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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 19

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

1. Ministry of Textiles has recently cleared 20 strategic research projects worth \_\_\_\_\_ in the areas of Specialty fibers and Geotextiles under the chairmanship of Union Minister of Textiles, Piyush Goyal, informed the Ministry of Textiles.

- A. Rs 25 crores                      B. Rs 15 crores                      C. Rs 20 crores  
D. Rs 30 crores                      E. None of these

2. Markets regulator SEBI has cut the timeline for filing settlement applications to just \_\_\_\_\_ from the current 180 days in its effort to make the system more efficient.

- A. 30 days                              B. 45 days                              C. 90 days  
D. 60 days                              E. None of these

3. Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited (TPREL) has commissioned two Solar Power projects of 100 MW in which state?

- A. Gujarat                              B. Jharkhand                              C. Uttar Pradesh  
D. Andhra Pradesh                      E. None of these

4. According to the ILO World Employment and Social Outlook – Trends 2022, Global unemployment is projected to stand at \_\_\_\_\_ in 2022

- A. 199 million                              B. 207 million                              C. 213 million  
D. 191 million                              E. None of these

5. Toshiki Kaifu passed away recently. He was former prime minister of which country?

- A. South Korea                              B. China                              C. Malaysia  
D. Japan                              E. None of these



**6. Which mutual fund company has announced the new fund offer (NFO) of Global Innovation Fund of Fund, which invests in a mix of active and passive international funds?**

- A. HDFC Mutual Fund      B. SBI Mutual Fund      C. DSP Mutual Fund  
D. Tata Mutual Fund      E. None of these

**7. Who among the following was crowned as 'Mrs World 2022'?**

- A. Shaylyn Ford      B. Kate Schneider      C. Debanjali Kamstra  
D. Navneet Kaur      E. None of these

**8. Who among the following has recently won a gold medal at the International Folk Art Festival in Dubai?**

- A. Ankit Lokhande      B. Sumit Bhale      C. Subhash Athabale  
D. Rajesh Mishra      E. None of these

**9. Which organization has recently released a report called "Inequality Kills"?**

- A. British Heart Foundation      B. Save the Children      C. Amnesty International  
D. Oxfam International      E. None of these

**10. How many cities have won the award for the Streets for People Challenge, organized by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)?**

- A. 14      B. 11      C. 17  
D. 20      E. None of these

**11. The National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) and the National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) have signed a memorandum of understanding to promote inclusive good governance. NIRD&PR is located in which city?**

- A. Chennai      B. Mumbai      C. Hyderabad  
D. Kochi      E. None of these



**12. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology is organizing \_\_\_\_\_ CISO Deep Dive Training program under Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative.**

- A. 21st                                      B. 26th                                      C. 29th  
D. 32nd                                      E. None of these

**13. The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) has recently launched its \_\_\_\_\_ bi-monthly E-Newsletter.**

- A. Second                                      B. Third                                      C. First  
D. Fourth                                      E. None of these

**14. Which company has recently launched 'ClickPay' in collaboration with NPCI Bharat BillPay Ltd. (NBBL)?**

- A. Paytm                                      B. Freecharge                                      C. MobiKwik  
D. PhonePe                                      E. None of these

**15. Which company has recently entered into a co-lending partnership with Canara Bank to provide low-cost business loans of up to ₹10 lakh to micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) across the country?**

- A. Lendingkart                                      B. Paytm                                      C. Pine Labs  
D. HDFC Bank                                      E. None of these

**16. Who among the following has recently inaugurated Madhavbaug's (Vaidya Sane Ayurved Labs Ltd), Power MAP?**

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

**17. Which company has agreed to buy Com Tec Co IT Ltd (CTC), a software solutions and service provider with development centres in Latvia and Belarus, for €310 million (around ₹2,620 crore)?**

- A. Tata Consultancy Services                                      B. HCL Technologies                                      C. Tech Mahindra  
D. Wipro Limited                                      E. None of these

**18. Which state has recently signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) with Formula E?**

- A. Odisha                      B. Tamil Nadu                      C. Kerala  
D. Andhra Pradesh              E. None of these

**19. Which city is all set to celebrate the Paryaya Mahotsava on January 18?**

- A. Udupi                      B. Mangalore                      C. Chennai  
D. Kochi                      E. None of these

**20. Who among the following has recently won the Best National Costume Award at Mrs World 2022 pageant?**

- A. Navdeep Kaur                      B. Manasa Varanasi                      C. Manushi Chhillar  
D. Suman Rao                      E. None of these



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**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:** Ministry of Textiles

**What:** clears 20 strategic projects worth Rs 30 crore

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Ministry of Textiles on Monday cleared 20 strategic research projects worth Rs 30 crores in the areas of Specialty fibres and Geotextiles under the chairmanship of Union Minister of Textiles, Piyush Goyal, informed the Ministry of Textiles.

