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May GA Quiz 13

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

1. K R Gouri Amma passed away at 102, was the Oldest Serving MLA of which state?

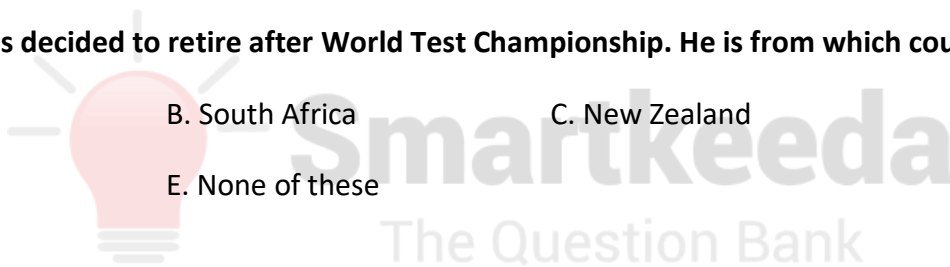
- A. Tamil Nadu B. Andhra Pradesh C. Karnataka
D. Kerala E. None of these

2. Which dates is observed as the International Nurses Day?

- A. May 10 B. May 11 C. May 12
D. May 13 E. None of these

3. B J Watling has decided to retire after World Test Championship. He is from which country?

- A. England B. South Africa C. New Zealand
D. Australia E. None of these



4. Which firm has been conferred with the “Green Urja Award” for being the Leading Public Institution in the Financing Institution for Renewable Energy this year by the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC)?

- A. NHPC Limited
B. Power Finance Corp
C. Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited
D. Solar Energy Corporation of India
E. None of these

5. India and which country have conducted “Passage Exercise (PASSEX)” in the southern Arabian sea?

- A. Malaysia B. Indonesia C. Thailand
D. Maldives E. None of these



6. Which of the following banks has announced the launch of the “I choose my number” feature for all its customers across India?

- A. Jana Small Finance Bank
- B. Equitas Small Finance Bank
- C. AU Small Finance Bank
- D. Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- E. None of these

7. The United Nations has projected that the Indian economy would grow at what per cent in the calendar year 2021?

- A. 7.2 percent
- B. 7.4 percent
- C. 7.3 percent
- D. 7.5 percent
- E. None of these

8. Name the person who has been appointed as the CEO Of National Asset Reconstruction Company.

- A. Padmakumar M Nair
- B. Kishor Kumar Reddy
- C. Raman Raghav Reddy
- D. Bashi Kumar Nair
- E. None of these

9. K P Sharma Oli has lost the vote of confidence in the House of Representatives. He is the Prime Minister of which country?

- A. Bhutan
- B. Tibet
- C. Nepal
- D. Bangladesh
- E. None of these

10. Venugopal Chandrasekhar passed away recently, was related to which sports?

- A. Badminton
- B. Hockey
- C. Table Tennis
- D. Tennis
- E. None of these

11. NASA’s Spacecraft Origins, Spectral Interpretation, Resource Identification, Security, Regolith Explorer (OSIRIS-REx), has started its 2-year long journey towards earth with the samples- rocks and dust -collected from the _____ .

- A. Asteroid Ryugu
- B. Asteroid Bennu
- C. Asteroid Apophis
- D. Asteroid Itokawa
- E. None of these



12. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved Kyndryl Holdings and Grand Ocean Managed Infrastructure Services' proposal for the internal restructuring of which company under the green channel route?

- A. Infosys Ltd B. IBM Corporation C. Samsung India
D. Amazon India E. None of these

13. Anchor investor Bay Tree India Holdings I LLC has sold over 2 per cent stake in which banks through open market transactions?

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

14. MNRE has amended the guidelines for implementation of Central Public Sector Undertaking (CPSU) scheme phase-II for setting up _____ grid-connected solar projects with viability gap funding (VGF).

- A. 14,000 MW B. 12,000 MW C. 16,000 MW
D. 10,000 MW E. None of these

15. As per the recent report, the area under cultivation of summer crops has gone up by _____ from last year to 80.02 lakh hectares.

