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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 20

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

1. Which edition of National Women's Ice Hockey Championship started at the Kaza rink of Himachal Pradesh's Spiti valley with the participation of six teams?

- A. 10th B. 11th C. 9th
D. 8th E. None of these

2. Who among the following has become the first Black woman to appear on the US quarter, in a new version of the coin unveiled by the US Mint?

- A. Maya Angelou B. Guy Johnson C. Cicely Tyson
D. Enistastious Tosh E. None of these

3. Which country has launched its first satellite constellation developed entirely in the continent of Africa, a move hailed by the country's Science and Innovation Minister Blade Nzimande as a milestone?

- A. Nigeria B. Kenya C. Ghana
D. Ethiopia E. None of these

4. Who among the following has recently launched the Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar (SVP) 2021 – 2022?

- A. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh B. John Barla C. Shantanu Thakur
D. Subhas Sarkar E. None of these

5. With focus on improving the existing infrastructure and the quality of education in government schools, which state government is all set to launch 'Mana Ooru-Mana Badi' programme soon across the State?

- A. Andhra Pradesh B. Telangana C. Gujarat
D. Maharashtra E. None of these



6. Which of the following companies has recently acquired about 55 per cent stake in robotics firm Addverb Technologies in July 2021?

- A. Big Bazaar B. Bigbasket C. Easy Day
D. Reliance Retail E. None of these

7. Which company backed by Ascent Capital, has received approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) to raise funds through a public listing?

- A. Secure Value India Ltd
B. Radiant Cash Management Services Ltd
C. Alps Insurance Advisors Private Ltd
D. Redian Solution Pvt Ltd
E. None of these

8. Who among the following has been appointed as the chairman and managing director (CMD) of Air India Limited?

- A. Sanjay Kumar Mishra B. Vikram Dev Dutt C. Aditya Nath Singh
D. Chanchal Kumar Verma E. None of these

9. Who among the following has been appointed as the next Vice Chief of Army Staff?

- A. Manoj Pande B. Yogesh Kumar Joshi C. Nav Kumar Khanduri
D. Yogendra Dimri E. None of these

10. Which of the following countries will host five events in 2022 as decided in the 15th meeting of the BRICS Science Technology Innovation (STI) Steering Committee recently?

- A. China B. Brazil C. South Africa
D. India E. None of these

11. Name the person who created bengali comic characters 'Bantul The Great', 'Handa Bhonda' and 'Nonte Phonte', passed away recently.

- A. Narayan Debnath B. Hrishikesh Mukherjee C. Narayan Gangopadhyay
D. Rajinder Singh Bedi E. None of these

12. Who among the following has been appointed as the President of Bombay Industries Association (BIA)?

- A. Narendra Bedi B. Bimal Dutta C. Nevil Sanghvi
D. Dev Kishan E. None of these

13. National Disaster Response Force Raising Day has recently been observed on which date?

- A. January 20 B. January 19 C. January 18
D. January 17 E. None of these

14. Who among the following has been appointed as Additional Secretary in Labor and Employment Ministry?

- A. Shashank Goel B. Avinash Mukherjee C. Vikram Singh Chauhan
D. Shakti Anand E. None of these

15. Who among the following has been chosen as only the third woman to head the European Parliament?

- A. Roberta Metsola B. Miriam Dalli C. Sira Rego
D. Alice Bah Kuhnke E. None of these

16. Which organization has recently launched Saa᳚thi, a mobile app on investor education?

- A. Reserve Bank of India
B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
C. National Securities Depository Limited
D. Ministry of Corporate Affairs
E. None of these

17. Who among the following has recently won the FIFA Best Men's Player award for 2021?

- A. Robert Lewandowski B. Erling Haaland C. Lionel Messi
D. Zlatan Ibrahimović E. None of these



18. A giant icefish breeding colony was recently discovered in _____.

- A. Sargasso Sea B. Ross Sea C. Amundsen Sea
D. Weddell Sea E. None of these

19. Which of the following companies has recently launched Leap Ahead and Leap Innovation Network program?

- A. Myntra B. Flipkart C. Meesho
D. Snapdeal E. None of these

20. Which bank and Equirus Wealth have together launched a 'US dollar offshore fund' for their customers?

- A. Federal Bank B. DBS Bank C. RBL Bank
D. YES Bank 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
C	A	E	D	B	D	B	B	A	D	A	C	B	A	A	B	A	D	B	A

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Women's ninth ice hockey nationals

What: started at Kaza rink

When: published on 17th January 2022

The ninth National Women's Ice Hockey Championship started at the Kaza rink of Himachal Pradesh's Spiti valley on Sunday with the participation of six teams.