As per the ministry, these strategic research projects fall under the Flagship Programme 'National Technical Textiles Mission.'

Amongst the 20 Research projects, 16 projects of Specialty fibres were cleared including 5 projects in Healthcare, 4 projects in Industrial and Protective, 3 projects in Energy Storage, 3 projects in Textile waste recycling, and 1 in Agriculture and 4 projects in Geotextiles (Infrastructure) were cleared, said the ministry.

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

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** SEBI

**What:** reduces timeline for filing settlement application to 60 days

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Markets regulator Sebi has cut the timeline for filing settlement applications to just 60 days from the current 180 days in its effort to make the system more efficient.

Currently, a settlement application can be filed within 60 days of the date of receipt of the show-cause notice. However, an additional 120 days can be availed by the applicants in case they pay an additional 25% over the settlement charges.

Now, the regulator has done away with the additional time provision of 120 days, according to a notification.

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

### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Tata Power Renewable Energy

**What:** commissions 100 MW solar projects in UP

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited (TPREL) on Monday said that it has commissioned two Solar Power projects of 50 MW each at Prayagraj, and Banda in Uttar Pradesh.

The projects have been completed by TPREL, 100% subsidiary of Tata Power. The plants are expected to generate more than 221.26 million units annually.

The company said approximately 1,59,600 modules were used in the project at Prayagraj and the installation is expected to reduce 91,137 lakh tons of carbon emission every year.

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

### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Global unemployment

**What:** to reach 207 million in 2022: ILO

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Global unemployment is projected to stand at 207 million in 2022. This is 21 million more than in 2019 before the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic began, according to the ILO World Employment and Social Outlook – Trends 2022.

Global working hours in 2022 will be almost two per cent below their pre-pandemic level — that is equivalent to the loss of 52 million full-time jobs. This deficit is twice as large as the ILO's forecast in May last year, according to the Outlook released by the ILO January 17, 2022.

The downgrade in the 2022 forecast reflects the impact of ever new variants of COVID-19 on the world of work, according to the Outlook.

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

### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Former Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu

**What:** dies at 91

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



Toshiki Kaifu, who was Japan's prime minister for about two years from 1989, died earlier this month, the government said Friday. He was 91.

Kaifu, best known for sending the Maritime Self-Defense Force to the Persian Gulf in 1991, died Sunday of natural causes, the House of Representatives said.

"He dedicated himself to tackling many policy challenges amid a turbulent international situation, including the outbreak of the Persian Gulf War," Chief Cabinet Secretary Hirokazu Matsuno said in offering condolences during a regular news conference.

Kaifu, who loved wearing a polka-dot necktie, was close to former Prime Minister Takeo Miki and had an image of being politically clean.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** DSP Mutual Fund

**What:** to launch global innovation fund of funds

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2022

DSP Mutual Fund announced the new fund offer (NFO) of DSP Global Innovation Fund of Fund, which invests in a mix of active and passive international funds.

The key investment theme would be identifying companies that have innovative thinking and potential to succeed in the long term.

These include emerging innovation themes like metaverse, semiconductors, blockchain, 5G, gene technology, AI, space exploration, EVs and robotics.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mrs America Shaylyn Ford

**What:** crowned Mrs World 2022

**When:** published on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022

All the eyes were on the screens when Mrs America, Shaylyn Ford, was crowned as 'Mrs World 2022' in the recently concluded beauty pageant. The finale of the beauty pageant was held in Nevada, Las Vegas on January 15 (January 16 as per the Indian time zone). While Ford clinched the title in her home country, Mrs Jordan and Mrs UAE were declared as the runner ups, respectively.



