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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 23

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

1. Which of the following countries is going to host the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in October 11-30, 2022?

- A. Australia B. New Zealand C. India
- D. West Indies E. None of these

#### 2. What is name of the cyclone that made landfall in Gujarat recently?

- A. Amphan B. Tauktae C. Nisarga
- D. Fani E. None of these

#### 3. Which organization has acquired 100 percent stake in ONGC Mangalore Petrochemicals (OMPL)?

- A. Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited
- B. Mangalore Hindustan Petroleum Limited
- C. Mangalore Indian Oil Corporation
- D. Mangalore Bharat Petroleum Limited
- E. None of these

# 4. Sir David Attenborough has been appointed as COP26 People's Advocate for the UN Climate Change Conference 2021. He is from which of the following countries?

- A. United States of America B. United Kingdom C. Russia
- D. Canada E. None of these

#### 5. Who among the following was sworn in as Kerala Chief Minister for the second time?

- A. Oommen Chandy B. Veenesh Vijayan C. Pinarayi Vijayan
- D. Kodiyeri Balakrishnan E. None of these



www.smartkeeda.com | testzone.smartkeeda.com SBI | RBI | IBPS | RRB | SSC | NIACL | EPFO | UGC NET | LIC | Railways | CLAT | RJS 6. Who among the following was the world's highest-paid athlete over the last year ahead of soccer players Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo, according to the annual Forbes list released?

- A. Dustin Poirier B. Khabib Nurmagomedov C. Conor McGregor
- D. Jorge Masvidal E. None of these

7. Who among the following has won Templeton Prize for work at intersection of science and spirituality?

- A. Dian Fossey B. Derek Bryceson C. Angel van Lawick
- D. Jane Goodall E. None of these

8. SEBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 5.25 crore on which company for making a misleading announcement regarding the buyback of shares in 2014?

- A. Cairn India B. Vedanta India C. Essar India
- D. Nayara Energy E. None of these
- 9. Which Insurance company has launched a Savings Plan Vision LifeIncome Plus Plan?
- A. Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance
- B. ICICI Prudential Technology
- C. Life Insurance Corporation
- D. Nippon India Pharma Fund
- E. None of these

10. Which company has entered into a partnership with Digital Swiss Gold (DSG) on Wednesday, which would allow users to trade in gold digitally in Switzerland?

- A. Aksh OptiFibre Limited
- B. Alankit Imaginations Limited
- C. Zee Learn Limited
- D. Urja Global Limited
- E. None of these



# **11.** Which of the following banks has recently become 1st bank to issue FPI license to AIF under GIFT IFSC?

A. Kotak Mahindra Bank	B. IndusInd Bank	C. HDFC Bank
D. ICICI Bank	E. None of these	

**12.** India and which country have renewed two agreements on military cooperation and maritime issues?

A. Yemen	B. Qatar	C. Oman

D. UAE E. None of these

## 13. Which platform has launched an innovation challenge, for developing an application on "Indian Language Learning"?

- A. MyGov.in B. Dot.gov.in C. India.gov.in
- D. Trai.gov.in E. None of these

14. Sunderlal Bahuguna pa	ssed away recently,	was a/an _		_ · _
A. Environmentalist	B. Economist	na	C. Architect	eda
D. Author	E. None of these			

#### 15. International Day for Biological Diversity was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. 21 May B. 22 May C. 23 May
- D. 20 May E. None of these

16. Microsoft has decided to retire iconic Internet Explorer on \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. 15 May 2022B. 15 June 2022C. 15 July 2022
- D. 15 August 2022 E. None of these

# 17. Who among the following has been re-elected as a member of the FIH Athletes' Committee during the virtual meeting of the world body's Executive Board?

