinking and also too much polluted. The new capital city has not yet been named but the required infrastructure is already in place because of its location in the middle of the nation.

Hence, option B is correct.

- 23.** The Chief Minister of West Bengal, Mamta Banerjee, has recently launched the campaign, 'Save Green Stay Clean' in order to preserve the green cover all around the state. The government has decided to give around 1 lakh saplings throughout the state in order to spread greenery throughout the state.

Hence, option C is correct.

24. The Union Cabinet has recently given approval to Indian Space Research Organization to open its first ever Technical Liaison Unit in Moscow, Russia. The unit will be responsible for collaborating with various state space agencies in Russia and in the neighbouring countries in order to create mutually synergetic technology. It will also assist in implementing the various existing bilateral space endeavors between the countries.

Hence, option B is correct.

25. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has partnered with Google in order to launch 'Build for Digital India'. This will provide a platform to the engineering students to showcase their problem-solving skills in key social impact areas. The applicants will get the opportunity in participate in various offline and online learning opportunities in areas such as machine learning, cloud, android etc.

Hence, option B is correct.



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