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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 17

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

1. Which of the following banks has tied up with MinkasuPay, a mobile payments company based in Silicon Valley, California, to offer a smooth net banking payment experience to its customers through biometric authentication solution?

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

2. The Reserve Bank of India has recently extended the validity of its Directions for Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Bengaluru, till _____ 10, 2022, subject to review.

- A. April B. June C. August
D. May E. None of these

3. LazyPay, a Buy Now Pay Later solution by PayU Finance has recently announced its partnership with which bank to launch LazyCard, a prepaid payment instrument backed by a credit line, foraying into the card segment?

- A. RBL Bank B. SBM Bank C. HDFC Bank
D. Axis Bank E. None of these

4. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has virtually inaugurated 11 new government medical colleges in which state?

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

5. Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Anurag Thakur and Lt. Governor of Puducherry Tamilisai Soundararajan have unveiled the Logo and Mascot of the 25th National Youth Festival. This festival is going to be held in which UT or State?

- A. Tamil Nadu B. Puducherry C. Gujarat
D. Jammu and Kashmir E. None of these

6. As per the announcement made by the Board for Control of Cricket in India (BCCI), who among the following will lead the 15-member India squad in the upcoming ICC Women's World Cup?

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

7. The All India Sports Council of the Deaf has recently got approval from the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSF) to host the first World Deaf T20 Cricket Championship in Kerala from which year?

- A. 2022
- B. 2023
- C. 2024
- D. 2025
- E. None of these

8. A first of its kind mobile app 'Urban Forest Parks' has been launched in which state?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Jharkhand
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Telangana
- E. None of these

9. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the re-appointment of Anup Bagchi as the Executive Director of which bank for three years?

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

10. The Government of India has extended the tenure of Navrang Saini as interim Chairperson of which organization for three more months till March 05, 2022?

- A. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
- B. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority
- C. National Company Law Appellate Tribunal
- D. Employees' Provident Fund Organisation
- E. None of these

11. Who among the following has recently attended 82nd Indian Public Schools' Conference?

- A. Dharmendra Pradhan B. Ramesh Pokhriyal C. Ashwini Vaishnaw
D. Mansukh Mandaviya E. None of these

12. Who among the following has chaired a high-level meeting to make Atmanirbhar Bharat in Urea and DAP Production by using 'Green Hydrogen'?

- A. Mansukh Mandaviya B. Ashwini Vaishnaw C. Ramesh Pokhriyal
D. Dharmendra Pradhan E. None of these

13. 'National Start-up Day' was recently celebrated on which date?

- A. January 16 B. January 15 C. January 14
D. January 13 E. None of these

14. Who among the following has been appointed as the Chairman of the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR)?

- A. Rajeev Chandrasekhar B. Raghvendra Tanwar C. Narendra Singh Prasad
D. Parshottam Rupala E. None of these

15. Which organization has set up a department to help create regulations for the financial technology sector and its upcoming central bank digital currency (CBDC)?

- A. SEBI B. State Bank of India C. Life Insurance Corporation
D. National Housing Bank E. None of these

16. India's first heli-hub is going to be set up in _____ .

- A. Faridabad B. New Delhi C. Noida
D. Gurugram E. None of these



17. _____ has recently won the 2021 International Craft Award for the best craft village of the year.

- A. Karnataka Arts and Crafts Village
- B. Andhra Arts and Crafts Village
- C. Odisha Arts and Crafts Village
- D. Kerala Arts and Crafts Village
- E. None of these

18. Which company has recently collaborated with Google Pay to provide instant loans to eligible small merchants on the Google Pay platform?

- A. Scoreme Solutions Pvt Ltd.
- B. CoinTribe Technologies Pvt Ltd
- C. Indifi Technologies Private Limited
- D. Fiserv India Pvt. Ltd.
- E. None of these



19. The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and which state government have joined hands to improve the food security of small and marginal farmers by strengthening their resilience to climate change?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Odisha
- C. Jharkhand
- D. Madhya Pradesh
- E. None of these

20. How many startups has been declared winners of National Startup Awards 2021?

- A. 45
- B. 47
- C. 46
- D. 48
- 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: Axis Bank

What: ties up with California-based MinkasuPay for smoother net banking payments

When: published on 12th January 2022

Axis Bank has tied up with MinkasuPay, a mobile payments company based in Silicon Valley, California, to offer a smooth net banking payment experience to its customers through biometric authentication solution.