A. Harmanpreet Singh B. Sreejesh Parattu Raveendran

C. Rupinder Pal Singh D. Krishan Pathak E. None of these



18. The Reserve Bank of India has increased the maximum amount outstanding in respect of full-KYC PPIs (KYC-compliant PPIs) from Rs. 1 lakh to \_\_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. Rs. 1.50 lakh B. Rs. 2 lakh C. Rs. 2.50 lakh
- D. Rs. 3 lakh E. None of these

19. The Reserve Bank of India is going transfer \_\_\_\_\_\_ surplus to the Central Government for the accounting period of nine months ended March 31, 2021 (July 2020-March 2021).

 A. Rs 92,122 crore
 B. Rs 96,122 crore
 C. Rs 90,122 crore

 D. Rs 99,122 crore
 E. None of these

20. Which of the following state governments has recently launched 'HIT Covid App' to ensure regular monitoring, tracking of home isolated patients?

A. Jharkhand B. West Bengal C. Gujarat D. Rajasthan E. None of these Smartkeeda



#### Correct answer:

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#### Explanation:

#### 1. Hints to Remember

Who: FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup

What: to be Held in India in October 2022

When: published on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

The 2022 FIFA under-17 Women's World Cup will be held in India from October 11 to 30, 2022, football's global governing body said. India was set to host the 2021 u-17 Women's World Cup before it was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The World Cup was originally to be played between November 2 and 21, 2020, before being postponed to 2021. It was to be staged from February 17-March 7.

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

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: Cyclone Tauktae

What: makes Landfall in Gujarat

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021

A powerful cyclone has battered India's west coast and made landfall in Gujarat after authorities evacuated hundreds of thousands of people.

Dubbed an "extremely severe cyclonic storm" by the Indian Meteorological Department, the cyclone, named Tauktae, brought with it wind speeds of 160 to 170 kilometres per hour (99.4 - 105.6 miles per hour) with gusts of up to 190 km/h (118 mph), storm surges and heavy rainfall.

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

#### 3. Hints to Remember

Who: MRPL

What: acquires 100% shares in OMPL from ONGC

When: published on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021



ONGC Mangalore Petrochemicals (OMPL), a subsidiary of Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals (MRPL), has now become a wholly-owned subsidiary of MRPL. This follows the acquisition of the remaining 0.00027776 percent share in OMPL by MRPL from ONGC.

A share purchase agreement (SPA) was executed with ONGC for the acquisition. An amount of Rs 12,16,73,40,561 was paid towards consideration for acquisition of 124,66,53,746 equity shares at a price of Rs 9.76 per share.

According to the SPA, ONGC transferred 124,66,53,746 shares of OMPL to MRPL's demat account on 1 January 2021. With this, the shareholding of MRPL in OMPL increased to 99.9998 percent.

A majority of the feed stocks (naphtha and aromatics streams) generated by the refinery complex of MRPL is being processed to produce paraxylene and benzene in OMPL. Paraxylene and benzene are exported through a dedicated 14 km long pipeline corridor through the jetty of New Mangalore Port Trust (NMPT).

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

Who: U.K.

What: names David Attenborough COP26 People's Advocate

When: published on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Britain has tasked naturalist David Attenborough with inspiring action to tackle the issue of climate change as its People's Advocate ahead of the United Nations' Climate Change Conference (COP26) in November in Glasgow, Scotland.

COP26 could accelerate measures by the world's biggest polluters to tackle climate change, which activists, scientists and world leaders say could ultimately endanger the planet.

Britain holds the presidency of the conference this year.

Attenborough, 95, the world's most influential wildlife broadcaster, will exhort leaders at events over the next six months to put climate and the protection of nature at the top of their agenda, including at the Group of Seven summit in Cornwall, southwest England, in June, the UK government said on Monday.

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

#### 5. Hints to Remember

Who: Pinarayi Vijayan

What: sworn in as Kerala Chief Minister for the second time

When: published on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021



CPM veteranPinarayi Vijayan took oath as the chief minister of Kerala for the second consecutive term on Thursday. Governor Arif Mohammad Khan administered the oath in the swearing-in ceremony which the Kerala high court allowed on the condition of only 500 invitees.