Chief minister Jai Ram Thakur inaugurated the event. Teams from Himachal Pradesh, Ladakh, Delhi, Chandigarh, Telangana, and ITBP will compete for the cup at an altitude of 12,000 feet. Himachal Pradesh is host for the first time.

The tournament started with traditional welcome of the players and folk dance on ice. In the opening match, Delhi defeated the hosts 4-0, while Chandigarh beat Telangana 1-0 in a close fought match. Kaza is below -20 degrees Celsius at night and below -5°C during the day, a perfect setting for winter sport.

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

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Poet Maya Angelou

What: becomes first Black woman to appear on US coin

When: published on 12th January 2022

Poet and activist Maya Angelou has become the first Black woman to appear on the US quarter, in a new version of the coin unveiled by the US Mint.

Angelou, author of "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings," will also be the first figure commemorated through the American Women Quarters Program, which was signed into law in January 2021.

The US Mint "has begun shipping the first coins" with Angelou's likeness on the American quarter, a 25-cent piece, according to a press release from the agency.

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

3. Hints to Remember

Who: South Africa

What: Launches 1st 'made In Africa' Satellites Under SpaceX's Transporter-3 Mission

When: published on 14th January 2022

South Africa has launched its first satellite constellation developed entirely in the continent of Africa, a move hailed by the country's Science and Innovation Minister Blade Nzimande as a milestone. Three locally produced nanosatellites, which made up the country's first Maritime Domain Awareness Satellite (MDASat) constellation, were launched from Cape Canaveral in the United States on Thursday as part of American aerospace company SpaceX's Transporter-3 mission.

Transporter-3, SpaceX's third dedicated rideshare mission, carried a total of 105 spacecraft for various organisations and governments, including CubeSats, microsats, PocketQubes and orbital transfer vehicles.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Subhas Sarkar

What: launches Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar

When: published on 13th January 2022

Minister of State for Education Subhas Sarkar launched the Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar (SVP) 2021 - 2022 virtually while stressing on the importance of water sanitation, and hygiene and the role these factors play in determining the health of the students, attendance, drop out rate, and learning outcomes. He added that having the provision of water, sanitation and hygiene facilities in schools secures a healthy school environment and protects children from illness and exclusion.

Elucidating further, the Minister of state stressed that the Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar recognises, inspires and awards schools who have undertaken exemplary work in the field of water, sanitation and hygiene while also providing a benchmark and a roadmap for schools to make further improvements in future.

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

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Telangana

What: to launch 'Mana Ooru-Mana Badi' to strengthen govt schools

When: published on 17th January 2022

With focus on improving the existing infrastructure and the quality of education in government schools, the State government is all set to launch 'Mana Ooru-Mana Badi' programme soon across the State. The State Cabinet on Monday approved a budgetary allocation of Rs 7,289 crore to strengthen government schools in the State as part of the programme.

The State Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao at Pragathi Bhavan on Monday, took a slew of measures to strengthen the education system in the State. In line with the growing demand from parents, the Cabinet decided to bring in a new legislation for regulation of fee in private schools, junior and degree colleges as well as introduce English medium in government schools from next academic year.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Reliance Retail

What: acquires about 55% stake in Addverb Technologies

When: published on 19th January 2022

Reliance Retail had acquired about 55 per cent stake in robotics firm Addverb Technologies in July 2021, Indian conglomerate Reliance Industries Limited said in a filing on Wednesday.

Addverb Technologies co-founder and CEO Sangeet Kumar has told PTI that Reliance Retail has invested USD 132 million (about Rs 983 crore) in the company and will hold around 54 per cent stake in the robotics start-up.

"Reliance Retail Ventures Limited (RRVL) had acquired approximately 55 per cent stake in Addverb Technologies Private Limited (Addverb) in July 2021," RIL said in the filing.

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Radiant CMS

What: receives SEBI approval for IPO

When: published on 18th January 2022

Radiant Cash Management Services Ltd, backed by Ascent Capital, has received approval from the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) to raise funds through a public listing.

The Chennai-based firm intends to issue up to ₹60 crore worth of fresh shares, while existing shareholders may sell up to 30.13 million equity shares in the initial public offering (IPO).



The offer for sale (OFS) will comprise sale of up to 10.13 million shares by Col. David Devasahayam, Radiant Capital's founder, and up to 20 million shares by Ascent Capital Advisors India, a private equity firm.