The 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, the companies said in a release on Wednesday.

"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," it said.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: extends validity of its Directions for Sri Guru Raghavendra Bank till May 10, 2022

When: published on 11th January 2022

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the validity of its Directions for Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Bengaluru, till May 10, 2022, subject to review.

The bank has been under RBI Directions with effect from close of business on January 10, 2020. RBI brought the bank under Directions in the interest of depositor protection.

The withdrawal limit for depositors of Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank is capped at ₹1 lakh per depositor during the entire duration that it is under RBI Directions.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: LazyPay

What: forays into card segment partnering with SBM Bank India

When: published on 11th January 2022

LazyPay, a Buy Now Pay Later solution by PayU Finance, today announced its partnership with SBM Bank India to launch LazyCard, a prepaid payment instrument backed by a credit line, foraying into the card segment.

The card aims at empowering financially underserved Indians with easy access to credit. Powered by Visa and SBM Bank India, LazyCard is built with a strong rewards structure, creating value for customers in every transaction by offering bigger, better cash back rewards and offers like never before. Digitally linked to the LazyPay app, the card uses "robust technology to ensure security and a hassle-free experience in managing payments".

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: PM Modi

What: inaugurates 11 new medical colleges in Tamil Nadu

When: published on 12th January 2022

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 11 new medical colleges in Tamil Nadu and a new campus of the Central Institute of Classical Tamil (CICT) via video conferencing on Wednesday, January 12.

The new medical colleges have been established at an estimated cost of about Rs 4,000 crore, out of which around Rs 2,145 crore has been provided by the Union government and the rest by the Tamil Nadu government.

The districts in which the new Medical Colleges are being established are Virudhunagar, Namakkal, The Nilgiris, Tiruppur, Thiruvallur, Nagapattinam, Dindigul, Kallakurichi, Ariyalur, Ramanathapuram and Krishnagiri.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Union Minister Shri Anurag Thakur and Lt. Governor of Puducherry Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan

What: unveil the Logo and Mascot of National Youth Festival 2022 in Puducherry

When: published on 5th January 2022

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Anurag Thakur and Lt. Governor of Puducherry Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan today unveiled the Logo and Mascot of the 25th National Youth Festival to be held in Puducherry from 12th -16th January 2022. Speaker of the Puducherry Legislative Assembly, Shri R. Selvam, Chief Minister of Puducherry Shri N. Rangaswamy, Education Minister Shri A. Namasivayam were also present on the occasion.

Speaking at the occasion, Shri Anurag Thakur said that Puducherry as a venue for the National Youth Festival 2022 was handpicked by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. The Union Minister added that the Prime Minister is expected to inaugurate the Youth Festival and address the youth. Shri Anurag Thakur also unveiled the tag-line of the National Youth Festival, Shaksham Yuva Shashakth Yuva meaning Capable Youth- Forceful Youth, Able Youth- Strong Youth.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Mithali Raj

What: is to lead the 15-member India squad in the upcoming ICC Women's World Cup

When: published on 6th January 2022

Mithali Raj will lead the 15-member India squad in the upcoming ICC Women's World Cup, the Board for Control of Cricket in India (BCCI) announced on Thursday. The same squad will play a five-match ODI series against New Zealand as a preparation for the mega event.

India begin their ICC Women's World Cup campaign against arch-rivals Pakistan on March 6 at the Bay Oval, Tauranga. The five-match ODI series against the White Ferns is scheduled to start on February 11. The BCCI women's selection committee also selected a squad for a one-off T20 international against New Zealand to be played on February 9.

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: AISCD

What: gets approval to hold first World Deaf T20 Cricket championship in 2023

When: published on 7th January 2022

The All India Sports Council of the Deaf said it has got approval from the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD) to host the first World Deaf T20 Cricket Championship in Kerala from January 10 to 20, 2023.

Honorary General Secretary, AISCD, G Suresh Kumar said the first World Deaf T20 cricket championship will be held in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala from January 10 to January 20, 2023.

