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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

## May GA Quiz 10

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

1. The Supreme Court has put in place a \_\_\_\_\_ member National Task Force (NTF), including top experts and doctors from across the country, "to facilitate a public health response to the pandemic based on scientific and specialised domain knowledge".

- A. 14                                      B. 15                                      C. 12  
D. 20                                      E. None of these

2. Ministry of Civil Aviation and Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) have granted conditional exemption to the Government of which state for conducting experimental Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) drone flights for delivery of vaccines?

- A. Rajasthan                              B. Telangana                              C. Gujarat  
D. Kerala                                      E. None of these

3. Shattering yet another glass ceiling in the overwhelmingly male-dominated armed forces, the first-ever batch of how many women jawans have now been inducted into the Corps of Military Police (CMP) in the 13-lakh strong Army?

- A. 75                                      B. 89                                      C. 83  
D. 90                                      E. None of these

4. Which of the following states is going to present the 'Manoj Das International Literary Award' in memory of eminent litterateur Manoj Das?

- A. West Bengal                              B. Odisha                                      C. Madhya Pradesh  
D. Chhattisgarh                              E. None of these

5. Dr Irai Anbu has been appointed as the Chief Secretary of which states?

- A. West Bengal                              B. Assam                                      C. Maharashtra  
D. Tamil Nadu                                      E. None of these



**6. Which of the following states has recently launched 'Mukhyamantri COVID Upchar Yojana'?**

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Karnataka
- D. West Bengal
- E. None of these

**7. Ravinder Pal Singh passed away recently, was related to which sport?**

- A. Cricket
- B. Badminton
- C. Hockey
- D. Football
- E. None of these

**8. Which firm has launched a Mobile Application (app) 'ID-Art' which will help to identify the stolen cultural property, reduce smuggling and increase the possibility of recovering stolen works and artefacts?**

- A. Europol
- B. Federal Bureau of Investigation
- C. Interpol
- D. Central Intelligence Agency
- E. None of these



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**9. Which firm has raised around Rs 3,936 crore by selling 4.1 crore shares in SBI Life?**

- A. Carlyle Group
- B. Blackstone Group
- C. Bain Capital
- D. Apollo Global Management
- E. None of these

**10. Who among the following has been appointed as the National President of FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO)?**

- A. Ujjwala Singhania
- B. Manikarnika Rawat
- C. Ritu Kumari Sharma
- D. Lalita Gupta
- E. None of these



**11. "Savdhan Rahein, Safe Rahein" public awareness campaign was launched by which company?**

- A. Bajaj Finserv                      B. IDFC FIRST Bank                      C. Tata Capital  
D. HDB Financial Services                      E. None of these

**12. As per the recent report, EPFO can invest up to what percent in alternate investment funds to support infra push?**

- A. 4 percent                      B. 3 percent                      C. 5 percent  
D. 7 percent                      E. None of these

**13. The Indian Armed Forces has launched which operation to support anti-COVID-19 efforts of the country?**

- A. CO-JEET                      B. CO-WIN                      C. CO-VIJAY  
D. CO-VID                      E. None of these

**14. Who among the following has been named "Sportswoman of the Year" at Laureus World Sports Awards?**

- A. Serena Williams                      B. Jennifer Brady                      C. Naomi Osaka  
D. Simona Halep                      E. None of these

**15. The International Dance Day 2021 was observed recently with which of the following themes?**

- A. Purpose of dance                      B. Dance is Everything                      C. Art of Dance  
D. Dance with World                      E. None of these

**16. Which of the following countries has recently launched a robot prototype NEO-01?**

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

**17. Which of the following organizations has recently announced to provide 4000 Concentrators to India?**

- A. WTO                      B. WHO                      C. UNESCO  
D. IMF                      E. None of these



**18. Which of the following countries has become the first nation to introduce regulation to use self-driving vehicles at slow speeds on motorways?**

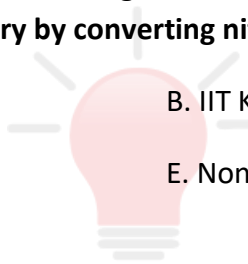
- A. New Zealand
- B. Australia
- C. United Kingdom
- D. Ireland
- E. None of these

**19. The 2021 World Press Freedom Day was observed with which of the following themes?**

- A. Journalism Safety
- B. Information as a Public Good
- C. Journalism without Fear or Favour
- D. Safety of Women and Men Journalists and Media Workers
- E. None of these

**20. Which of the following IIT has come out with an innovative way to address medical oxygen shortage across the country by converting nitrogen generators into oxygen generators?**

- A. IIT Delhi
- B. IIT Kolkata
- C. IIT Kanpur
- D. IIT Bombay
- E. None of these



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**Correct answer:**

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**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** SC

**What:** sets up task force for Covid response, oxygen audit, supply

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

The Supreme Court has put in place a 12-member National Task Force (NTF), including top experts and doctors from across the country, “to facilitate a public health response to the pandemic based on scientific and specialised domain knowledge”.

