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September GA Quiz 23

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

1. _____ and the Indian School of Public Policy (ISPP) have joined hands for training, mentoring and capacity building of government officials as well as public policy scholars.

- A. National Development Council
B. Ministry of External Affairs
C. NITI Aayog
D. Reserve Bank of India
E. None of these

2. Which of the following ministries has signed MoU with Ministry of AYUSH for integration of AYUSH systems with ongoing nutrition interventions under the ICDS program?

- A. Ministry of Home Affairs
B. Ministry of Tribal Affairs
C. Ministry of External Affairs
D. Ministry of Women and Child Development
E. None of these

3. ITBP has recently partnered with which of the following state governments to promote adventure tourism at Tehri Lake?

- A. Himachal Pradesh
B. Uttar Pradesh
C. Bihar
D. Punjab
E. None of these

4. Which of the following states has become first state to unveil ethical AI, blockchain, cybersecurity policies in country?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
B. Jharkhand
C. Tamil Nadu
D. Maharashtra
E. None of these

5. World Rose Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?

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

6. World Car Free Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?

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

7. World Rhino Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. September 19
B. September 18
C. September 20
D. September 21
E. None of these

8. Who among the following is the author of the book titled "Voices of Dissent"?

- A. Irfan Habib
B. Romila Thapar
C. Meenakshi Jain
D. Karan Thapar
E. None of these



9. Name the person who in her 80s became a legal, cultural and feminist icon, passed away recently.

- A. Elena Kagan B. Stephen Breyer C. Ruth Bader Ginsburg
D. Clarence Thomas E. None of these

10. Who among the following has recently won the 2020 Italian Open title?

- A. Novak Djokovic B. Roger Federer C. Andy Murray
D. Milos Raonic E. None of these

11. On 21st September 2020, which of the following organizations has set up a technical group on social stock exchange to develop a framework for onboarding non-profit organisations and for-profit enterprises as well as prescribe disclosure requirements on financials and governance?

- A. SEBI B. Reserve Bank of India C. NABARD
D. State Bank of India E. None of these

12. Bah Ndaw has been named as president of which country's new transition government?

- A. Cuba B. Mali C. Brazil
D. Chile E. None of these

13. Who among the following has been appointed as one of the seven members of the Asian Football Confederation's task force for regulating football clubs in Asia and Australia?

- A. Ansh Deep Pal B. Rajendra Kumar Garg C. Girija Shanker Mungali
D. Ashok Singh Rajpal E. None of these

14. On 22nd September HDFC Life Insurance Company Limited has entered into a corporate agency arrangement with which of the following banks?

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

15. Which of the following banks has set up a new vertical called Emerging Entrepreneurs Business (EEB) to assist this segment in becoming entrepreneurs?

- A. RBL Bank B. IndusInd Bank C. Bandhan Bank
D. Axis Bank E. None of these

16. As per the NASA's study, Greenhouse Emissions to add 15 inches to global sea level rise by which year?

- A. 2075 B. 2080 C. 2095
D. 2100 E. None of these

17. Which UT and Army signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for development and operationalization of Airstrip in Kishtwar?

- A. Jammu and Kashmir B. Delhi C. Puducherry
D. Ladakh E. None of these



18. The Central Government has sanctioned Rs. 108 crore under UDAN scheme for upgradation of three airports in which of the following states?

- A. Bihar B. Jharkhand C. Madhya Pradesh
D. Chhattisgarh E. None of these

19. Which of the following companies has announced the acquisition of Australian IT firm DWS Ltd for \$115.8 million in a bid to further expand its digital offerings especially in Australia and New Zealand?

- A. Tata Consultancy Services B. Tech Mahindra
C. HCL Technologies D. Wipro E. None of these

20. Who among the following has taken oath as a member of the Rajya Sabha?

- A. Inder Kumar Gujral B. P. V. Narasimha Rao C. H. D. Deve Gowda
D. H. D. Kumaraswamy E. None of these



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Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
C	D	E	C	A	A	E	B	C	A	A	B	C	D	C	D	A	D	C	C

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Niti Aayog, ISPP

What: Join Hands For Capacity Building

When: published on 19th September 2020

Niti Aayog and the Indian School of Public Policy (ISPP) have joined hands for training, mentoring and capacity building of government officials as well as public policy scholars, a statement said.

The Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO) of the Aayog has signed a statement of intent with the ISPP to build a collaboration for faster intermediation of knowledge and use within the public system, the statement said.