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Vikram Dev Dutt

What: takes over as Air India chief

When: published on 18th January 2022

Senior bureaucrat Vikram Dev Dutt has been appointed as the chairman and managing director of Air India Ltd as part of a senior-level bureaucratic reshuffle effected by the Centre.

Dutt is a 1993-batch IAS officer of AGMUT (Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram and Union Territory) cadre.

He has been appointed as the Air India chief in the rank and pay of Additional Secretary, an order issued by the Personnel Ministry said.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Lt General Manoj Pande

What: appointed as next Army Vice Chief

When: published on 18th January 2022

Even as the appointment of the next Chief of Defence Staff is awaited, the Government on Tuesday approved the proposal for appointment of Eastern Army Commander Lieutenant General Manoj Pande as the next Vice Chief of Army Staff, sources said on Tuesday.

The Eastern Army Commander will be the next Army Vice Chief, sources told ANI.

General Pande would be the successor to Lt Gen CP Mohanty who is scheduled to superannuate on January 31.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: BRICS STI Steering Committee meeting

What: decides India will host 5 events



When: published on 19th January 2022

India will host five events in 2022, namely BRICS Startups Forum meeting, Working Groups meetings on Energy; Biotechnology & Biomedicine; ICT & High-Performance Computing; STIEP (Science, Technology, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship Partnership) Working Group Meeting and the launching of BRICS innovation Launchpad as a microsite (Knowledge Hub). The decision was taken at the 15th meeting of the BRICS Science Technology Innovation (STI) Steering Committee, the Science and Technology ministry said in a statement.

At the virtual meeting, the calendar of BRICS STI activities and expected deliverables were discussed. India has successfully handed over the BRICS Chairmanship to China from January 2022. The theme for BRICS 2022 is “Foster High-Quality BRICS Partnership Usher in a New Era for Global Development”. A series of sectoral events and meetings, including Minister level and BRICS Summit, will be held this year.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Veteran Cartoonist Narayan Debnath, creator of 'Bantul The Great',

What: passed away

When: published on 18th January 2022

Cartoonist Narayan Debnath, the creator of Bengali comic characters 'Bantul The Great', 'Handa Bhonda' and 'Nonte Phonte', died in Kolkata on Tuesday morning after a prolonged illness, said the hospital where he was undergoing treatment.

He was 97 and survived by two sons, a daughter and a granddaughter.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Nevil Sanghvi

What: has been appointed as the President of Bombay Industries Association (BIA)

When: published on 18th January 2022

Bombay Industries Association (BIA), one of India's most renowned and prestigious business associations, today had its 58th Installation Ceremony. BIA which is stepping into its 75th year, witnessed last year's President Mr. Sanjay Shah handing over the office to Mr. Nevil Sanghvi during the ceremony. The event, held in Mumbai, also witnessed several virtual participants, who enthusiastically cheered for the new appointment. Mr. Anil Agarwal, Chairman of Vedanta Resources Ltd was the Chief Guest and Mr. Bharat Goenka, Vice Chairperson of Tally Solutions Pvt. Ltd; Mr. Jay Shah, Secretary BCCI & Ms. Megha Tata, MD, South Asia, Discovery Communication India were the Guest of Honors.

Mr. Nevil Sanghvi in his acceptance speech introduced numerous projects and presented a new roadmap for BIA with a greater emphasis on innovation and inclusion. He highlighted that BIA's objective for the year 2022 is to be innovative and create new and meaningful opportunities with various stakeholders.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: National Disaster Response Force Raising Day 2022

What: was observed on 19th January 2022

National Disaster Response Force Raising Day 2022: The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Raising Day is annually marked on January 19. The NDRF was formed on this day in 2006. It is a specialised, multi-skilled, humanitarian force in India, which has been playing a crucial role in the country's disaster management and community awareness for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). In a first, The NDRF inducted a batch of 100 women disaster combatants and rescuers last year. The team, deployed to the banks of river Ganga in Garhmukteshwar town, Hapur district of Uttar Pradesh, were trained as complete rescuers. Every NDRF battalion is sanctioned to have 108 women combatants.

The successive natural calamities from 1990 to 2004 led to the enactment of the Disaster Management Act on December 26, 2005. The result was the formation of the National Disaster Response Force. This was set up to lay down the plans, policies, and guidelines for disaster management.