The Task Force would also undertake an oxygen audit for “formulating a methodology for the scientific allocation of oxygen to states and UTs (Union Territories)”. The Union Cabinet Secretary or a nominee of the official will serve as Convenor of the NTF.

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

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Centre

**What:** provides conditional exemption for experimental drone flights for COVID vaccine delivery

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

The Centre is providing conditional exemption for experimental drone flights for vaccine delivery as part of constant endeavour to enhance the scope of drone usage in the country to fight COVID-19 pandemic.

Ministry of Civil Aviation and Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) have granted conditional exemption to the Government of Telangana for conducting experimental Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) drone flights for delivery of vaccines. The trials may commence by end of this month.

Ministry of Civil Aviation in a statement said that earlier, the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) was granted conditional exemption last month for conducting feasibility study of COVID-19 vaccine delivery. The Ministry said, the grant of these permissions is intended to achieve the dual objectives of faster vaccine delivery and improved healthcare access.

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



### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Army

**What:** inducts women as soldiers for the first time, breaking another glass ceiling

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

Shattering yet another glass ceiling in the overwhelmingly male-dominated armed forces, the first-ever batch of 83 women jawans have now been inducted into the Corps of Military Police (CMP) in the 13-lakh strong Army.

The attestation parade of the 83 women soldiers was held at the CMP Centre & School at Bengaluru on Saturday after they underwent 61 weeks of intensive basic military and provost training, which included all forms of policing duties and management of prisoners of war, ceremonial duties, skill development and signal communications.

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

### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Odisha government

**What:** will present Manoj Das International Literary Award: CM Naveen Patnaik

**When:** published on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik Tuesday announced that the state government will present 'Manoj Das International Literary Award' in memory of eminent litterateur Manoj Das.

The award will be conferred on litterateurs from Odisha for their creative contribution to English literature every year. It will carry a cash reward of Rs 10 lakh, a statement issued by the Chief Minister's Office said.

Patnaik said high school students will be presented 'Manoj-Kishore Literary Talent Award' for their creative works in order to develop interest among youths in both Odia and English literature.

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

### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Irai Anbu

**What:** Appointed as Chief Secretary of Tamil Nadu

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

Senior IAS officer Dr. V Irai Anbu has been appointed as the Chief Secretary of Tamil Nadu on Friday.



Anbu was heading Anna Institute of Management during the AIADMK regime before being given the plum post.

Irai Anbu along with Vikram Kapur, Dr. Atulya Mishra, D Sabitha, and Jatindra Nath Swain was appointed as additional chief secretaries in 2019. He is a columnist, a teacher as well as a motivational speaker.

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

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Madhya Pradesh

**What:** Launches 'Mukhyamantri COVID Upchar Yojana'

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

The Madhya Pradesh government on Friday announced the launch of the 'Mukhyamantri COVID Upchar Yojana' amid a rise in cases in the state.

The scheme has been divided into three sections, a state government official said.

'Under the first section, hospitals run by state medical colleges, district and civil hospitals and community health centres will give free treatment to COVID-19 patients.

In the second section, 20 per cent ICU/HDU and isolation beds will be reserved in hospitals run by private medical colleges to give free treatment,' he said.

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

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Moscow Olympic gold medallist former hockey player Ravinder Pal Singh

**What:** succumbs to COVID

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

Former India hockey player and a member of the 1980 Moscow Olympics-winning side, Ravinder Pal Singh died on Saturday morning in Lucknow after battling COVID-19 for nearly two weeks.

Singh was admitted at the Vivekananda Hospital on April 24 after contracting the deadly virus.

According to family sources, Singh had recovered from the virus and was shifted to non-COVID ward on Thursday after testing negative.

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





## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** INTERPOL

**What:** launches app to better protect cultural heritage

**When:** published on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021

An app launched by INTERPOL will help identify stolen cultural property, reduce illicit trafficking, and increase the chances of recovering stolen works and artefacts.

INTERPOL's ID-Art app enables users ranging from law enforcement to the general public to get mobile access to the INTERPOL database of stolen works of art, create an inventory of private art collections and report cultural sites potentially at risk.

Using cutting-edge image-recognition software, ID-Art is free to download from the (Android or Google) Play Store and the (Apple) App Store.

"In recent years we've witnessed the unprecedented ransack by terrorists of the cultural heritage of countries arising from armed conflict, organized looting and cultural cleansing," said INTERPOL Secretary General Jürgen Stock.

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

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Carlyle

**What:** sells 4% in SBI Life for Rs 3,900 crore

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

The Carlyle Group raised around Rs 3,936 crore by selling 4.1 crore shares in SBI Life through multiple block deals in Friday, generating a near 2 times return from a two year old investment , exchange and regulatory data showed.

