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# Current Affairs Questions for CGL Tier 1, IBPS PO Pre, IBPS Clerk, IBPS PO, LIC AAO, RBI Assistant, SBI PO Pre and SBI Clerk Exams

## September GA Quiz 22

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

**1. What is the name of India's first CRISPR COVID-19 test?**

- A. Feluda                                      B. Byomkesh                                      C. Bimala  
D. Gora    E. None of these

**2. Which TV series won the Emmy award in the Outstanding Drama Series category?**

- A. Succession                                      B. Stranger Things                                      C. Ozark  
D. The Crown                                      E. None of these

**3. Which of the following countries has topped the total COVID-19 recoveries in the world?**

- A. United States                                      B. India    C. Russia  
D. Brazil    E. None of these

**4. For the first time in the history of Indian naval aviation, how many women officers have been selected to join the helicopter stream of the Indian Navy?**

- A. Three    B. Two    C. One  
D. Five    E. None of these

**5. India has extended \$250 million loan to \_\_\_\_\_ to deal with COVID economic impact 'without conditions'.**

- A. Maldives                                      B. Mauritius                                      C. Nepal  
D. Bangladesh                                      E. None of these

**6. How many beaches of India have been selected for the international eco-label, Blue flag certification?**

- A. 6    B. 11    C. 8  
D. 10    E. None of these

**7. World Alzheimer's Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?**

- A. September 21                                      B. September 20                                      C. September 19  
D. September 22                                      E. None of these

**8. International Red Panda Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?**

- A. September 19                                      B. September 18                                      C. September 17  
D. September 16                                      E. None of these

**9. International Day of Peace 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?**

- A. September 22                                      B. September 21                                      C. September 19  
D. September 18                                      E. None of these



**10. John Turner passed away recently, was former prime minister of which of the following countries?**

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

**11. Which of the following group of the companies is to launch India's first low cost Covid-19 test 'Feluda'?**

- A. Reliance Industries Limited  
B. Aditya Birla Group  
C. Tata Group  
D. Adani Group  
E. None of these

**12. A high-level taskforce led by which person, will initiate action in advance for the management of air pollution in the National Capital Region (NCR)?**

- A. Nripendra Misra  
B. Pradeep Kumar Sinha  
C. Rajiv Gauba  
D. Pramod Kumar Mishra  
E. None of these

**13. Who among the following has been awarded the Ig Nobel Prize 2020 for Medical Education?**

- A. M. Venkaiah Naidu  
B. Amit Shah  
C. Narendra Modi  
D. Harsh Vardhan  
E. None of these

**14. Which company has announced the launch of a grant program in India to support women entrepreneurs with its global partner, IFundWomen?**

- A. American Express  
B. Apple  
C. Oracle  
D. Visa  
E. None of these

**15. Which of the following companies has recently announced a collaboration with Google to enable customers to use their cards on Google Pay platform?**

- A. HDFC Bank  
B. SBI Card  
C. Bajaj Finance Limited  
D. RBL Bank  
E. None of these

**16. SBI Life Insurance has inked a bancassurance pact with which of the following banks in a bid to offer a comprehensive collection of life insurance solutions to the lender's customers around the country?**

- A. Yes Bank  
B. Punjab National Bank  
C. Bank of Baroda  
D. ICICI Bank  
E. None of these

**17. State Bank of India (SBI) started a programme by the name "Mahila Atmanirbharshil Aachani" (Women Self-Reliance programme) in which of the following states?**

- A. Tripura  
B. Jharkhand  
C. Chhattisgarh  
D. Assam  
E. None of these

**18. The Konkan Railway delivered two modern Diesel-Electric Multiple Unit (DMUC) trains to which country?**

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



19. The first ever Cargo Ferry Service between India and \_\_\_\_\_ was jointly launched on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020 opening a new chapter in connectivity initiatives in the Indian Ocean Region?

- A. Mali                                      B. Cuba                                      C. Maldives  
D. Vietnam                                    E. None of these

20. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of nine highway projects and a digital initiative - "Har Gaon Optical Fibre Cable" - to boost internet services in which of the following states?