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Shashank Goel

What: appointed as Additional Secretary in Labor and Employment Ministry

When: published on 19th January 2022

Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Shashank Goel, IAS of 90 batch as Additional Secretary in Ministry of Labour and Employment. Shailesh Kumar Singh, IAS of 91 batch has been appointed as Additional Secretary and Development Commissioner, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

Manish Kumar Gupta who is presently Principal Commissioner, Delhi Development Authority, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has been appointed as Vice-Chairman, Delhi Development Authority in the rank of Additional Secretary.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Roberta Metsola

What: elected new President of the European Parliament

When: published on 17th January 2022

Roberta Metsola won the election in the first voting round, where she received an absolute majority of 458 votes out of 690 cast in the remote secret vote, among three candidates. At the beginning of the day's proceedings, Kosma Złotowski (ECR, PL) withdrew his candidacy, bringing the number of candidates down to three.

President Metsola will lead the Parliament in the second half of the current legislative term, until a new Parliament is constituted following the 2024 European Elections.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: SEBI

What: launches Saa᳚thi mobile app on investor education, will be helpful in accessing recent market developments

When: published on 20th January 2022

Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has launched Saa᳚thi, a mobile app on investor education. The new app aims to empower investors with accurate knowledge about the securities market.

Addressing the launch event in Mumbai, SEBI Chairman Ajai Tyagi said, the app will cater largely to individual investors, who have recently entered the markets and carry out trading via their mobile phones. Hoping that the app will be popular among young investors in the times to come, Mr. Tyagi said, the app will be helpful in easily accessing all the relevant information like the basic concepts of Securities Market, KYC Process, trading and settlement, mutual funds, recent market developments, investor grievances redressal mechanism, etc. It is currently available in Hindi and English. The Android and iOS versions of the App can be downloaded from Play Store and App Store respectively.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Robert Lewandowski

What: wins FIFA Best Men's player

When: published on 18th January 2022

Bayern Munich's Polish striker Robert Lewandowski won the FIFA Best Men's Player award for 2021 with Barcelona's Spanish midfielder Alexia Putellas winning the FIFA Best Women's Player prize at Monday's ceremony.

The prolific Lewandowski won the award for the second straight year after a season in which he beat Gerd Mueller's 49-year old record of 40 goals in a single Bundesliga campaign.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Largest fish nursery

What: discovered beneath Weddell Sea in Antarctica

When: published on 13th January 2022

Scientists onboard an icebreaker in Antarctica were blown away when they spied a trove of 60 million icefish nests dotting the floor of the Weddell Sea. The bonanza of nurseries — each guarded by a ghostly looking parent — represents the largest known breeding colony of fish.

Autun Purser of the Alfred Wegener Institute was on the bridge of the German icebreaker, called the RV Polarstern, keeping watch for whales when his graduate student, Lilian Böhringer, who was monitoring the camera feed called up to the bridge. One of the ship's missions was to monitor the seafloor of the Weddell Sea, and specifically, Böhringer was watching a live video feed from the Ocean Floor Observation and Bathymetry System (OFOBS), which is a one-ton camera towed behind the ship.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Flipkart

What: launches Leap Ahead and Leap Innovation Network startup programmes

When: published on 17th January 2022

E-commerce firm Flipkart announced the evolution of its flagship startup accelerator programme, Flipkart Leap, to identify wider and relevant market opportunities for its selected startups. After the successful completion of the first cohort of the programme, Flipkart Leap will now evolve into two new programmes - Flipkart Leap Ahead (FLA) and Flipkart Leap Innovation Network (FLIN). The Flipkart Leap launch coincides with National Startup Day, a day recognised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently to help startup culture spread better across India.

Designed to cater to the dynamic needs of startups across different stages, these two programmes--FLA and FLIN--will support the startups insights, mentorship and funding as needed, while helping them scale and build disruptive innovations. With the introduction of these programs, the startup ecosystem will be able to access end-to-end partnerships with Flipkart across their growth stages.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Federal Bank and Equirus Wealth

What: have together launched a 'US dollar offshore fund' for their customers

When: published on 19th January 2022

Federal Bank in association with Equirus Wealth launched 'US Dollar Offshore Fund' exclusively for their customers, the company announced.

This is in collaboration with SCUBE Capital, a global fund management company based out of Singapore, a press release said.

Both NRI and Resident customers of Federal Bank can invest in this fund that offers a portfolio return (IRR) guidance of USD 6.50 per cent per annum with a fund tenor of 3 years from the date of fund closure with an option to extend by 1 year.

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





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