A bunch of global institutional investors including Vanguard, Abu Dhabi Investment Authority, Kuwait Investment Authority and Norges Bank are among investors who bought shares from CA Emerald Investments, an affiliate of Carlyle Asia Partners.

SBI Mutual Fund, HDFC Mutual Fund Franklin Templeton are among the domestic investors, who bought shares from Carlyle. Shares were sold at Rs 960 a piece.

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

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Ujjwala Singhania



**What:** Takes Over As 38th National President FICCI FLO

**When:** published on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Ujjwala Singhania has been appointed as the National President of FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO), the oldest women-led & women-centric business chamber of Southeast Asia. She took over as the 38th President of FLO at the FLO's 37th Annual Session in presence of eminent personalities including Smt. Smriti Irani, Honourable Minister for Women & Child Development, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar, Honourable Minister for Rural Development, Dr Jitendra Singh, Minister for Development of North Eastern Region, Government of India among others.

As the 38th National President of FLO Singhania will focus on empowering women by facilitating an enabling environment that promotes entrepreneurship, industry participation and economic development of women. Under her leadership, FLO will carry out many interventions towards fostering larger contributions of women in India's Industrial and economic Growth story.

Speaking about her new role, Ujjwala Singhania, National President 2021-22 said "It's an honour for me to be the National President of an organization like FLO which has had such an illustrious history of working towards the development & empowerment of women. I have been a part of this women's consortium for over 19 years & the collective mission of the organisation is to encourage and facilitate women to showcase their talents, skills, experiences & energy across sectors and verticals for a truly inclusive economic growth trajectory. This will not only help me to drive a wave of positive impact in their life but will also assist me to put an optimistic impact on the entire society at large"

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

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Bajaj Finserv

**What:** launches 'Savdhan Rahein, Safe Rahein', a public awareness campaign on financial fraud risks

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

Bajaj Finserv, one of the largest financial conglomerates in India, has launched its public awareness campaign, 'Savdhan Rahein. Safe Rahein', across digital and social media platforms, to educate customers and public at large on financial fraud risks and how to stay protected.

Through this awareness initiative, Bajaj Finserv aims to convey a very important message to its customers and prospects to strictly avoid making any refundable advance payments in the name of loan processing fee, tiban charges, GST, verifications etc., and verifying all loan offers at the Bajaj Finance's official website, only.

Also, it's essential for customers opting for Life insurance or Health insurance or Motor insurance policies to check policy documents carefully and verify the details on the insurers' websites only. Sometimes, customers may get lured by low premium offers by fraudsters and end up with invalid policy documents. This campaign highlights how and what customers need to verify the policy



authenticity; differentiating between a genuine and fake policy and most importantly where the customers can go for reporting these incidents, should they be defrauded.

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

## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** EPFO

**What:** can invest up to 5% in alternate investment funds to support infra push

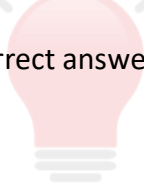
**When:** published on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

The labour ministry has notified the changes in the investment pattern of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), paving way for the retirement fund body to invest up to 5% of its investible surplus in alternate investment funds (AIFs) that support infrastructure, micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs), venture capital funds and social venture capital funds.

The EPFO manages more than Rs 12 lakh crore of retirement savings of over six crore subscribers. The new investment pattern will be effective from March 15, 2021.

EPFO, however, will have to seek the approval of its central board of trustees before making such an investment which is considered high risk.

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



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## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** the Indian Armed Forces

**What:** has launched operation "CO-JEET" to support anti-COVID-19 efforts of the country

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

Treating the current coronavirus wave like a war, the armed forces have launched operation "CO-JEET" to aid anti-COVID-19 efforts, like strengthening medical infrastructure and oxygen supply chains, as well as take measures to ensure mental wellbeing of people.

Besides medical therapy, patients need the reassurance that they will be fine and "in times of stress, if you have someone to talk to, it makes a huge difference", said Deputy Chief of Integrated Defence Staff (Medical) Lieutenant General Dr Madhuri Kanitkar.

Lt Gen Kanitkar, who is the third woman to become a three-star general in the armed forces, is working round the clock to strategise and monitor steps to provide relief to COVID-19 patients. [\(Read more\)](#)



#### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Naomi Osaka

**What:** named “Sportswoman of the Year” at Laureus World Sports Awards

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

World No. 2 tennis player Naomi Osaka has been named “Sportswoman of the Year” at the Laureus World Sports Awards for her achievements on and off the court, while tennis legend Billie Jean King was awarded the “Lifetime Achievement Award” by the Laureus Academy.

