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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

## July GA Quiz 11

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

1. Toni Kroos retired from international football, is from which of the following countries?

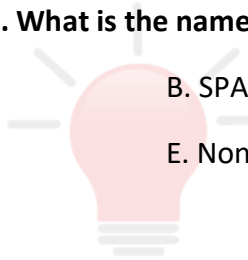
- A. Brazil                                      B. Germany                                      C. Canada  
D. France                                      E. None of these

2. Which of the following tested fire 'HELMA-P' Laser-Powered Anti-Drone System?

- A. Germany                                      B. Canada                                      C. France  
D. Israel                                      E. None of these

3. Ministry of Defence has implemented web-based integrated system for sanction & disbursement of defence pension. What is the name of it?

- A. ARJUN                                      B. SPARSH                                      C. DHRUVA  
D. VARUNA                                      E. None of these



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4. Who among the following has recently appointed new Managing Director of National High Speed Rail Corporation?

- A. Vinod Ganguli                                      B. Vipin Da Bose                                      C. Satish Agnihotri  
D. Aniket Mukherji                                      E. None of these

5. Which West Indies cricketer has been named as the Brand Ambassador of Fun88?

- A. Andre Russell                                      B. Dwayne Bravo                                      C. Daren Sammy  
D. Chris Gayle                                      E. None of these

6. Name the CEO of International Cricket Council (ICC) who has resigned from his position, four months after his allegedly "abrasive conduct" came under the scanner during an internal investigation, prompting the world body to send him on leave.

- A. Aditya Roy                                      B. Manu Sawhney                                      C. Saurabh Ganguli  
D. Vinod Kapoor                                      E. None of these



**7. Syed Osman Azhar Maqsumi has won the United Kingdom's Commonwealth Points of Light award. He is a hunger activist from which city?**

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

**8. The Reserve Bank of India has imposed monetary penalties on how many banks including Bank of Baroda and State Bank of India (SBI) for non-compliance of rules?**

- A. 12
- B. 13
- C. 11
- D. 14
- E. None of these

**9. NIIT and which bank have launched 'Digital Banking Academy'?**

- A. ICICI Bank
- B. Yes Bank
- C. IDFC Bank
- D. HDFC Bank
- E. None of these

**10. Mastercard, Mumbai Metro and which bank have announced the launch of 'One Mumbai Metro Card', to ensure contactless and cashless travel for Mumbaikars?**

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

**11. In which country, the world's tallest sandcastle has been completed, weighing nearly 5,000 tonnes and towering over 20 meters high?**

- A. Sweden
- B. Singapore
- C. UAE
- D. Denmark
- E. None of these

**12. Which organization has signed a contract worth about Rs 499 crore with the Ministry of Defence for the manufacture and supply of Akash missiles to the Indian Air Force (IAF)?**

- A. Bharat Electronics
- B. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- C. Bharat Dynamics
- D. BEML Limited
- E. None of these



**13. Which company has recently become 1st SSMI to publish Transparency report under New IT rules?**

- A. Amazon India                      B. Facebook India                      C. Samsung India  
D. Google India                      E. None of these

**14. A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between India and which country to strengthen and promote bilateral cooperation in personnel administration and governance reforms?**

- A. Ghana                      B. Gambia                      C. Sweden  
D. Germany                      E. None of these

**15. Which of the following countries continued to remain in number one position in the latest rankings of top countries in the world where All India Radio Live-streams on NewsOnAir App are most popular?**

- A. India                      B. United Kingdom                      C. USA  
D. China                      E. None of these

**16. Who among the following has recently won the 2021 Scripps National Spelling Bee?**

- A. Zaila Avant                      B. Andleeb Abbas                      C. Zainab Fatima  
D. Sana Adil                      E. None of these

**17. Which social media platform has launched newsletter product Bulletin for independent writers?**

- A. WhatsApp                      B. Facebook                      C. LinkedIn  
D. Twitter                      E. None of these

**18. Which organisation has recently approved a \$650 billion expansion in resources to support economically vulnerable nations as they battle the coronavirus pandemic?**

- A. International Monetary Fund  
B. World Bank  
C. Bank of America  
D. SoftBank of Japan  
E. None of these



**19. Who among the following has recently participated virtually in G20 High-Level Tax Symposium on Tax Policy and Climate Change?**

- A. Parakala Prabhakar
- B. Nirmala Sitharaman
- C. Shaktikanta Das
- D. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar
- E. None of these