- A. 21.58 percent B. 20.58 percent C. 22.58 percent
D. 19.58 percent E. None of these

16. Which bank and Geojit Financial Services have joined hands to tap retail customers, who are aiming to save more and betting big on capital markets amid pay cuts and falling income levels?

- A. State Bank of India B. Punjab National Bank C. Bank of India
D. Indian Overseas Bank E. None of these

17. Which app has launched International Money Transfers for US users?

- A. Amazon Pay B. Google Pay C. Airtel Pay
D. Jio Pay E. None of these



18. Name the 19-year-old boy who has become the youngest Pakistani mountaineer to reach the summit of Mount Everest.

- A. Rashid Pathan B. Shehroze Kashif C. Sarfaros Khan
D. Imamuddin Rahim E. None of these

19. Which of the following banks has appointed Indranil Pan as its chief economist?

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

20. Which firm has donated USD 15 million to help address the COVID-19 crisis in India which is battling the unprecedented second wave of the deadly pandemic?

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



Correct answer:

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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Kerala's Oldest Serving MLA KR Gouri Amma

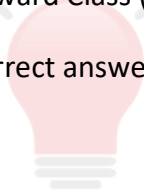
What: Passes Away at 102

When: published on 11th May 2021

KR Gouri Amma, one of the tallest leaders of Kerala politics died on May 11 morning. She passed away at 7 am at PRS hospital in Thiruvananthapuram. She was 102. Gouri Amma was admitted at the hospital in April due to a fever caused by a viral infection. Her condition turned critical a week ago and she was shifted to the Intensive Care Unit.

Gouri Amma's life and her political career stand unparalleled in the history of the state, a pioneer who fought many odds. She was the first woman lawyer from the Ezhava community, categorised as Other Backward Class (OBC) in the state.

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



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2. Hints to Remember

Who: International Nurses Day

What: observed globally on 12 May

When: published on 12th May 2021

International Nurses Day is observed around the world on 12 May to commemorate nurses and the nursing profession globally.

The day also happens to be the birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale, an English nurse who was also a social reformer and a statistician.

Nightingale, who came to prominence while serving as a manager and trainer of nurses during the Crimean war, is credited for establishing the pillars of modern nursing. She gave nursing a favourable reputation and became an icon of Victorian culture.

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

3. Hints to Remember



Who: New Zealand wicketkeeper BJ Watling

What: to retire after World Test Championship

When: published on 12th May 2021

New Zealand wicketkeeper-batsman BJ Watling has announced he would be retiring from international cricket after the three Tests, including the World Test Championship final against India, on their upcoming England tour. Watling, 35, has played 73 Tests, 28 ODIs and 5 T20Is for the BlackCaps.

BJ Watling has been one of the pillars of the current New Zealand side led by Kane Williamson. The 35-year-old played an integral role in their rise to the top, scoring 3773 runs, including 8 hundreds, in 73 Tests. Watling became just the 9th wicketkeeper to hit a double hundred and the first to hit a double against England when he did so in Bay Oval in 2019. Watling has been involved in two 350-plus stands, one with Brendon McCullum in 2014 against India and the other with Kane Williamson the following year.

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

4. Hints to Remember

Who: IREDA

What: conferred with "Green Urja Award"

When: published on 12th May 2021

Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd (IREDA) has bagged the "Green Urja Award" for being the 'Leading Public Institution in Financing Institution' for renewable energy this year by the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC).

Pradip Kumar Das, Chairman & Managing Director (CMD), IREDA, received the award from Dr Ajay Mathur, Director General, International Solar Alliance, in the presence of Shri Anil Razdan, Chairman, ICC National Expert Committee on Energy, in a virtual ceremony held recently.

IREDA bagged the award for the pivotal and developmental role it plays in Green Energy Financing. Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, IREDA has ended the year 2020-21 on a strong note and disbursed the second-highest (from the date of inception) amount of loan amounting to Rs 8,827 crore, which indicates that IREDA has the ability to translate this problem into an opportunity.

On this occasion, IREDA also highlighted unique initiatives taken by it to contain the first and second waves of Covid-19. IREDA ensured a safe and healthy environment for its employees by adopting a proactive and timely Covid-19 management approach.

