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# Current Affairs Questions for CGL Tier 1, CLAT, IBPS Clerk, RRB Assistant and SBI Clerk Exams

## January GA Quiz 31

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

**1. International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust was recently observed on which of the following dates?**

- A. January 29                      B. January 28                      C. January 27  
D. January 30                      E. None of these

**2. Which of the following organizations has recently launched portal for searching missing persons and check police records of any vehicle and generate a no-objection certificate (NOC) for it from a countrywide database?**

- A. National Crime Records Bureau  
B. Bureau of Police Research and Development  
C. National Investigation Agency  
D. National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science  
E. None of these

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ has recently signed a licensing agreement with Intercontinental Exchange (ICE) Futures Europe, an operator of global exchanges and clearing houses.**

- A. Calcutta Stock Exchange                      B. National Stock Exchange  
C. Bombay Stock Exchange                      D. Bangalore Stock Exchange  
E. None of these

**4. Who among the following was recently appointed as the member of the Monetary Policy Committee by the Reserve Bank of India?**

- A. Manik Singh                      B. Janak Raj                      C. Vipul Pathak  
D. Manoj Kumar Singh                      E. None of these

**5. Indian Railways' Central Railway zone is all set to introduce its first AC local train. The train will be flagged off from \_\_\_\_\_ .**

- A. New Delhi                      B. Chennai                      C. Mumbai  
D. Kolkata                      E. None of these

**6. Who among the following has recently laid the foundation stone of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Centre at Kevadia in Gujarat?**

- A. Nirmala Sitharaman                      B. Ajit Doval  
C. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar                      D. Ramesh Pokhriyal  
E. None of these

**7. Which of the following state governments is going to roll out 365 day work scheme with 5,000 stipend?**

- A. Uttar Pradesh                      B. Jharkhand                      C. Madhya Pradesh  
D. Chhattisgarh                      E. None of these

**8. On 28th January 2020, who among the following has been appointed as new foreign secretary?**

- A. Navtej Sarna                      B. Vijay Keshav Gokhale  
C. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar                      D. Harsh Vardhan Shringla  
E. None of these

**9. Who among the following was conferred the honorary Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) by his alma mater Calcutta University at its annual convocation in Kolkata?**

- A. Michael Kremer                      B. Abhijit Vinayak Banerjee                      C. Amartya Sen  
D. Sendhil Mullainathan                      E. None of these

**10. Which of the following organizations has recently approached National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for offering its 'waste plastic-to-road' technology that uses end-of-life plastic for road construction?**

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D. Adani                      E. None of these

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**Correct answer:**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
C	A	C	B	C	C	C	D	B	C

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust

**What:** is observed on 27 January

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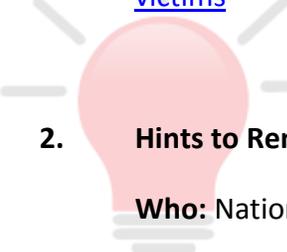
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Many Jewish groups, particularly in Israel, also observe Yom HaShoah, which is a day of mourning for Holocaust victims on 27th day of the Hebrew month of Nisan, which falls in April or May of the Gregorian calendar.

**For the complete information kindly visit given link:**

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/commemoration-of-holocaust-victims>



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<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/politics-and-nation/ncrb-launches-portal-for-searching-missing-persons-check-police-record-of-vehicles/articleshow/73741256.cms>

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<https://www.thehindubusinessline.com/markets/commodities/bse-signs-licensing-agreement-with-ice-futures-europe/article30665004.ece>

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<https://www.livemint.com/news/india/rbi-appoints-janak-raj-as-member-of-mpc-11580309519021.html>

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<https://www.livemint.com/news/india/mumbai-local-train-central-railway-s-first-ac-suburban-train-to-start-today-indian-railways-11580324146247.html>

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<http://www.newsonair.com/News?title=S-Jaishankar-lays-foundation-stone-of-Sardar-Vallabhbhai-Patel-Centre-at-Kevadia-in-Gujarat&id=379519>

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**For the complete information kindly visit given link:**

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/bhopal/nath-govt-to-roll-out-365-day-work-scheme-rs-5k-stipend-for-jobless/articleshow/73745831.cms>

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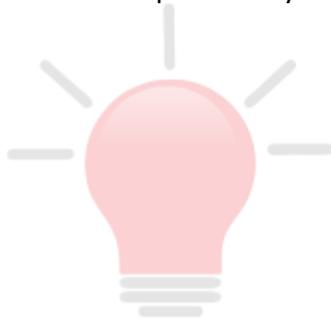
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