The 37-year-old winner, Shaylyn Ford, beat 57 contestants to clinch the crown. Hailing from Granville, Ohio, she was crowned by the former pageant winner, Mrs World 2020, Kate Schneider. Mrs World 2022, Shaylyn Ford, opted for a spectacular white gown with one sleeve with silver accents and a thigh-high slit. To complete her finale look, Ford kept her tresses open with beach curls and accessorised it with long silver earrings.

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

## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Sumit Bhale

**What:** won gold medal at the International Folk Art Festival

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Lavni artist from Maharashtra, Sumit Bhale of Fulbari taluka has won a gold medal at the International Folk Art Festival in Dubai. With his splendid performance, Maharashtra's splendour has been widely appreciated at the international platform. Lavani is a genre of music popular in Maharashtra and is a combination of traditional song and dance, which is particularly performed to the beats of Dholki, a percussion instrument.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Oxfam International

**What:** releases 'Inequality Kills' report

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The latest press release by Oxfam International on January 17, 2022, states that since the COVID-19 pandemic, the world's ten richest men have doubled their fortunes while incomes of 99 per cent of humanity fell.

According to the press release, the world's ten richest men have more than doubled their wealth from \$700 billion to \$1.5 trillion, which is at a rate of \$15,000 per second or \$1.3 billion per day in the first two years of the pandemic. However, more than 160 million people were pushed into poverty during this time.

Gabriela Bucher, Oxfam International's Executive Director, had said, "If these ten men were to lose 99.999 per cent of their wealth tomorrow, they would still be richer than 99 per cent of all the people on this planet. They now have six times more wealth than the poorest 3.1 billion people."

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** MoHUA

**What:** announces winners of Streets for People Challenge

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) organised an online event wherein it announced eleven winning cities for the Streets for People Challenge, and ten winning cities for the pilot stage of the Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge. These cities will now enter the scale up stage of the challenge wherein the projects undertaken in the pilot stage will now be scaled up in a sustainable manner. At the event, the Ministry also launched Season-2 of India Cycles4Change and Streets for People Challenges and a book titled 'Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge: Stories from the Field'.

The event was chaired by Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, MoHUA. The participants included global and Indian officials from partner organisations who had conducted the challenge, representatives from winning cities, officials from Central and State Governments, including CEOs of 100 Smart Cities.

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** NCGG

**What:** signs MoU with Hyderabad-based institute to promote inclusive good governance

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

The National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) here and the Hyderabad-based National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) have signed a memorandum of understanding to promote inclusive good governance, a statement issued on Tuesday said.

The main purpose of this agreement, signed on Monday, is to focus on different collaborative activities by drawing upon the strengths of these two national institutions for bringing better good governance mechanisms into practice across all programmes and schemes.

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

## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** MeitY

**What:** organises 26th CISO Deep Dive Training program under Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology is organising 26th CISO Deep Dive Training program under Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative. The training is aimed to equip participants with better understanding of emerging cyber threat landscape, understand best practices in cyber security.

The program which began on Monday will continue till 22nd of January. It will cover topics such as Governance Risk and Compliance and Data Privacy, Network Security, End Point Security, Application and Data Security, Cloud Security, Mobile Security, Cryptography, Cyber Security related provisions in IT Act.

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

### 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** DEPwD

**What:** launches its first bi-monthly E-Newsletter on 18 January

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) (DEPwD) is going to launch its first bi-monthly E-Newsletter during the inauguration of main building of Composite Regional Centre for Skill Development, Rehabilitation & Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (CRC), Kozhikode on 18th January, 2022 at 4:00 PM virtually by Dr. Virendra Kumar, Hon'ble Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India. Smt. Anjali Bhawara, Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, Dr. Prabodh Seth, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India, Shri Nachiketa Rout, Director, NIEPMD, Chennai will also be present during the function.

The function is being organized at CRC Campus at Chevayur, Kozhikode, Kerala.

The E-Newsletter will be helpful in continuity of flow of information and to bridge the gap with our target audience. It would be a gateway to know our department's activities. It will also keep track of the performance of our different Schemes.

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

### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** MobiKwik

**What:** launches 'ClickPay' in collaboration with Bharat BillPay

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Fintech major MobiKwik has launched 'ClickPay' in collaboration with NPCI Bharat BillPay Ltd. (NBBL). NPCI Bharat BillPay is a wholly owned subsidiary of National Payments Corporation of India.

Through ClickPay, customers can pay recurring online bills (such as mobile, gas, water, electricity, DTH, insurance, and loan EMIs) without the need to remember individual bill details and due dates.