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

5. Hints to remember



Who: Indian and Indonesian navies

What: conduct exercise in Arabian sea

When: published on 8th May 2021

The Indian and Indonesian Navies conducted Passage Exercise (PASSEX) in the southern Arabian sea on Saturday, the Southern Naval Command said. The Indian Navy was represented by INS Sharda, an Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) with a Chetak helicopter embarked onboard and the Indonesian Navy was represented by KRI Sultan Hasanudin, a 90m Corvette, a press release from the Southern Naval Command said.

The exercise, aimed at improving interoperability and understanding between both the friendly navies, are regularly conducted by the Indian Navy with units of friendly foreign countries.

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

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Jana Small Finance Bank

What: launches 'I choose my number' feature

When: published on 11th May 2021

Jana Small Finance Bank, on Tuesday, said its customers will now have the option of choosing their favourite numbers for their savings or current account.

A press statement from the company said that the bank will allow its customers to choose their favourite numbers as the last 10 digits of their bank account, savings or current. The allocation of the account number chosen by the customer will be subject to the availability of the requested number.

According to Ajay Kanwal, MD and CEO, Jana Small Finance Bank "We observe that customers want banking to be simple and personalised. This added feature will help customers relate and connect to the bank more closely as they choose auspicious or lucky numbers. At Jana Small Finance Bank, we are committed to providing customers with solutions that are tailored to their preferences."

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

7. Hints to Remember

Who: UN

What: expects India's GDP to grow 7.5% in 2021, outlook fragile due to Covid

When: published on 12th May 2021



The United Nations has raised India's growth forecast to 7.5 per cent for calendar year 2021, marking a 0.2 per cent increase from its projection in January, but said the country's outlook for the year remains highly fragile.

The surging Covid-19 infections and inadequate vaccination progress in many countries threaten a broad-based recovery of the world economy, said the World Economic Situation and Prospects report.

It also projected India's GDP to grow by 10.1 per cent in 2022. "India has been particularly affected by a brutal second wave which is overwhelming the public health system in large parts of the country."

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

8. Hints to Remember

Who: Padmakumar M Nair

What: to be CEO of National Asset Reconstruction Company

When: published on 11th May 2021

Padmakumar M Nair, Chief General Manager of Stressed Assets Resolution Group at SBI, will head the National Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd, the proposed bad bank for taking over stressed assets of lenders, according to sources.

Nair has been picked up for the CEO post of the proposed bad bank NARCL as he has a long exposure of handling resolution of stressed assets, they said. He will be joining the company on deputation basis for the moment, two sources said. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in the budget for 2021-22 had announced that an asset reconstruction company or a bad bank would be set up to consolidate and take over existing stressed assets of lenders and undertake their resolution. Bad bank refers to a financial institution that takes over bad assets of lenders and undertakes resolution.

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

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli

What: loses vote of confidence in parliament

When: published on 10th May 2021

Nepal Prime Minister K P Sharma Oli lost a trust vote in the House of Representatives on Monday, in a fresh setback to the embattled premier seeking to tighten his grip on power after the CPN (Maoist Centre) led by Pushpakamal Dahal 'Prachanda' withdrew support to his government.



Prime Minister Oli secured 93 votes in the lower house of parliament during a special session convened on the directives of President Bidya Devi Bhandari.

Oli, 69, required at least 136 votes in the 275-member House of Representatives to win the confidence motion as four members are currently under suspension. A total of 124 members voted against the confidence motion while 15 members stayed neutral, Speaker Agni Sapkota announced. The session was attended by 232 lawmakers.

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

10. Hints to Remember

Who: Former National TT champion Venugopal Chandrasekhar

What: dies due to Covid-19

When: published on 12th May 2021

Three-time National TT champion Venugopal Chandrasekhar passed away due to Covid-19 complications here on Wednesday. He was 63.

Not only as a player, Chandra also made a name for himself as a coach --- shaping the careers of numerous TT champions such as G Sathiyam, S Raman among others. "It feels like a personal loss to me. I have trained under him from 1998 to 2012 and my mind is blank at this point of time," Sathiyam told TOI.