- A. Jharkhand                                    B. Chhattisgarh                                    C. Madhya Pradesh  
D. Bihar                                        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
D	A	B	B	A	C	A	A	B	A	C	D	C	D	B	A	D	C	C	D

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Feluda

**What:** is first CRISPR COVID-19 test

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Fast, accurate and accessible testing can transform the way India is dealing with tracking and halting the spread of coronavirus COVID-19 and Tata Sons has deployed the investigative skills of a homegrown Feluda, much like the fictional Bengali sleuth it is named after, to help India solve the mystery of this pandemic.

The commercial launch of 'Feluda', the Tata CRISPR (Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats) COVID-19 test, has been approved by the Drugs Controller General of India. This test uses an indigenously developed, cutting-edge CRISPR technology for detection of the genomic sequence of SARS-CoV-2 virus, according to the CSIR. [\(Read more\)](#)

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Succession

**What:** wins Outstanding Drama Series at 2020 Emmy Awards

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Succession continued HBO's Outstanding Drama Series Emmy reign Sunday night, winning the coveted top category for the premium cable network.

The victory marks the third year in a row HBO has taken the Television Academy's big prize, with Game of Thrones (which is no longer eligible after ending in 2019) dominating the category the prior two years.

Succession won for its acclaimed second season, which continued following a media mogul family amid their internal power struggles. [\(Read more\)](#)

**3. Hints to Remember**



**Who:** India

**What:** tops total global Covid-19 recoveries

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

India occupies the top position in the world in terms of total coronavirus recoveries as the country constitutes 19 per cent of total global recoveries, said the Union Ministry of Health.

"India occupies the top position in the world in terms of total recoveries. More than 43 lakhs have recovered. India's recoveries constitute 19% of total global recoveries," Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) said in a tweet quoting the statistics given by Worldometers.[\(Read more\)](#)

#### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Women power in Indian Navy! Female officers

**What:** selected as Airborne Tacticians in the helicopter stream

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

For the first time in the history of Indian naval aviation, two women officers have been selected to join as "Observers" (Airborne Tacticians) in the helicopter stream. They are the crew of the Multi-role Helicopters – presently the Seakings and will later on the crew of MH-60R anti-submarine helicopters.

It means that they will be the first women airborne combatants and they would be operating from warships. According to the Indian Navy, entry of the women was earlier just restricted to the fixed-wing aircraft. And these fixed-wing aircraft would take off and landed ashore.[\(Read more\)](#)

#### 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** extends \$250 million loan to Maldives to deal with COVID economic impact 'without conditions'

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020

India has formally extended the \$250 million loan to Maldives government to deal with the economic impact of the COVID crisis.

It was handed over at a ceremony in Maldivian capital Malé in the presence of Maldives Foreign Minister Abdulla Shahid, Finance Minister Ibrahim Ameer, Indian High Commissioner Sunjay Sudhir and CEO of SBI in Male, Bharat Mishra.[\(Read more\)](#)

#### 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** 8 Indian Beaches

**What:** Set to Rank Among the World's Cleanest Beaches



**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

For the first time, eight beaches of India have been recommended for the prestigious international eco-label, Blue Flag. It is one of the world's most recognised voluntary eco-labels awarded to beaches, marinas, and sustainable boating tourism operators.

Blue Flag beaches are considered to be the cleanest beaches in the world.

Blue Flag winners not only have to meet a series of stringent environmental, educational, safety, and accessibility criteria but also maintain them.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** World Alzheimer's Day 2020

**What:** was observed on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

September 21st every year is World Alzheimer's Day around the world. This is an international campaign aimed at raising awareness and challenge the common stigma that surrounds Alzheimer related dementia.

Alzheimer's is a progressive disease that impairs memory and other mental functions. It is the most common form of dementia that generalizes memory loss and loss of other essential cognitive abilities that are serious enough to interfere with an individual's daily life.

## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** International Red Panda Day 2020

**What:** was observed on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2020

International Red Panda Day, celebrated third Saturday of September every year, aims to raise public awareness and support for red panda conservation issues. Endemic to the eastern Himalayas and southwestern China, red pandas are facing the threat of extinction due to poaching, habitat destruction and fragmentation and inbreeding depression.

The exact number of individuals of the species that exist in the wild is not known today, but some estimates report it to be as low as 10,000 mature individuals; therefore the IUCN List classifies it as an 'endangered' species.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 9. Hints to Remember

**Who:** International Day of Peace 2020

**What:** was observed on September 21



Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

This year, it has been clearer than ever that we are not each other's enemies. Rather, our common enemy is a tireless virus that threatens our health, security and very way of life. COVID-19 has thrown our world into turmoil and forcibly reminded us that what happens in one part of the planet can impact people everywhere. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** John Turner: Former Canadian prime minister

**What:** dies at 91

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Former Canadian Prime Minister John Turner, who was in office for just 79 days and led his Liberal Party to a huge defeat in 1984, has died aged 91.

A lawyer by training, he served as justice and then finance minister from 1968-1975. He resigned after arguments with party leader Pierre Trudeau.

Turner resumed his legal work and nine years later won the party leadership.

He called an election and then presided over what observers say was one of the worst campaigns in Canadian history. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Tata group

**What:** to launch India's first low cost Covid-19 test 'Feluda'

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

The Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) on Saturday gave approval for the commercial launch of India's first Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats (CRISPR) coronavirus test 'Feluda', developed by the Tata Group and CSIR-IGIB (Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology).

"This test uses an indigenously developed, cutting-edge CRISPR technology for detection of the genomic sequence of SARS-CoV-2 virus. CRISPR is a genome-editing technology to diagnosing diseases," said the release.

As per an official release issued Ministry of Science and Technology, The Tata CRISPR test, powered by CSIR-IGIB, received regulatory approvals from DCGI for commercial launch, as per ICMR guidelines, meeting high-quality benchmarks with 96% sensitivity and 98% specificity for detecting the novel coronavirus. [\(Read more\)](#)





## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** PMO-led panel

**What:** to initiate action in advance for managing air pollution in NCR

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020

A high-level taskforce led by the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) will initiate action in advance for the management of air pollution in the National Capital Region (NCR), said the PMO on Saturday.

As per an official release, a high-level task force led by Dr P K Mishra, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister will review action taken by agencies and firm up plans for the coming season on September 18.

"Principal Secretary to Prime Minister Dr PK Mishra chaired the meeting of the high-level task force constituted to improve the air quality in the National Capital Region of Delhi.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** PM Narendra Modi

**What:** awarded Ig Nobel Prize 2020 for medical education

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been awarded the Ig Nobel Prize 2020 for Medical Education. Modi was awarded the prize for "using the COVID-19 pandemic to teach the world that politicians can have a more immediate effect on life and death than scientists and doctors can".

Besides Modi, the medical education prize was jointly awarded to Jair Bolsonaro of Brazil, Boris Johnson of the United Kingdom, Andrés Manuel López Obrador of Mexico, Alexander Lukashenko of Belarus, Donald Trump of the USA, Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey, Vladimir Putin of Russia, and Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedow of Turkmenistan.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Visa

**What:** launches grant program in India to support women entrepreneurs

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Visa the global leader in digital payments technology on Monday announced the launch of a grant program in India to support women entrepreneurs with its global partner, IFundWomen.



As an extension of two successful programs launched in the US this year, women entrepreneurs in India will now receive funding from Visa to grow and expand their business.

IFundWomen, the go-to marketplace for women-owned businesses and all the people who want to support them with access to capital, coaching and connections.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 15. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Google Pay

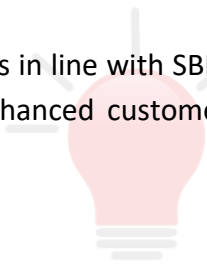
**What:** introduces tap-to-pay option for SBI Card users in India

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

India's largest credit card issuer SBI Card on Monday announced a collaboration with Google to enable customers to use their cards on Google Pay platform.