**20. Which of the following states is going to have its own OTT platform by November 1, 2021?**

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Karnataka
- D. Andhra Pradesh
- 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
B	C	B	C	C	B	D	D	E	C	D	C	D	B	C	A	B	A	B	B

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Germany's Toni Kroos

**What:** retires from international football

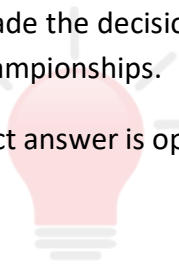
**When:** published on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

Germany midfielder Toni Kroos said Friday he was retiring from international football, days after the team was knocked out of Euro 2020 by England.

"I have played 106 times for Germany. There will not be another time," wrote the 31-year-old Real Madrid player on Twitter.

"I had already made the decision to retire after this tournament for some time," he added, referring to the European championships.

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



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**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** France

**What:** Tests 'HELMA-P' Laser-Powered Anti-Drone System

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The French military used a laser-powered canon on Wednesday to destroy a drone in a test of technology that the government hopes will be used to protect the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

The Armed Forces Ministry said the test, conducted near the Atlantic coast in southwestern France, was a first for Europe, adding that the United States and Israel were also working on similar "Star Wars"-inspired weapons.

France plans to use the system, developed by local startup firm Cilas with public funds, to protect military bases and nuclear plants, as well as major events, against small low-flying drones that can escape radar detection.

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



### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** MoD

**What:** implemented Web-based SPARSH for Sanction & Disbursement of Defence Pension

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Ministry of Defence has implemented SPARSH [System for Pension Administration (Raksha)], an integrated system for automation of sanction and disbursement of defence pension. This web-based system processes pension claims and credits pension directly into the bank accounts of defence pensioners without relying on any external intermediary. A Pensioner Portal is available for pensioners to view their pension-related information, access services and register complaints for redressal of grievances, if any, relating to their pension matters.

SPARSH envisages the establishment of Service Centres to provide last-mile connectivity to pensioners who may be unable to directly access the SPARSH portal for any reason. In addition to several offices of the Defence Accounts Department, which are already functioning as Service Centres for pensioners, the two largest banks dealing with defence pensioners – State Bank of India (SBI) and Punjab National Bank (PNB) – have been co-opted as Service Centres.

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

### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Satish Agnihotri

**What:** appointed new Managing Director of National High Speed Rail Corporation

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

1982-batch IRSE Officer, Satish Agnihotri has been appointed as new Managing Director of National High Speed Rail Corporation Limited (NHSRCL). He has taken over charge of Managing Director today from Achal Khare, who has been superannuated on June 30, 2021.

Prior to appointment to NHSRCL, Satish had been retired from the post of Chairman and Managing Director of Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL). He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil), 1982 and Master of Engineering (Structures), 1984, both from IIT, Roorkee and was conferred the distinguished Alumnus Award in 2013 by IIT, Roorkee.

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

### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Cricket Superstar Daren Sammy

**What:** Named Brand Ambassador for Fun88



**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Global sporting platform, Fun88, has signed two-time T20 World Cup-winning, West Indies captain Daren Sammy as its brand ambassador. Sammy has also played professionally in the Indian Premier League for Hyderabad and has a strong following there.

To kickstart the partnership, Sammy will be a part of a series of brand films targeting sports fanatics in India.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** ICC CEO Manu Sawhney

**What:** resigns amid inquiry over 'abrasive conduct'

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

International Cricket Council (ICC) CEO Manu Sawhney on Thursday resigned from his position, four months after his allegedly "abrasive conduct" came under the scanner during an internal investigation, prompting the world body to send him on leave.

"Chief Executive Manu Sawhney will leave the organisation with immediate effect. Geoff Allardice will continue as Acting CEO supported by the Leadership Team working closely with the ICC Board," the world body said in a statement.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Syed Osman Azhar Maqsusi

**What:** wins United Kingdoms Commonwealth Points of Light award

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Syed Osman Azhar Maqsusi, a hunger activist from Hyderabad was recently awarded the prestigious Commonwealth Points of Light award, marking a proud moment for thousands of Indians. The 41-year-old was honoured for his pathbreaking 'Hunger has no religion' initiative, through which he feeds around 1,500 people every day. Presented by the British government, the award recognises outstanding individuals from the British Commonwealth countries who are making a change in their communities.