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

11. Hints to Remember

Who: NASA's OSIRIS-REx Spacecraft

What: Heads for Earth with Asteroid Sample

When: published on 21st May 2021

After nearly five years in space, NASA's Origins, Spectral Interpretation, Resource Identification, Security, Regolith Explorer (OSIRIS-REx) spacecraft is on its way back to Earth with an abundance of rocks and dust from the near-Earth asteroid Bennu.

On Monday, May 10, at 4:23 p.m. EDT the spacecraft fired its main engines full throttle for seven minutes – its most significant maneuver since it arrived at Bennu in 2018. This burn thrust the spacecraft away from the asteroid at 600 miles per hour (nearly 1,000 kilometers per hour), setting it on a 2.5-year cruise towards Earth.

After releasing the sample capsule, OSIRIS-REx will have completed its primary mission. It will fire its engines to fly by Earth safely, putting it on a trajectory to circle the sun inside of Venus' orbit.



After orbiting the Sun twice, the OSIRIS-REx spacecraft is due to reach Earth Sept. 24, 2023. Upon return, the capsule containing pieces of Bennu will separate from the rest of the spacecraft and enter Earth's atmosphere. The capsule will parachute to the Utah Test and Training Range in Utah's West Desert, where scientists will be waiting to retrieve it.

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

12. Hints to Remember

Who: CCI

What: approves internal restructuring of IBM under green channel route

When: published on 11th May 2021

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved Kyndryl Holdings and Grand Ocean Managed Infrastructure Services' proposal for the internal restructuring of IBM Corporation under the green channel route.

Green channel is an automatic approval system, whereby a combination is deemed to have been approved by the CCI upon receiving the filing of the notice for the combination by the parties concerned.

International Business Machines Corporation (IBM Corporation/ Seller) plans to spin off its global MIS Business into a new public company, within the framework of an International corporate internal re-organization," a press release stated.

This will be achieved by separation of the managed infrastructure services (MIS) business into newly incorporated companies-- Kyndryl Holdings LLC and Grand Ocean Managed Infrastructure Services Pvt Ltd-- which are presently not engaged in any business activity and have been incorporated only to implement the proposed transaction.

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

13. Hints to Remember

Who: Bay Tree India Holdings

What: sells over 2% stake in Yes Bank

When: published on 11th May 2021

Anchor investor Bay Tree India Holdings I LLC has sold over 2 per cent stake in Yes Bank through open market transactions.

According to a regulatory filing, Bay Tree India Holdings I LLC, which held 7.48 per cent stake in Yes Bank earlier, sold 52.15 crore shares representing 2.08 per cent of equity stake in multiple tranches between January 6 and May 6, 2021.



Post the sale, stake of Bay Tree India Holdings I LLC in Yes Bank stands at 5.40 per cent.

In July 2020, Yes Bank garnered Rs 4,098 crore from anchor investors, a day ahead of its follow-on public offering.

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

14. Hints to Remember

Who: MNRE

What: amends guidelines for 12,000 MW CPSU phase-II solar project scheme

When: published on 11th May 2021

The ministry of new and renewable energy (MNRE) has amended the guidelines for implementation of Central Public Sector Undertaking (CPSU) scheme phase-II for setting up 12,000 MW grid-connected solar projects with viability gap funding (VGF).

According to the amended guidelines, power produced by the government producers could be used on payment of mutually agreed usage charges of not more than Rs 2.45 per unit. Earlier, it was mutually agreed usage charges of not more than Rs 2.80 per unit.

Further it said that the maximum permissible VGF has been kept at Rs 0.55 crore per MW, which was kept at Rs 0.70 crore per MW earlier. VGF is provided under the scheme with the objective of covering the cost difference between the domestically produced solar cells and modules and imported solar cells and modules.

Regarding project commissioning timelines, the fresh guidelines state that solar power projects would have to be commissioned within a period of 30 months from the date of letter of award.