This is Osaka’s second recognition at the Laureus Sports Awards. She won the “Breakthrough of the Year” award in 2019 after a season that saw her win her first WTA title at the BNP Paribas Open and begin her ascent to the top of the game with her first US Open title that fall.

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** International Dance Day 2021

**What:** was observed on 29<sup>th</sup> April

International Dance Day is celebrated on April 29 every year to encourage participation and education in dance. Several dance events and festivals held on this date all over the globe. The International Dance Day 2021 theme is: ‘Purpose of dance’.

International Dance Day was created by the Dance Committee of the International Theatre Institute ITI, the main partner for the performing arts of UNESCO. Since its creation in 1982, the International Dance Committee and the International Theatre Institute ITI select an outstanding dance personality to write a message for International Dance Day each year. This day is a celebration day for those who can see the value and importance of the art form “dance”, and acts as a wake-up-call for governments, politicians and institutions which have not yet recognised its value to the people and to the individual and have not yet realised its potential for economic growth.

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

#### 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** China

**What:** launches robot prototype capable of catching space debris with net

**When:** published on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021



A Chinese space mining start-up launched into low Earth orbit on Tuesday a robot prototype that can scoop up debris left behind by other spacecraft with a big net.

The NEO-01, which will also peer into deep space to observe small celestial bodies, was launched on the government's Long March 6 rocket along with a handful of satellites, state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

The 30kg robot developed by Shenzhen-based Origin Space will pave the way for future technologies capable of mining on asteroids, according to the company.

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

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** WHO

**What:** to provide 4,000 oxygen concentrators to India amid surge in COVID-19 cases

**When:** published on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021

The World Health Organization (WHO) will provide 4,000 oxygen concentrators to India which is experiencing a surge in COVID-19 cases and related deaths, a spokesperson of the global health body said on Tuesday. "WHO is providing critical equipment and supplies to meet the increased needs during the current surge.

4000 oxygen concentrators will be delivered, to be provided to affected states (in India)," the organisation's spokesperson said while speaking to Sputnik. "Over 2,600 WHO experts from various programs (polio, TB, NTD etc) have been redeployed to work with health authorities at all levels to respond to the pandemic," the spokesperson added. Various countries are providing assistance to India as it battles a deadly second wave of the coronavirus pandemic.

A shipment of urgently needed oxygen, medicine and equipment will be delivered over the coming days by EU member states to India through the EU Civil Protection Mechanism, which is coordinated by the Emergency Response Coordination Centre of the European Commission.

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

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** UK

**What:** becomes first country to announce regulation of use of self-driving vehicles at slow speeds on motorways

**When:** published on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021

The UK has become the first country to announce regulation of the use of self-driving vehicles at slow speeds on motorways.



Britain's transport ministry today said that it was working on specific wording to update the country's highway code for the safe use of self-driving vehicle systems. It added that the ministry will start with Automated Lane Keeping Systems (ALKS) - which use sensors and software to keep cars within a lane, allowing them to accelerate and brake without driver input.

According to the government, the use of ALKS would be restricted to motorways, at speeds under 60 km per hour. The UK government wants to be at the forefront of rolling out autonomous driving technology and the transport ministry forecasts by 2035 around 40% of new UK cars could have self-driving capabilities, creating up to 38,000 new skilled jobs.

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

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 2021 World Press Freedom Day

**What:** was observed on May 3

Every year, on 3 May, people around the world celebrate World Press Freedom Day. It is the day to discuss and celebrate press freedom, defend the media against attacks and recognize the efforts of journalists around the world who bring us information.

In many countries, media persons are at risk while performing their professional duties. The day aims to acknowledge the struggles faced by the people in the media and is a reminder to governments to respect press freedom.

Information as a public good is the theme for the occasion this year. UNESCO states that the theme calls to cherish information as a public good along with exploring ways to distribute it and strengthen journalism.

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

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** IIT Bombay

**What:** Converts Existing Nitrogen Plant Into Oxygen Generators For Covid-19 Treatment

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

It has recently come to light that the Indian Institute of Technology-Bombay (IIT-B) has come out with an innovative way to address medical oxygen shortage across the country by converting nitrogen generators into oxygen generators. IIT-B has come out with a device as part of the pilot project that's being carried out in collaboration with Tata Consulting Engineers (TCE), reports HT.

The shortage of medical oxygen for the treatment of Covid-19 is becoming a growing issue in the country. Covid-19 patients in several hotspot cities in India are struggling to get proper



treatment amidst the shortage of oxygen in the country. IIT-Bombay has run Initial tests that shows oxygen production could be achieved at 3.5 atm pressure, with a purity level of 93%-96 %.

Moreover, given that it takes about four days to convert existing nitrogen plants into oxygen generators, it can save the time spent in setting up a new oxygen plant. The solution will also help provide oxygen supply to the existing hospitals.

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





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