Vijayan's association with the Communist Paty of India Marxist goes back a long way as the 76-yearold started as a youth leader while he was studying at Government Brennen College.

In 1964, he joined the Communist Party, eventually became Kannur district secretary of Kerala Students' Federation (KSF), which became the Students Federation of India (SFI). He was arrested in 1975, during the Emergency. In 2002, he was elected to the politburo.

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

#### 6. Hints to Remember

Who: McGregor

What: tops Forbes' highest-paid athletes list

When: published on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Irish MMA fighter Conor McGregor was the world's highest-paid athlete over the last year ahead of soccer players Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo, according to the annual Forbes list released on Wednesday.

During the 12-month period ending May 1, 2021 McGregor earned \$180 million, a figure which includes \$158 million from endorsements and the recent sale of the majority stake of his whiskey brand, Forbes said.

Barcelona and Argentina forward Messi was second on the list and set a record as the highestearning soccer player after bringing home \$130 million while Portugal and Juventus forward Ronaldo earned \$120 million to sit third among the top 10 highest-paid athletes.

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

#### 7. Hints to Remember

Who: Jane Goodall

What: wins Templeton Prize for work at intersection of science and spirituality

When: published on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Primatologist, conservationist, and world-famous environmentalist Jane Goodall, DBE, won the 2021 Templeton Prize, a \$1.5 million award that recognizes achievements of people "harnessing the power of the sciences to explore the deepest questions of the universe and humankind's place and purpose within it."



Goodall, who joins a list of illustrious winners including Desmond Tutu (2013) and the Dalai Lama (2012), was awarded for her "scientific and spiritual curiosity" that yielded new insights on animal intelligence and how humanity connects with the species and ecosystems that surround us.

"We are delighted and honored to award Dr. Jane Goodall this year, as her achievements go beyond the traditional parameters of scientific research to define our perception of what it means to be human," said Heather Templeton Dill, president of the John Templeton Foundation. "Her discoveries have profoundly altered the world's view of animal intelligence and enriched our understanding of humanity in a way that is both humbling and exalting. Ultimately, her work exemplifies the kind of humility, spiritual curiosity, and discovery that my grandfather, John Templeton, wrote and spoke about during his life."

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

#### 8. Hints to Remember

Who: Sebi

What: imposes Rs 5.25 cr fine on Cairn India in share buyback case

When: published on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Markets regulator Sebi on Wednesday imposed a penalty of Rs 5.25 crore on Cairn India for making a misleading announcement regarding the buyback of shares in 2014.

In addition, the regulator levied a fine of Rs 15 lakh each on P Elango, who was the CEO and director of Cairn, Aman Mehta, who was the director on the company's board, and Neerja Sharma, who was director (risk assurance) and company secretary, Sebi said in an order.

These three officials had signed the public advertisement regarding the buyback in January 2014 and facilitated the company in making the misleading announcement.

After a detailed investigation, Sebi found that Cairn did not place adequate buy orders despite the availability of adequate sell orders at NSE.

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

#### 9. Hints to Remember

Who: Aditya Birla Sun Life

What: Insurance launches Vision LifeIncome Plus, A Plan to Suit the Customer's Money Needs at all life stages

When: published on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021



Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI), the life insurance subsidiary of Aditya Birla Capital Limited (ABCL), announced the launch of a hyper-flexible savings plan - ABSLI Vision LifeIncome Plus Plan that provides guaranteed regular income plus flexible bonus pay-outs.

This non-linked participating individual plan has been designed to offer various plan options which can be tailor-made to perfectly suit the customers' unique financial needs across different life-stages.

This savings plan provides the customer with the comfort of a guaranteed regular income for up to 30 years, to help them achieve their evolving life goals while reaping the benefits of a comprehensive life insurance cover. Additionally, the plan also provides completely flexible bonus pay-outs which can be accumulated for wealth creation or withdrawn at the customer's convenience for instant access to their money.