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

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Area of summer crops

What: expands by 21.58%

When: published on 7th May 2021

The area under cultivation of summer crops has gone up by 21.58% from last year to 80.02 lakh hectares. The rise is primarily due to sharp increase in pulses area, which has gone up by almost 70% from last year, raising hopes of a good harvest and extra income for farmers.

The met department has also forecast that monsoon will hit Kerala on its scheduled date of June 1.

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



16. Hints to Remember

Who: Geojit

What: inks pact with Punjab National Bank to offer three-in-one account

When: published on 12th May 2021

Punjab National Bank and Geojit Financial Services joined hands to tap retail customers, who are aiming to save more and betting big on capital markets amid pay cuts and falling income levels.

Both the entities signed an agreement to offer a “three-in-one account”, which will combine savings and demat accounts of the bank with the non-bank’s trading account.

“This will help clients diversify their investments and manage it all through one account,” said Satish Menon, Executive Director of Geojit Financial Services.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Google Pay

What: launches international money transfers with Wise and Western Union

When: published on 11th May 2021

Alphabet Inc's Google has launched international money transfer partnerships with remittances firms Wise and Western Union Co for users of its U.S. payments app, the companies said on Tuesday.

Google Pay users in the United States can now transfer money to app customers in India and Singapore, with plans to expand to the 80 countries available via Wise, and 200 via Western Union by the end of the year.

Google's foray in the \$470 billion remittance market, marks a further step by the technology company to expand its financial services offering, ramping up competition in the digital payments sector.

London-based Wise was launched in 2011 with the aim of making international money transfers cheaper and easier, while Western Union remains a market leader in remittances, with a sprawling global network of physical locations.

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

18. Hints to Remember

Who: 19-year-old



What: becomes youngest Pakistani to climb Mt Everest

When: published on 12th May 2021

A 19-year old man became the youngest Pakistani to summit Mt Everest, the world's highest peak, on Tuesday.

Shehroze Kashif, who hails from Lahore, has earlier climbed Broad Peak (8,047m) in the Karakoram range when he was 17 years old.

Nepalese mountaineer and Expedition Manager Chhang Dawa Sherpa, in a Facebook post, congratulated Kashif.

'This morning Shehroze Kashif, 19, became the youngest Pakistani mountaineer to reach the summit of Mount Everest - 8,848.86 metres - on Tuesday,' Sherpa said.

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

19. Hints to Remember

Who: YES Bank

What: appoints Indranil Pan as chief economist

When: published on 11th May 2021

Private sector lender Yes Bank on Tuesday said it has appointed Indranil Pan as its chief economist. Pan joins the bank from rival IDFC First Bank. Pan and his team will provide strategic and policy-level inputs for the bank, based on macroeconomic developments at global and national level, a statement said. Brickwork Ratings announces new appointment * Brickwork Ratings said Tanu Sharma has joined it as director in the core ratings function. She joins the company from rival India Ratings and Research, and will be overseeing the North India large corporates analytical group, a statement said. Kfintech invests in Artivatic General Atlantic-backed Kfintech on Tuesday said it has entered into insurance technology by making an undisclosed investment in Artivatic.ai. The investment will help Kfin to diversify its business and support Artivatic in venturing into the South East Asia market, an official statement said.

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

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Twitter

What: donates USD 15 mn for Covid relief in India to battle second wave

When: published on 11th May 2021



Microblogging giant Twitter has donated USD 15 million to help address the COVID-19 crisis in India which is battling the unprecedented second wave of the deadly pandemic.

Twitter CEO Jack Patrick Dorsey on Monday tweeted that the amount has been donated to three non-governmental organisations Care, Aid India and Sewa International USA.

While CARE has been given USD 10 million, Aid India and Sewa International USA have received USD 2.5 million each.

Sewa International is a Hindu faith-based, humanitarian, non-profit service organisation. This grant will support the procurement of lifesaving equipment such as oxygen concentrators, ventilators, BiPAP (Bilevel Positive Airway Pressure) and CPAP (Continuous Positive Airway Pressure) machines as part of Sewa International's 'Help India Defeat COVID-19' campaign, the San Francisco-based company said in a statement.

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





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