Users will now be able to make card payments using Google Pay app on their Android smartphones in three modes -- via tap-and-pay at near field communication (NFC) enabled point-of-sale terminals, by scanning Bharat QR code at the merchant as well as online payments without using the physical credit card.

The launch is in line with SBI Card's endeavour to promote zero contact, digital forms of payments for safe and enhanced customer experience. The brand has a customer base of over one crore.[\(Read more\)](#)



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## 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** SBI Life

**What:** signs bancassurance pact with Yes Bank

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

SBI Life Insurance has inked a bancassurance pact with private lender Yes Bank in a bid to offer a comprehensive collection of life insurance solutions to the lender's customers around the country.

As part of the alliance, SBI Life's wide range of individual and group insurance offerings would be provided to the customers of Yes Bank via bank's branches spread across 28 states and 8 Union Territories in India.

The agreement was inked by Rajan Pental, Global Head – Retail Banking, Yes Bank and AVS Sivaramakrishna, Regional Director-Mumbai region, SBI Life Insurance, along with Mahesh Kumar Sharma, MD & CEO, SBI Life, and Ravi Krishnamurthy, President-Zone 1, SBI Life, among others.[\(Read more\)](#)



## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** SBI

**What:** starts women self-reliance programme in Assam

**When:** published on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2020

To accelerate SHG finance in the Bank in a mission mode, State Bank of India (SBI) started a programme by the name "Mahila Atmanirbharshil Aachani" (Women Self-Reliance programme).

SBI stated that women SHGs are very active and credit worthy in rural areas of Assam as it relies on social collateral rather than on financial collateral. It also empowers the women by encouraging them to create their micro enterprises for self-reliance and to maintain a sustainable economic condition.

SBI stated, " In order to accelerate SHG finance in the Bank in a mission mode and also to percolate the very essence of Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhijan launched by Prime Minister of India to the ground level, SBI launched a programme by the name "Mahila Atmanirbharshil Aachani" (Women Self-Reliance programme) in Assam .([Read more](#))

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** Delivers Two Diesel-Electric Multiple Unit Trains To Nepal

**When:** published on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020

India has handed over two modern trains to Nepal that would run between Jaynagar in Bihar and Kurtha in Dhanusa district from mid-December, marking the beginning of the first broad-gauge railway service in the Himalayan nation, officials said on Saturday.

The Konkan Railway delivered two modern Diesel-Electric Multiple Unit (DMUC) trains to the Nepal Railway for Jaynagar-Kurtha broad gauge line on Friday. These trains are manufactured by Integrated Coach Factory, Chennai with modern amenities and latest AC-AC propulsion technology.

The Indian technicians and the Nepal Railway staff were welcomed at various locations when the trains arrived in the country from India on Friday.([Read more](#))

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** launches first ever cargo ferry with Maldives: Milestone in Indian Ocean connectivity initiatives

**When:** published on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

The first ever Cargo Ferry Service between India and the Maldives was jointly launched on Monday opening a new chapter in connectivity initiatives in the Indian Ocean Region.



Mansukh L. Mandaviya, Minister of State for Shipping (Independent Charge) and Aishath Nahula, Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation of the Maldives in a virtual ceremony.

The ceremony was also attended by representatives from Tuticorin and Cochin ports, as well as officials from the Maldives Ports Limited (MPL) and the Foreign Ministry of Maldives.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** PM

**What:** Lays Foundation Stone Of Over ₹ 14,000 Crore Highway Projects In Bihar

**When:** published on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday laid the foundation stone of nine highway projects and a digital initiative - "Har Gaon Optical Fibre Cable" - to boost internet services in Bihar.

"History has witnessed that only that nation progresses, which invests heavily on infrastructure. Today, highways are being constructed at double the earlier speed. Investment on road construction has also been increased five times," PM Modi said at the event.

He further said that Bihar is one of the biggest beneficiary of infrastructure development.[\(Read more\)](#)



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