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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

## January GA Quiz 14

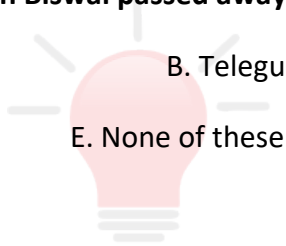
Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answers the questions given below:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ and India's Manikaran Power Limited have recently signed a memorandum of understanding on energy trading.

- A. Bhutan Power Exchange Limited
- B. Bangladesh Power Exchange Limited
- C. Sri Lank Power Exchange Limited
- D. Nepal Power Exchange Limited
- E. None of these

2. Manglu Charan Biswal passed away recently. He was poet of which language?

- A. Marathi
- B. Telegu
- C. Tamil
- D. Odia
- E. None of these



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3. Which company has recently signed a Joint Development Agreement with Africa50, the pan-African infrastructure investment platform to continue to develop the Kenya Transmission Project on a public-private partnership basis?

- A. Power Grid Corporation of India
- B. NTPC Limited
- C. NHPC Limited
- D. Oil and Natural Gas Corporation
- E. None of these

4. Name the person who has been appointed as the chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) as well as the Space Secretary.

- A. Kailasavadivoo Sivan
- B. P. Kunhikrishnan
- C. Muthayya Vanitha
- D. Ritu Karidhal
- E. None of these

5. Hyderabad-based CtrlS deployed Asia's largest Gas Insulated Substation (GIS) in which city?

- A. Surat
- B. Chennai
- C. Mumbai
- D. Cuttack
- E. None of these



**6. Capgemini has set up a quantum computing laboratory called “Capgemini Q-Lab” in partnership with which company?**

- A. Accenture
- B. Cognizant
- C. Wipro
- D. IBM
- E. None of these

**7. Australian wine brand, Jacob’s Creek has recently appointed which female cricketer as its ambassador?**

- A. Mithali Raj
- B. Smriti Mandhana
- C. Harmanpreet Kaur
- D. Jhulan Goswami
- E. None of these

**8. Which company has/ have received the World Bank Group and the Consumer Technology Association’s Global Women’s Health Tech Awards?**

- A. NIRAMAI Health Analytix Pvt. Ltd
- B. InnAccel Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
- C. Forus Health Pvt. Ltd.
- D. Only A and B
- E. None of these



**9. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully conducted qualification tests of the Cryogenic Engine for which human space programme?**

- A. Gaganyaan
- B. Chandrayaan-1
- C. Aditya-L1
- D. Pragyan-1
- E. None of these

**10. Who among the following has recently met UK Secretary of State for International Trade Anne-Marie Trevelyan for the launch of India-UK Free Trade Agreement Negotiations?**

- A. Piyush Goyal
- B. Ashwini Vaishnaw
- C. Nirmala Sitharaman
- D. Rajnath Singh
- E. None of these

**11. CDSL Ventures Limited has recently received approval from which agency to set up an Accreditation Agency for a period of 3 years with effect from February 01, 2022 for accreditation of eligible Investors?**

- A. Reserve Bank of India
- B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
- C. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- D. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority
- E. None of these

**12. Which company and Adani Group have agreed to jointly build a \$5 billion integrated steel plant in Gujarat in the third attempt by the South Korean steel giant to have a significant manufacturing presence in India?**

- A. POSCO
- B. Hanwha Group
- C. Lotte Chemical
- D. Hyundai Steel
- E. None of these

**13. Who among the following has been named Kazakhstan's Prime Minister?**

- A. Askar Mamin
- B. Erulan Jamaubaev
- C. Alikhan Smailov
- D. Roman Sklyar
- E. None of these

**14. 'India State of Forest Report 2021' has been prepared by which organization?**

- A. Forest Survey of India
- B. Wildlife Institute of India
- C. Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education
- D. Indian Forest Service
- E. None of these

**15. Which bank has recently announced that it has received RBI approval for the appointment of Ittira Davis as its Managing Director & CEO for a period of one year?**

- A. Equitas Small Finance Bank
- B. Jana Small Finance Bank

- C. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- D. ESAF Small Finance Bank
- E. None of these

**16. S Ramesan passed away recently. He was poet of which language?**

- A. Malayalam
- B. Tamil
- C. Odia
- D. Marathi
- E. None of these

**17. Who among the following is the author of the book titled as 'Indomitable - A Working Woman's Notes on Life, Work and Leadership'?**

- A. Chanda Kochhar
- B. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- C. Anshula Kant
- D. Shikha Sharma
- E. None of these