While under communications and outreach, evidence building exercises, organising joint conferences and podcast series will be conducted wherein ISPP scholars will interact and interview the DMEO and Niti Aayog's experts on current policy issues, evaluations and perspectives, the ISPP said. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Ministry of Women and Child Development

What: signs MoU with Ministry of AYUSH for integration of AYUSH systems with ongoing nutrition interventions under the ICDS program

When: published on 20th September 2020

The Ministry of Women and Child Development has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) to work together to control the menace of malnutrition through integration of AYUSH systems with the ongoing nutrition interventions under the Umbrella ICDS program. The MoU was signed by Shri Ram Mohan Mishra, Secretary, WCD and Vaidya Shri Rajesh Kotecha, in the presence of Smt Smriti Zubin Irani, Union Minister for Women & Child Development and Textiles, and Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of AYUSH, who joined the signing ceremony through videoconferencing.

Describing the MoU between the two Ministries as a milestone in the efforts to eradicate malnutrition, Smt Smriti Zubin Irani said that along with the target of having a Nutrigarden in each Anganwadi, medicinal gardens will also be developed in identified Anganwadi centres. Women and



children will get the benefit of Yoga classes in AWCs. She expressed optimism that together science and ayurveda will help in achieving optimum nutritional standards among the target groups. Shri Shripad Yesso Naik said that AYUSH practices are deep-rooted in Indian tradition. He expressed appreciation that the Ministry of Women & Child Development and the Ministry of AYUSH have come together with the common objective to eliminate malnutrition and improve the health of people, especially women and children.[\(Read more\)](#)

3. Hints to Remember

Who: ITBP, Uttarakhand govt

What: to promote adventure tourism at Tehri Lake

When: published on 22nd September 2020

The Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) and Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board (UTDB) on Monday joined hands to promote adventure sports activities at Tehri Lake.

Gambhir Singh Chauhan, Deputy Inspector General of Police (DIG), ITBP, and Prashant Arya, Director of UTDB signed a memorandum of understanding in this regard, according to a statement.

With this, the Tehri Lake Adventure Institute will now be administered and managed by ITBP for 20 years from now.[\(Read more\)](#)



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4. Hints to Remember

Who: Tamil Nadu

What: becomes first state to unveil ethical AI, blockchain, cybersecurity policies in country

When: published on 19th September 2020

Tamil Nadu becomes the first state to come out with Tamil Nadu Safe and Ethical Artificial Intelligence (AI), Blockchain and Cybersecurity policies in the country.

The policies were unveiled by Chief Minister Edapaddi K Palaniswami during the valedictory session of the 19th edition of Connect 2020.

Highlighting that Tamil Nadu continues to be a “Destination of Choice” for the IT and IT-enabled services sector in India, the chief minister said that the state would soon be rolling out Knowledge Proof Identity Based Services Delivery Project, which will revolutionise the way government services are offered to citizens.

The project will be implemented by establishing and leveraging the State Family Data Base (SFDB) and Block-Chain Backbone infrastructure.[\(Read more\)](#)



5. Hints to Remember

Who: World Rose Day 2020

What: was observed on 22nd September

The World Rose Day is observed on September 22 every year to bring happiness and joy to the lives of cancer patients. This day is also marked to spread awareness about cancer amongst the people and tell them how they can detect the many types of cancers.

On this day, hand-made roses, cards, and gifts are also offered to the patients suffering from cancer. Special workshops, events are organized to bring joy and strength to cancer patients.

This day is observed in the memory of Melinda Rose from Canada who was diagnosed with Askin's Tumour, which is a rare form of blood cancer when she was just 12. The doctors in Canada had given Melinda just weeks after the diagnosis, but Melinda was a fighter who never gave up hope of defeating cancer and she went on to live for six months. She touched the lives of several people; she gave hope to many patients suffering from the same disease. During her fight against the disease, she wrote verses, little notes, and e-mails to cancer patients giving hope, she wrote emails, notes to cancer patients to spread cheer and joy. [\(Read more\)](#)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: World Car Free Day 2020

What: was observed on September 22

Coronavirus outbreak in the country has forced the public to use their own transport mode and one of the most viable solution's is a bicycle. As September 22 is celebrated as World Car-Free Day, a day when most of the Bengaluru motorists are encouraged to give up their cars and choose a more environmentally friendly vehicle. Greenpeace India decided to observe World Car-Free Day by sending out a strong message on the streets.