Chandan Joshi, Co-Founder, and CEO, Consumer Payments, MobiKwik said, "Our partnership with NPCI Bharat BillPay is a testament to our commitment to providing best in class bill payment experience to our 120 million customers."

Noopur Chaturvedi, CEO, NPCI Bharat BillPay Ltd (NBBL) said, "We are glad to launch the ClickPay facility with MobiKwik. We believe this initiative will offer a memorable transaction experience to MobiKwik customers for all their bill payments backed up by enhanced convenience and safety."

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

## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Canara Bank, Lendingkart

**What:** tie up to offer up to ₹10 lakh loan to MSMEs online

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Fintech company Lendingkart on Tuesday announced that it has entered into a co-lending partnership with Canara Bank to provide low-cost business loans of up to ₹10 lakh to micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) across the country. The loans will be provided with fast turnaround time for approvals powered by "Lendingkart 2gthr" platform using 'zero touch' technology, Lendingkart said in its statement.

Canara Bank said through this alliance it aims to broaden its reach to support MSME borrowers to enhance financial inclusion under the Reserve Bank's Priority Sector initiative.

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

## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Nitin Gadkari

**What:** inaugurates Madhavbaug's Power MAP, India's first Intelligent Chronic Disease Patients Habit Tracking System

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari, on 15th January 2022, inaugurated Madhavbaug's (Vaidya Sane Ayurved Labs Ltd), Power MAP, in a ceremony that was held digitally.

Power MAP is a medical analytics application developed by Madhavbaug under the trusted leadership of their CEO, Dr Rohit Sane. The application is built for doctors to help them get necessary medical intelligence regarding a patient's clinical parameters to reverse their chronic diseases effectively.

The Power MAP application integrates various medical services like pathology labs, dietitians, exercise experts, stress counsellors and other specialised consultants who follow a synergistic approach to support the doctor to help improve the health outcomes of patients - all at a click of a button.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Tech Mahindra

**What:** to acquire European firm Com Tec Co IT for ₹2,620 cr

**When:** published on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Tech Mahindra Ltd said on Monday it has agreed to buy Com Tec Co IT Ltd (CTC), a software solutions and service provider with development centres in Latvia and Belarus, for €310 million (around ₹2,620 crore).

The acquisition, which includes earnouts and synergy-linked payouts, will allow Tech Mahindra to expand its offerings to high-end digital engineering services for some of the largest insurance, re-insurance and financial services clients in the world, it said.

Tech Mahindra is also investing a total of €20 million for a 25% ownership in SWFT and Surance platforms, two InsurTech ventures funded by CTC.

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

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Telangana

**What:** signs Lol with Formula E to host World Championship

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Formula E, the most prominent name in the electric car racing space, signed an agreement with the Government of Telangana to make Hyderabad a host city.

Although ideated just 10 years ago in 2011 and the first race held in 2014, its viewership per race is more than half of Formula 1 and is increasing every year quite rapidly. Currently, Formula E boasts of a cumulative viewership of 500 million. Currently, there are more than 20 cities that are being considered for a chance to host a Formula E street race.

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



## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Udupi

**What:** is set for paryaya mahotsava on January 18

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Amidst the shadow of the pandemic, Udupi is all set to celebrate the paryaya mahotsava in a simple manner on January 18.

Paryaya denotes the transfer of power of the exclusive right of worshipping Lord Krishna and managing Sri Krishna Mutt/Temple from one seer to another seer of the Ashta Mutts once in two years. The present one (2022-24) is the 251th paryaya. The biennial paryaya system began in 1522.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India's Navdeep Kaur

**What:** Wins Best National Costume At Mrs World 2022

**When:** published on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Mrs India Navdeep Kaur won the round for Best National Costume at the Mrs World 2022 pageant in Las Vegas, USA. Navdeep Kaur represented India at the international stage after winning the title of Mrs India World in 2021. For the National Costume round of Mrs World 2022, she wore an all-gold outfit conceptualised, designed and created by Eggie Jasmin.

The "avant garde" outfit was inspired by Kundalini Chakra, which "symbolises the movement of energy in chakras of the body from the base to the spine up through the crown". Cobra embellishments on the shoulder were added to represent the "mystical serpent native to India", while the golden colour was chosen as it represents novelty, power and glory.

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





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