**18. The Supreme Court has appointed a five-member panel to inquire into the security breach during PM Narendra Modi's visit to Punjab. Who among the following is going to head the panel?**

- A. Dipak Misra
- B. Indu Malhotra
- C. Fathima Beevi
- D. Uday Lalit
- E. None of these

**19. Which of the following banks has recently partnered with MinkasuPay for seamless net banking experience?**

- A. ICICI Bank
- B. HDFC Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. YES Bank
- E. None of these

**20. Armed Forces Veterans Day was observed on which date?**

- A. January 14
- B. January 13
- C. January 12
- D. January 11
- 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:** Nepal Power Exchange Limited and India's Manikaran Power Limited

**What:** signed a memorandum of understanding on energy trading

**When:** published on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Nepal Power Exchange Limited and India's Manikaran Power Limited signed a memorandum of understanding on energy trading.

The deal ends the monopoly of the state-owned power utility—Nepal Electricity Authority—in energy trade.

Observers see Monday's development as a landmark deal that could pave the way for the country's private sector to sell electricity in the Indian market. The pact was signed during Nepal Power Market Summit 2022 held in Kathmandu.

Nepal Power Exchange Limited is a company promoted by many members of the Independent Power Producers' Association of Nepal (IPPAN), the private sector body that promotes and encourages electricity development.

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

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Odia litterateur Manglu Charan Biswal

**What:** passes away

**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Eminent Odia litterateur Manglu Charan Biswal, on whose story the first Sambalpur film 'Bhukha' was based, died after a prolonged illness on Tuesday.

He was 86, and is survived by his wife Shailabala, three sons and a daughter.

Biswal died at his residence at Baradungri in Sambalpur district, his family said.

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

### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Power Grid

**What:** ties with Africa50 to pioneer Africa's first transmission PPP project in Kenya

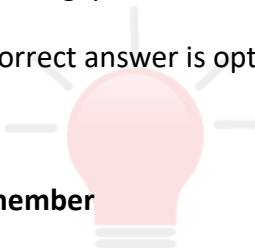
**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) has signed a Joint Development Agreement with Africa50, the pan-African infrastructure investment platform to continue to develop the Kenya Transmission Project on a public-private partnership basis.

The project entails the development, financing, construction, and operation of the 400kV Lessos – Loosuk and 220kV Kisumu – Musaga transmission lines under a public-private partnership (PPP) framework. Once completed, the project will be the first Independent Power Transmission (IPT) in Kenya and will set a reference point in Africa as the first financing of transmission lines on a PPP basis.

This Project will also improve both the supply and reliability of power transmission in Western Kenya and further create a demonstration effect to help increase private sector investments into the expansion of Africa's power transmission networks, which is critical to bridging the continent's electricity access gap.

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



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### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Eminent rocket scientist S Somanath

**What:** appointed ISRO chief

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Eminent rocket scientist S Somanath has been appointed as the chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) as well as the Space Secretary, a Personnel Ministry order issued said.

Somanath, who is at present Director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), will succeed K Sivan who completes his extended tenure.

Sivan was in January 2018 appointed as the ISRO chief, Secretary of the Department of Space and Chairman Space Commission.

He was in December 2020 given a one-year extension till January 14, 2022.

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



## 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** CtrlS

**What:** deploys Asia's largest gas insulated substation in Mumbai

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Hyderabad-based CtrlS deployed Asia's largest Gas Insulated Substation (GIS) in Mumbai. The state-of-the-art GIS is currently equipped with a 300 MW capacity and can scale up to 700 MW.

The GIS is backed by three different sources and diversified paths ensuring 100 per cent availability of power, thus powering the two million square feet CtrlS Datacenter Campus with 10 data centres. The campus is currently under construction, of which four rated-4 data centres are operational.

CtrlS GIS facility has very limited sensitivity to environment, humidity. It is highly corrosion resistant, seismic resistant, enjoys an operating life of greater than 50 years, with no maintenance requirement for 25 years and protected against aggressive environmental conditions.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Capgemini

**What:** sets up quantum lab in partnership with IBM

**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Technology services and consulting firm Capgemini on Wednesday announced that it has set up a quantum computing laboratory, called the Capgemini Q-Lab. The facility will be available in the United Kingdom, Portugal and India, and will work as research facilities to help build quantum applications.

According to Capgemini, the Q-Lab can be used by the company's clients to build in-house quantum computing applications, as well as licensable technologies.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Jacob's Creek

**What:** appoints cricketer Mithali Raj as brand ambassador

**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Australian wine brand, Jacob's Creek has announced captain of the Indian women's cricket team and Padma Shri awardee Mithali Raj as its ambassador.