Volunteers in Bengaluru set out on the morning of Tuesday to hold placards uring motorists to dump their fossil-fuel run vehicles and choose cycling or walking instead. Greenpeace Volunteers in Bengaluru gathered at Cubbon Park, one of the last remaining lung spaces in the chaotic city. [\(Read more\)](#)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: World Rhino Day 2020

What: was observed on 22nd September

Every year on September 22, the world celebrates World Rhinoceros Day. The day intends to celebrate rhinos across the world in unique ways. The World Rhinoceros Day was announced by the World



Wildlife Fund (WWF) in 2010. Meant for Asian and African species of rhinoceros, the day celebrates the animal and encourages people to take steps for its conservation.

One of the five rhinoceros species living in Africa and Asia have been declared 'critically endangered'. These species are- Javan Rhinos, Sumatran rhinos and black rhinos. The White Rhinos have been declared 'near threatened' while one-horned rhinos are said to be vulnerable to extinction.[\(Read more\)](#)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: “Voices of Dissent”

What: authored by Historian Romila Thapar

When: published on 22nd September 2020

The New book titled “Voices of Dissent” authored by Historian Romila Thapar will be jointly published by Penguin Random House India and Seagull Books. The book is set to publish in October 2020.

The book is a historical essay that explores dissent, including its articulation and public response to its forms, with a focus on the recent protest in India against the citizenship law and the National Register of Citizens.

In this book the Romila Thapar speaks about the emergence of various groups like the Jains, Buddhists and Ajivikas who were collectively known as Shramanas and 1st millennium BC.

She explores the ideas of the few Bhakti saints of the 15th and 16th centuries and portrays the major moments of dissents (satyagraha of Mahatma Gandhi) that resulted in establishing a free and democratic India.

She highlights the use of idioms of religion as reflecting social change which resulted in the current politicization of religion.

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Champion Of Gender Equality

What: Dies At 87

When: published on 18th September 2020

Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, the demure firebrand who in her 80s became a legal, cultural and feminist icon, died Friday. The Supreme Court announced her death, saying the cause was complications from metastatic cancer of the pancreas.

The court, in a statement, said Ginsburg died at her home in Washington, D.C., surrounded by family. She was 87.[\(Read more\)](#)



10. Hints to Remember

Who: Novak Djokovic

What: wins fifth Italian Open title, sets sight on French Open 2020

When: published on 22nd September 2020

World number one Novak Djokovic overcame a sluggish start to lift his fifth Italian Open title on Monday, defeating Argentine Diego Schwartzman 7-5 6-3 for a record 36th ATP Masters crown. Playing in his maiden ATP 1000 final, eighth seed Schwartzman raced out of the blocks to convert two break point opportunities for a 3-0 lead as Novak Djokovic's usually clinical backhand offered up some errors. An on-and-off drizzle at Foro Italico, which included a smattering of fans, added to Djokovic's frustration but he still found a way past Schwartzman's serve to draw level at 3-3.

Djokovic's relentless baseline hitting came to the fore when he broke Schwartzman in the 12th game to take the opening set, despite committing 18 unforced errors. Schwartzman, who outplayed defending champion Rafa Nadal in the quarter-finals, snatched another early break in the second set but Djokovic was quick to respond. [\(Read more\)](#)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: Sebi

What: constitutes technical group on social stock exchange

When: published on 21st September 2020

SEBI set up a technical group on social stock exchange to develop a framework for onboarding non-profit organisations and for-profit enterprises as well as prescribe disclosure requirements on financials and governance.

The group will also prescribe disclosure requirements relating to performance and dwell upon aspects related to social impact and social audit, Sebi said in a statement.

The regulator has constituted the technical group under the chairmanship of Harsh Kumar Bhanwala, former chairman of Nabard. [\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Bah Ndaw

What: named Mali's interim president, colonel named VP

When: published on 21st September 2020

Mali's former defence minister, Bah Ndaw, has been named as president of the country's new transition government.



Colonel Assimi Goita, the leader of the National Committee for the Salvation of the People (CNSP) which overthrew Mali's President Ibrahim Boubacar Keita, was appointed vice president, state television announced on Monday.

The transitional government is to be inaugurated on September 25.[\(Read more\)](#)

13. Hints to Remember

Who: Retd Col Girija Shankar Mungali

What: named in AFC task-force

When: published on 18th September 2020

Pune based retired Colonel Dr Girija Shanker Mungali has been appointed as one of the seven members of the Asian Football Confederation's task force for regulating football clubs in Asia and Australia.

Mungali, who is also currently serving as the Chairman of the Club Licensing Committee of the All India Football Federation (AIFF), is the only Indian to be appointed on this committee.