Maqsusi, who dubbed the award as a "great honour" began his campaign in 2011 after he saw a frail old hungry woman. Realising that there must be many like her, the Hyderabad resident commenced his hunger drive. He started the 'Hunger has no religion' initiative in his neighbourhood with his wife cooking food for the destitute for 4 to 5 months.

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





## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** RBI

**What:** imposes penalty on 14 banks for non-compliance of rules

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The Reserve Bank of India has imposed monetary penalties on 14 banks including Bank of Baroda and State Bank of India (SBI) for non-compliance of rules.

While Bank of Baroda has been fined two crore rupees, Bandhan Bank, Bank of Maharashtra, Central Bank of India, Credit Suisse, Indian Bank, IndusInd Bank, Karnataka Bank, Karur Vysya Bank, Punjab and Sind Bank, South Indian Bank, Jammu & Kashmir Bank and Utkarsh Small Finance Bank have been fine one crore rupees of penalty each. The SBI has been fined 50 lakh rupees.

In a press release, the RBI said the violations include non-compliance with certain provisions of directions issued by RBI on Lending to Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), Bank Finance to Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), and Loans and Advances - Statutory and Other Restrictions.

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

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** NIIT, Axis Bank

**What:** Launched 'Digital Banking Academy'

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

NIIT Institute of Finance Banking and Insurance (NIIT IFBI) and Axis Bank have launched a fintech professional programme to build future-ready professionals for the private sector lender.

The programme offers graduates with zero to three years of experience an opportunity to join Axis Bank as a deputy manager (IT). NIIT said the programme is immersive in nature where the learners perform tasks of similar complexity as they would face in their role.

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mastercard, Mumbai Metro and Axis Bank

**What:** launch 'One Mumbai Metro Card', to ensure a seamless commute for Mumbaikars

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Mastercard, Mumbai Metro and Axis Bank today announced the launch of 'One Mumbai Metro Card', to ensure contactless and cashless travel for Mumbaikars.



It is a prepaid, open loop contactless card which can be used as a part of the daily transit journey with just a tap. With this solution, Mastercard has continued to contribute in changing the way India commutes and helping the transit eco-system go completely digital. This is a card that can be used for all daily purchases from food, groceries, medicines as well as tickets.

Mastercard's solution gives transit agencies the ability to design, develop and deploy customized prepaid digital payment solutions, delivering essential contactless transit experience to riders. This is another step in helping the government digitise transport and build the country's digital economy, backed by the highest standards of safety that Mastercard is known for.

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** World's tallest sandcastle

**What:** built in Denmark

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

In the small seaside town of Blokhuis in Denmark, the world's tallest sandcastle has been completed, weighing nearly 5,000 tonnes and towering over 20 meters high, its designers said Wednesday.

Standing 21.16 meters high (69.4 feet), more than three meters taller than a castle built in Germany in 2019, which previously held the title with its 17.66 meters, according to Guinness World Records.

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

## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** BDL

**What:** signs Rs 499-crore deal with Indian Air Force for Akash missiles

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) signed a contract worth about Rs 499 crore with the Ministry of Defence for the manufacture and supply of Akash missiles to the Indian Air Force (IAF).

According to a press release, the contract was signed by Air Commodore Ajay Singhal, Air Commodore, Guided Weapons Maintenance on behalf of Indian Air Force and Commodore T N Kaul (Retd), Executive Director (Marketing) on behalf of BDL in the presence of Radhakrishna, Director (Production), BDL at New Delhi today.

CMD, BDL Commodore Siddharth Mishra (Retd) stated that BDL is supplying Akash Missiles to the Indian Army and Indian Air Force. With the announcement from the Union Cabinet regarding clearance of Akash Weapon System for Export, the Company is exploring offering Akash for export to foreign countries. BDL has already received export leads from some countries expressing interest in



procuring the Missile. The Company has a well-established infrastructure and expertise to execute these orders and meet the customer delivery schedule.

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

### 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Google India

**What:** becomes 1st SSMI to publish Transparency report under New IT rules

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Google India has published its first transparency report under the new IT rules which includes details of complaints received from users in the country and the action taken across Google's platforms that are classified as "significant social media intermediaries (SSMIs)" under the rules.

The report currently covers complaints received and actioned between April 1 and April 30 this year. Google said there will be a two-month lag on reporting in a bid to allow sufficient time for data processing and validation.