The company said in a statement that Raj is considered one of the finest women cricketers of all time and is synonymous with shattering the glass ceiling in a male-dominated sport. She is the highest run-scorer in women's international cricket and is the only woman to score 7,000 ODI runs in cricket.

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

## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** InnAccel & NIRAMAI

**What:** receive World Bank Group & Consumer Technology Association's Global Women's HealthTech Awards

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The World Bank Group and the Consumer Technology Association have awarded NIRAMAI Health Analytix Pvt. Ltd. and InnAccel Technologies Pvt. Ltd., two DBT-BIRAC-supported start-ups based in India, the Global Women's Health Tech Awards.

The award recognises innovative startups that use technology to improve women's health and safety in emerging markets.

Launched in August 2021, the Awards attracted over 70 companies from 35 countries, which submitted their innovative products and services under three categories: reproductive health and pregnancy, general women's and adolescent health, and women safety and security.

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

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** ISRO

**What:** successfully conducts qualification tests of Cryogenic Engine for Gaganyaan

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully conducted qualification tests of the Cryogenic Engine for Gaganyaan human space programme.

The ISRO Propulsion Complex in Tamil Nadu conducted the test for 720 seconds duration yesterday and met the test objectives. A release by ISRO said, the engine parameters were closely matching with the predictions during the entire duration of the test. This successful long duration test is a major milestone for the Human Space programme Gaganyaan.

The successful test has ensured the reliability and robustness of the cryogenic engine for induction into the human rated launch vehicle for Gaganyaan. The engine will further undergo four more tests for a cumulative duration of 1810 seconds. Thereafter one more engine will undergo two short

duration tests and one long duration test to complete the cryogenic engine qualification for the Gaganyaan programme.

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal

**What:** meets UK Secretary of State for International Trade Anne-Marie Trevelyan for launch of India-UK Free Trade Agreement Negotiations

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal has met UK Secretary of State for International Trade Anne-Marie Trevelyan for the launch of India-UK Free Trade Agreement Negotiations. In a tweet, Mr. Goyal said that deliberations will be held over an array of trade opportunities of mutual interest benefiting both sides.

India and the UK today launched talks for trade pact. Commerce and Industry minister Piyush Goyal speaking to reporters after meeting UK secretary of state for International Trade Anne-Marie Trevelyan said both the countries hope to conclude talks in a year or so. He said, full-fledged discussion on free trade agreement on a comprehensive economic partnership is truly a very very important milestone in engagement between the two countries.

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** CDSL's arm

**What:** gets SEBI nod to set up Accreditation Agency

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

CDSL has announced that its wholly owned subsidiary - CDSL Ventures Limited, has received market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India's (SEBI) approval to set up an Accreditation Agency for a period of 3 years with effect from February 01, 2022 for accreditation of eligible Investors.

In August 2021, SEBI had introduced a concept of 'Accredited Investors' (AIs) in the Indian securities market. Under the aforesaid framework covering Alternative Investment Funds, Portfolio Managers and Investment Advisors, AIs may avail flexibility in minimum investment amount (lower ticket size) or concessions from specific regulatory requirements applicable to investment products, subject to conditions applicable for specific products or services.

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

## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Posco, Adani Group

**What:** to build \$5 billion Mundra steel mill

**When:** published on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

South Korea's Posco and Adani Group have agreed to jointly build a \$5 billion integrated steel plant in Gujarat in the third attempt by the South Korean steel giant to have a significant manufacturing presence in India.

As part of an initial non-binding agreement between Posco and Adani, the environment-friendly steel mill would be built at Mundra in Gujarat, the home state of the billionaire Gautam Adani-led conglomerate.

Details such as the investment and manufacturing capacity of the new plant were not disclosed.

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

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Alikhan Smailov

**What:** named Kazakhstan's Prime Minister

**When:** published on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Alikhan Smailov served as the first Deputy Prime Minister in the previous cabinet which Mr. Tokayev dismissed last week amid violent unrest in the oil-rich Central Asian nation

Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev nominated Alikhan Smailov for Prime Minister on January 11, and the lower house of parliament swiftly voted him in during a session broadcast live on state television.

Alikhan Smailov (49) served as the first Deputy Prime Minister in the previous cabinet which Mr. Tokayev dismissed last week amid violent unrest in the oil-rich Central Asian nation.

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

## 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 'India State of Forest Report 2021' prepared by FSI

**What:** has been released

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The country's forest and tree cover is spread across 8.09 lakh sq. km – an increase of 2,261 sq. km since 2019 – according to the latest edition of India's 'State of Forest Report', for the year 2021. Union environment minister Bhupendra Yadav released the report, prepared every two years by the Forest Survey of India (FSI), in New Delhi on January 13.