According to a statement issued here, the retired Army officer plans to use this platform to promote and create opportunities for young and upcoming footballers especially from the rural areas of the country.[\(Read more\)](#)



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14. Hints to Remember

Who: HDFC Life Insurance, Yes Bank

What: enter into corporate agency arrangement

When: published on 22nd September 2020

HDFC Life Insurance Company Limited has entered into a corporate agency arrangement with Yes Bank, the company announced on Tuesday. The arrangement will enable Yes Bank to sell a range of life insurance products including solutions for protection, savings and investment, retirement and others, to its customers.

Life insurance is an important financial tool for covering the risk of mortality, morbidity and longevity.

Every individual with responsibilities needs adequate life insurance to ensure that their family is financially protected in their absence.[\(Read more\)](#)



15. Hints to Remember

Who: Bandhan Bank

What: new vertical to help entrepreneurs

When: published on 17th September 2020

Bandhan Bank has created a new vertical — Emerging Entrepreneurs Business (EEB) — to serve unbanked and underbanked entrepreneurs. In addition to microloans, the vertical will also manage micro home loan, micro bazaar loan and micro enterprise loan.

To spearhead EEB, the city-based bank has recently appointed Kumar Ashish as executive president and head (EEB). Ashish is a veteran banker with over 26 years of experience in setting up and managing businesses of significant scale in retail and business banking, rural banking, microfinance, agri banking and treasury. He spent about two decades at ICICI Bank. [\(Read more\)](#)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Greenhouse Emissions

What: to add 15 inches to global sea level rise by 2100

When: published on 18th September 2020

Greenland and Antarctica's ice sheets could together contribute more than 38 centimetres to global sea level rise by 2100, if greenhouse gas emissions continue, according to a study led by NASA. The findings are in line with projections in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC) 2019 Special Report on Oceans and the Cryosphere or portions of Earth's surface where water is in solid form, NASA said.

Meltwater from ice sheets contribute about a third of the total global sea level rise, it said. The IPCC report projected that Greenland would contribute 8 to 27 cm to global sea level rise between 2000-2100 and Antarctica could contribute 3 to 28 cm, according to the US space agency. The findings, published in the journal The Cryosphere, come from the Ice Sheet Model Intercomparison Project (ISMIP6) led by NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center. [\(Read more\)](#)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Army

What: to develop airstrip in Kishtwar, MoU inked

When: published on 22nd September 2020

The Government of Jammu & Kashmir and Army today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for development and operationalization of Airstrip in Kishtwar.



Brig. Vikram Bhan, Commander, 9 Sector RR and Sh. S.Katoch, Commissioner Civil Aviation signed the MoU in the presence of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha and Dr. Jitendra Singh, MoS PMO, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy, Space, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (through video conferencing) here at the Raj Bhavan.

The Lt Governor observed that the Airstrip would provide a vital connectivity to the Kishtwar District to benefit both Defence personnel and Civilians, even during the severe winter conditions and for medical & other emergencies, besides giving a fillip to the socio-economic development of the region.[\(Read more\)](#)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: The Central Government

What: has sanctioned Rs. 108 crore under UDAN scheme for upgradation of three Chhattisgarh Airports

When: published on 21st September 2020

The Central Government has sanctioned Rs. 108 crore under UDAN scheme for upgradation of three Chhattisgarh Airports.

Out of the total amount, Rs. 48 crore have been sanctioned for Jagdalpur, Rs. 27 crore for Ambikapur and Rs. 33 crore for Bilaspur under UDAN scheme for up-gradation and development of these Airports.

Speaking at the inauguration of flight operations by Alliance Air from Jagdalpur to Raipur and Hyderabad under UDAN scheme, Civil Aviation Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said that this air connectivity will fulfil the aspirations of people of the region and provide impetus to the local economy.[\(Read more\)](#)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: HCL tech

What: acquires Australian IT firm DWS for \$115.8 million

When: published on 22nd September 2020

HCL Technologies has announced the acquisition of Australian IT firm DWS Ltd for \$115.8 million in a bid to further expand its digital offerings especially in Australia and New Zealand.

The DWS Group closed FY 2020 with revenues of \$ 122.9 million and has over 700 employees with operations in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide, Brisbane, and Canberra. It provides a wide range of IT services including digital transformation, application development and support, programme and project management and consulting.[\(Read more\)](#)



20. Hints to Remember

Who: HD Deve Gowda

What: Takes Rajya Sabha Oath, "Good Addition," Says Chairman

When: published on 20th September 2020

Former prime minister H D Deve Gowda on Sunday took oath as a member of the Rajya Sabha.

Mr Gowda, 87, was in June elected to the Rajya Sabha from Karnataka. This is the first time that the JD(S) leader has become a member of the Upper House since 1996.

When the House met for the day, Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu called for oath-taking by newly elected members.[\(Read more\)](#)



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