The report is significant because Google is the first technology company, which qualifies as an SSMI, to have published the report under the Information Technology (Guidelines for Intermediaries and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021. Other countries for which Google provides granular information on action taken on specific kinds of content are Turkey and South Korea.

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

### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India, Gambia

**What:** sign MoU to Strengthen Cooperation in Governance Reforms

**When:** published on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2021

India and Gambia signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for strengthening and promoting bilateral cooperation between the two countries personnel administration and governance reforms on Thursday.

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions said that the MoU was signed today virtually, said an official release.

"The cooperation in areas such as improving performance management system in government, implementation of contributory pension scheme and, e-Recruitment in government form part of the areas to be covered under the activities of MoU," the statement said.

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



## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** USA

**What:** continues to be no.-1 in latest rankings of countries where AIR Live-streams on NewsOnAir App are most popular

**When:** published on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The US continues to remain in number one position in the latest rankings of top countries in the world where All India Radio Live-streams on NewsOnAir App are most popular. The US is followed by Fiji and Australia. Fiji has jumped from 5th position to 2nd, while Saudi Arabia has made a comeback in top 10. Kuwait and Germany are new entrants, while France and New Zealand are no longer in the top 10.

In what is an important feat, All India Radio's Telugu and Tamil live-stream services are popular in the United States, while AIR Punjabi service is popular in the United Kingdom.

In major changes in rankings of top AIR streams globally, AIR News 24\*7 has moved one position up from 7th to 6th Rank, while AIR Tamil has slipped from 6th to 10th spot.

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

## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 14-year-old Zaila Avant-garde

**What:** wins the 2021 Scripps National Spelling Bee

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The last word, after hundreds of competitors fell to some of the dictionary's most colorful monsters, was "Murraya."

When Zaila Avant-garde, 14, spelled it correctly on Thursday night, she put her hands to her head, beamed and twirled her way through confetti and into spelling history, as the first Black American to win the Scripps National Spelling Bee.

The victory gave an extra polish to Zaila's already remarkable résumé: Not only has she competed in spelling bees for two years, she already holds three Guinness world records for dribbling, bouncing and juggling basketballs. All before the ninth grade.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Facebook

**What:** launches newsletter product Bulletin for independent writers



**When:** published on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Social media giant Facebook has launched a newsletter product called Bulletin in the US, designed to serve as a platform for independent writers.

The new product comes with a set of publishing and subscription tools.

Facebook said that Bulletin will include support, which will be centred on the creation of content, monetisation and audience growth.

The company said that it is developing tools to allow creators to launch their own publications and write long-form articles.

Each creator on the platform will have an independent website under their own brand and can customise it to the name, logo, and colour palette of their publication.

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

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IMF

**What:** approves \$650 billion expansion to fight pandemic

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

The executive board of the International Monetary Fund approved a \$650 billion expansion in resources to support economically vulnerable nations as they battle the coronavirus pandemic.

IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva said Friday that the new support, the largest such expansion in the history of the 190-nation lending institution, would be a "shot in the arm for the world."

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

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman

**What:** participates virtually in G20 High-Level Tax Symposium on Tax Policy and Climate Change

**When:** published on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman today participated virtually in the G20 High-Level Tax Symposium on tax policy and Climate Change. The Symposium was organised by G20 Italy, ahead of the 3rd G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting.

Speaking on the occasion, Ms Sitharaman highlighted that in India, fiscal policy options are used for better environmental outcomes and concessional tax rates are in place to promote use of renewables.



She shared India's innovative policy mix for better environmental outcomes such as new energy map of India, digital innovation and emerging fuels, solar alliance for enabling clean energy, promotion of energy efficiency and afforestation.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Kerala govt.

**What:** to have its own OTT platform by November 1

**When:** published on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

The State government's proposed foray into the online content streaming space with the launch of an over-the-top (OTT) platform is a cultural intervention, rather than something prompted by the market or revenues, according to Kerala State Film Development Corporation (KSFDC) chairman Shaji.N.Karun.

Speaking to The Hindu, he said the plan is to launch the platform by November 1.

"Even though the market is crowded with too many platforms, the government is taking this up as a cultural intervention, rather than looking at its viability. We do have an audience which is spread out across the globe. Even an OTT platform like Mubi, which has curated content, has its set of audiences. But, our priority will still be the big screen, with the films first getting a screening in the cinemas and then coming to the OTT platform," Mr. Karun said.

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





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