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

#### 10. Hints to Remember

Who: Alankit

What: ties-up with Digital Swiss Gold to offer platform for investment in gold

When: published on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Alankit Imaginations Ltd. entered into a partnership with Digital Swiss Gold (DSG) on Wednesday, which would allow users to trade in gold digitally in Switzerland.

According to a statement, investors could become Digital Swiss Gold members in minutes by opening an account on an app and obtaining Swiss Gold digitally starting at 1 gram after completing the KYC process.

Alankit Imaginations is a division of Alankit, a company that specialises in financial and digital solutions.

Alankit Ltd. Managing Director, Mr. Ankit Agarwal said, "The Reserve Bank of India's Liberalized Remittance Scheme allows individuals to purchase gold up to a maximum of US\$ 2,50,000 every financial year."

After completing the necessary formalities, a buyer can send gold to someone, and physical exchange of gold can occur after completing customs and other regulatory clearance, he said, adding that this is an opportunity to invest, and gold as an asset has offered a return of 10-12% over time.

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

#### 11. Hints to Remember

Who: Kotak Mahindra Bank

What: issues India's first FPI licence to GIFT AIF

When: published on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Kotak Mahindra Bank has issued the first-ever foreign portfolio investor (FPI) licence to the GIFT IFSC alternative investment fund (AIF) of True Beacon Global.

This is the first FPI licence issued to an AIF incorporated in GIFT IFSC by any custodian bank or designated depository participant (DDP) in the country.

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

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: India and Oman

What: renewed two agreements on military cooperation and maritime issues

When: published on May 2021

India and Oman on Thursday renewed two agreements on military cooperation and maritime issues, the defence ministry said.

The agreements will ensure the continuation of cooperation in specific areas of defence and security, officials said.

"India and Oman renewed the Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) on military cooperation along with its annexure as well as on maritime issues on May 20," the ministry said.

It said the signing ceremony of MoU on military cooperation was held at Oman''s ministry of defence in Muscat.

The document was signed by Secretary-General of Oman's defence ministry Dr Mohammed bin Nasser Al Zaabi and Indian Ambassador Munu Mahawar.

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

#### 13. Hints to Remember

Who: MyGov

What: launches Innovation Challenge for creating Indian Language Learning App

When: published on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021



MyGov, the citizen engagement platform of the Government has launched an Innovation Challenge for creating an Indian Language Learning App. This Innovation Challenge has been launched to take forward Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of celebrating India's cultural diversity through greater interaction.

MyGov has launched the Innovation Challenge to create an app that will enable individuals to learn simple sentences of any Indian language and acquire working knowledge of a language. The objective is to create an app that will promote regional language literacy, and create greater cultural understanding. The key parameters that will be looked into will include ease of use, simplicity, Graphical User Interface, gamification features, UI, UX and superior content, that makes it easy and fun to learn an Indian language.

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

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: Noted environmentalist Sunderlal Bahuguna

What: dies of Covid-19

When: published on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

Noted environmentalist and Chipko movement pioneer Sunderlal Bahuguna died at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Rishikesh on Friday after battling Covid-19 for several days. He was 94. He breathed his last at 12.05 pm, AIIMS Director Ravikant said.

Bahuguna, an eco-activist, spent his life persuading and educating the villagers to protest against the destruction of the forests and Himalayan mountains. It was his endeavor that saw then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi banning the cutting of tress. Bahuguna is best remembered for the slogan "ecology is the permanent economy".

Prime Minister Narendra Modi took to Twitter to express his grief over Bahuguna's demise saying, "it is a "monumental loss" for our nation, and he manifested our centuries-old ethos of living in harmony with nature."

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

Who: International Day for Biological Diversity

What: was observed on 22 May

Biodiversity plays a major role in maintaining the balance of the earth. It is the foundation of ecosystem services to which human well-being is intimately linked. All the variety of animals, plants, fungi, and even microorganisms like bacteria make up our natural world.