"This championship was planned to be conducted in 2020-2021 but due to the sudden outbreak of coronavirus it was postponed first to 2022 and now fixed for January 2023," Kumar said in a press statement.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Telangana forest Minister

What: launches Mobile App On Urban Forest Parks

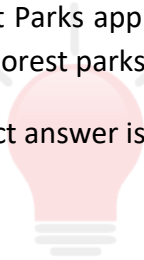
When: published on 8th January 2022

A first of its kind mobile app 'Urban Forest Parks' has been launched by Telangana Forest Minister Allola Indrakaran Reddy here on Friday to unleash the beauty of the theme based Urban Forest parks in the State.

Speaking on the occasion, Indrakaran said that this App is useful for all who look for their nearest urban parks and forest area.

The Urban Forest Parks app has been developed by PamTen Software Solutions Pvt. Ltd, Which helps in exploring the Forest parks that are in one's vicinity and elsewhere in the State.

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



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9. Hints to Remember

Who: The RBI

What: has approved the re-appointment of Anup Bagchi as the Executive Director of ICICI Bank for three years

When: published on 7th January 2022

The RBI has approved the re-appointment of Anup Bagchi as the Executive Director of ICICI Bank for three years, even as the bank had cleared the term for five years.

The Reserve Bank vide its letter dated January 6, 2022, has approved the re-appointment of Anup Bagchi as an Executive Director of the bank for three years with effect from February 1, 2022, ICICI Bank said in a regulatory filing on Friday.

The shareholders of the bank at its Annual General Meeting in August last year had approved Bagchi's re-appointment for five years effective February 1, 2022.

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



10. Hints to Remember

Who: GoI

What: extends Navrang Saini's Term As IBBI Chief

When: published on 8th January 2022

The government's inability to fill top slots in key regulatory bodies on time continues with the Centre extending the additional charge of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) Wholetime Member Navrang Saini as Chairperson till March 5 this year.

It may be recalled that the Centre had in October last year assigned the additional charge to Navrang Saini for a period of three months (till January 13, 2022).

While IBBI still has a chairperson for two more months, the post of Chairman at Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI) is vacant for over eight months now. This is glaring especially in light of the fact that the Government is looking to take insurance behemoth Life Insurance Corporation public in the current quarter.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Dharmendra Pradhan

What: attends 82nd Indian Public Schools' Conference

When: published on 9th January 2022

Union Education and Skill Development Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on Monday virtually addressed the 82nd Indian Public Schools' Conference (IPSC) Principals' Conclave organised by Doon School.

National Education Policy (2020) and its emphasis

Speaking on the occasion, Pradhan said that National Education Policy (2020) focusses on equitable and inclusive education with special emphasis given on Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Groups. An inclusive classroom benefits everyone from myriad experiences and viewpoints, and understand the various challenges facing this country, he added.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Mandaviya

What: chairs high-level meeting to make Atmanirbhar Bharat in urea, DAP production using 'Green Hydrogen'

When: published on 9th January 2022

Union Minister for Chemicals and Fertilizers Mansukh Mandaviya on Saturday chaired a high-level meeting in Nirman Bhawan with officials of the ministry to make Atmanirbhar Bharat in urea and diammonium phosphate (DAP) production by using 'Green Hydrogen', informed the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.

As per the ministry, during the meeting, the Union Minister urged the officials of the Department of Fertilizers to take necessary steps for sustainable agriculture and the green future of India.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: 'National Start-up Day'

What: to be celebrated on January 16

When: published on 15th January 2022

Interacting with over 150 startups on Saturday as part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has declared that January 16 will be celebrated as 'National Start-up Day'.

The prime Minister also said, "start-ups are going to be the backbone of new India. When India completes 100 years of independence, start-ups will have an important role. Country's innovators are making the country proud globally."

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Raghuvendra Tanwar

What: appointed as Chairman of ICHR

When: published on 10th January 2022

Raghuvendra Tanwar, professor emeritus, Kurukshetra University (KU) has been appointed as chairman of the Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR), New Delhi, for a period of three years by the Government of India (GOI).