On the flip side, the report has recorded a decline in forest cover in the country's hill and tribal districts as well as across the northeastern states.

"India has very unique forests," Yadav said during the release function. "People and nature are not separate here, but part of each other. Our native wisdom links us to nature. He added that the report can tell us "how we can not only conserve our forests but also make them prosper."

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

## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** RBI

**What:** approves appointment of Ittira Davis as MD & CEO of Ujjivan SFB

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Ujjivan Small Finance Bank (SFB) today announced that it has received RBI approval for the appointment of Ittira Davis as its Managing Director & CEO for a period of one year.

Ittira Davis has been with Ujjivan since 2015 and was previously CEO of Ujjivan Financial Services. His appointment as Director (Executive) will be for a period co-terminus with his tenure as MD and CEO.

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

## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Malayalam poet-orator S Ramesan

**What:** passes away

**When:** published on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Well-known Malayalam poet and orator S Ramesan, a prominent figure in the socio-political arena of the state and a campaigner of progressive movement, collapsed and died at his residence in Ernakulam district on Thursday morning, family sources said.

He was 69.

Born on February 16, 1952 in Vaikom in Kottayam district, Ramesan began his poetic life during his childhood.



Besides penning and publishing a handful of books later including the famed Shidhila Chitrangal, Enikkarodum Pakayilla, Kalushitha Kalam and so on, he also took forward his professional career in the state government service till 2007.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** A book on Arundhati Bhattacharya “Indomitable: A Working Woman’s Notes on Life, Work and Leadership”

**What:** was released

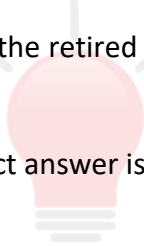
**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Former State Bank of India (SBI) Chairperson Arundhati Bhattacharya turned author with her autobiography - 'Indomitable - A Working Woman's Notes on Life, Work and Leadership'.

Published by HarperCollins India, the book tracks the life and career of the 65-year-old banker, who broke the glass ceiling and stood out in a male-dominated industry. It shares a glimpse into how she got into the challenging banking job and left her mark as an exceptional leader.

In 'Indomitable', the retired Indian banker talks about her growing up years and early education in the 1960s.

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



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## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** PM security breach: Supreme Court

**What:** appoints 5-member panel headed by ex-judge Indu Malhotra

**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The Supreme Court has appointed a five-member panel headed by a retired judge, Justice Indu Malhotra, to inquire into the security breach during PM Narendra Modi’s visit to Punjab on January 5.

SC bench of CJI N V Ramana and Justices Surya Kant and Hima Kohli requested Justice Malhotra Committee to submit inquiry report as early as possible.

Other members of the SC-appointed inquiry panel headed by Justice Malhotra are - DG of NIA or his nominee not below the rank of IG, DGP of Chandigarh UT, DGP of Punjab, and Registrar General of Punjab and Haryana High Court.

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



## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Axis Bank

**What:** partners MinkasuPay for seamless net banking experience

**When:** published on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Axis Bank, India's third-largest private sector bank, today announced its partnership with MinkasuPay to offer the smoothest net banking payment experience for its customers through a biometric authentication solution.

Transaction time will reduce from the current 50-60 seconds to just 2-3 seconds with Fingerprint or Face ID authentication while increasing success rates significantly.

In a continuous effort to provide hassle-free digital payment solutions to its customers, Axis Bank, through this partnership with MinkasuPay, will enable customers to make net banking payments in merchant apps using Fingerprint or Face ID, without the need of usernames, passwords, and OTPs. This will enhance user experience while bolstering security and reducing cyber-fraud.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Armed Forces Veterans Day 2022

**What:** was observed on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Armed Forces Veterans Day is observed on January 14 every year, since 2017. It is celebrated to honour the sacrifice of our veterans in serving the nation. Armed Forces Veterans Day was called Armistice Day when it was announced and this year, the nation will celebrate the 6th Armed Forces Veterans Day. Armed Forces Veterans Day recognises the services rendered by Field Marshal KM Cariappa OBE, the first Indian Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Armed Forces. He retired on January 14 in 1953.

Last year on this day, wreath laying ceremony, as well as, Veterans Meet were organised at various Military Stations to mark the solidarity of our veterans. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh along with late Chief of Defence Staff Bipin Rawat had attended the Veterans Meet at Air Force Station, Bengaluru. NoK, Veterans and representatives of various ex-servicemen organisations were also present at the event.

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



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