Each of these species and organisms works together in ecosystems, like an intricate web, to maintain balance and support life. If one of them gets extinct, then others will start getting endangered too.

As per un.org, "When biodiversity has a problem, humanity has a problem. Biological diversity resources are the pillars upon which we build civilizations. But the loss of biodiversity threatens all, including our health.

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

#### 16. Hints to Remember

Who: Microsoft

What: to retire iconic Internet Explorer on 15 June 2022

When: published on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Microsoft has announced to retire its iconic Internet Explorer (IE) browser in June 2022, as it envisions the future of Internet Explorer, which was launched in 1995, on Windows 10 in Microsoft Edge.

Over the last year, Microsoft is moving away from Internet Explorer support, such as an announcement of the end of IE support by Microsoft 365 online services.

"With Microsoft Edge capable of assuming this responsibility and more, the Internet Explorer 11 desktop application will be retired and go out of support on June 15, 2022, for certain versions of Windows 10," the company said in a statement on Wednesday.

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

#### 17. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian men's hockey team goalkeeper PR Sreejesh

What: re-elected as FIH Athletes' Committee member

When: published on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021

India goalkeeper Pr Sreejesh has been re-elected as a member of the FIH Athletes' Committee during the virtual meeting of the world body's Executive Board.

Sreejesh, who has played over 200 matches for the Indian team, said: "I have had the honour of being part of the FIH Athletes Committee since 2017. Over these past four years, I have grown not only individually as a player, but the opportunity with the FIH Athletes Committee provided me with a unique chance to understand, observe and express the views of my fellow hockey players."

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



#### 18. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: increases the limit for Full-KYC PPIs to Rs 2 lakh from Rs 1 lakh

When: published on 21st May 2021

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) makes interoperability mandatory for Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs). The central bank has advised banks and companies to enable interoperability by March 31, 2022. That means interoperability for mobile wallets will be in effect from the starting of the financial year FY23.

In the latest directions, RBI said that it shall be mandatory for PPI issuers to give the holders of full-KYC PPIs (KYC-compliant PPIs) interoperability through authorised card networks (for PPIs in the form of cards) and UPI (for PPIs in the form of electronic wallets).

Also, interoperability shall be mandatory on the acceptance side as well.

Further, PPIs for Mass Transit Systems (PPI-MTS) shall remain exempted from interoperability while Gift PPI issuers have the option to offer interoperability.

Moreover, RBI has increased the maximum amount outstanding in respect of full-KYC PPIs (KYC-compliant PPIs) to Rs2 lakh from Rs1 lakh.

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

#### 19. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: to transfer Rs 99,122 cr as dividend to govt, changes accounting year

When: published on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will transfer Rs 99,122 crore as surplus to the central government for the nine months ended March 31 (July 2020-March 2021), it said in a statement on Friday.

This is much higher than what most had estimated and what the government itself had budgeted for. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had earmarked a transfer of Rs 53,511 crore.

The transfer was approved on Friday, in the meeting of the regulator's central board, during which the RBI's annual report was also approved.

The central bank has changed its accounting period, aligning it with the fiscal calendar (April-March) from this year, instead of the earlier July-June calendar.

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

#### 20. Hints to Remember

Who: Bihar govt

What: launches 'HIT Covid App' to ensure regular monitoring, tracking of home isolated patients

When: published on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Bihar government launched 'HIT Covid App' to ensure regular monitoring and tracking of those Civid-19 patients, who are in home isolation across the state. HIT stands for home isolation tracking. Chief Minister Nitish Kumar said the app will help the health workers in regular monitoring of home - isolated patients.

Health workers will visit the patients at home every day and feed data in the app after measuring their temperature and oxygen level. These data will be monitored at the district level. If the oxygen level is below 94, the patient will be shifted to the nearby dedicated Covid health centres for proper treatment.

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