Prof Tanwar who joined KU as a lecturer in August 1977 has an outstanding academic record, with two gold medals in MA History. He was appointed an open selection professor in 1997 and has also worked as the KU's dean of academic affairs and dean of social sciences. He superannuated in February 2015 and in July 2016 was appointed director of the Haryana Academy of History and Culture.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Reserve Bank of India

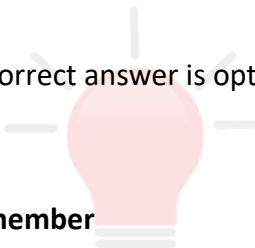
What: Sets Up Fintech Department

When: published on 13th January 2022

The country's central bank, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), has set up a department to help create regulations for the financial technology sector and its upcoming central bank digital currency (CBDC). It will facilitate innovation and identify and address challenges and opportunities in the field. The bank explained that the erstwhile fintech division under the Department of Payment and Settlement Systems (DPPS) has been subsumed into it.

The agency will deal with matters related to inter-regulatory and international coordination on fintech. It will report to the RBI's centralised administration division. Further, the department will provide a framework for research in the field that can aid policy interventions. In an internal circular, RBI said that the department will address matters related to the facilitation of constructive innovations and incubations in the fintech sector if they have wider implications for the financial sector/markets and fall under the purview of the bank. The department will be headed by Ajay Kumar Choudhary, the executive director. He will also look after the risk monitoring department and the inspection department.

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



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16. Hints to Remember

Who: Gurugram

What: to get India's first heli-hub with all aviation facilities

When: published on 5th January 2022

The Haryana government has proposed to set up the first heli-hub of the country in Gurugram designed to have many aviation facilities like heliport, hangars, repairs, and any other related services.

Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala said this heli-hub is proposed to be the first of its kind in the country to have all the facilities at one place for helicopters.

Chautala holds the portfolio of the Civil Aviation Department. He held a meeting on this proposal with senior officers of the Civil Aviation Department, Haryana State Industrial and Infrastructure Development Corporation (HSIIDC), Town and Country Planning, and other departments at his office on Tuesday.

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



17. Hints to Remember

Who: Kerala Arts & Crafts Village

What: wins international award

When: published on 8th January 2022

The Kerala Arts and Crafts Village near Kovalam has won the 2021 International Craft Award for the best craft village of the year.

The Kerala Arts and Crafts Village is an institution established by the Uralungal Labour Contract Co-operative Society for the state tourism department.

The international craft award aims at honouring organizations, councils, governments, teachers, artists, designers and individuals around the world who have made significant contributions to the sustainable and comprehensive development of the handicraft industry. The 'Kraf Komuniti Ku' craft village in Malaysia was selected as the best village for the previous year.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Indifi, Google Pay

What: join hands to offer instant digital credit to SMEs

When: published on 14th January 2022

Indifi Technologies has collaborated with Google Pay to provide instant loans to eligible small merchants on the Google Pay platform. The biggest challenge that most small business owners face is working capital management and the speed of securing capital to manage it. The collaboration aims to address this problem and help small merchants to meet their working capital needs.

The partnership is aligned to Indifi's differentiated ecosystem based approach to lending. Indifi has already partnered with many companies including Amazon, Zomato, Swiggy and more. It serves the MSMEs present on these ecosystem platforms, through embedded lending offerings. Indifi has been successful in bridging the credit gap of these underserved businesses by leveraging data and technology mitigating the underwriting challenges associated with MSMEs.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Odisha

What: teams up with WFP to improve food security, farmers' resilience

When: published on 14th January 2022

The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and the Odisha government have joined hands to improve the food security of small and marginal farmers by strengthening their resilience to climate change.

An agreement was signed by Agriculture Director Muthu Kumar and WFP Country Director Bishow Parajuli at a virtual programme on Thursday, the UN agency said in a release.

In a pilot initiative, advisories will be provided to small farmers of the state, which is particularly prone to cyclones, to help them adapt to impact of the climate crisis.

Small farmers, who constitute 90 per cent of the peasant community in Odisha, will be able to select the right agriculture and livelihood options to improve their food security and incomes, it said.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: 46 startups

What: declared winners of National Startup Awards 2021

When: published on 16th January 2022

Forty-six startups have been named the winners of the National Startup Awards 2021 along with incubator Access Livelihoods Foundation and accelerator India Accelerator. The winning startups include AgniKul Cosmos, Unnati Educare and Square Panda among others. The government received applications from 2,177 startups across 49 sub-sectors including agriculture, drinking water, education and fintech.

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





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