



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**

A. China

D. United States

September GA Quiz 25	<u>5</u>							
Directions: Study the follow	ving questions carefully and ar	nswers the questions given below:						
·	• ,	ion Bank of India general manager AK Dixit as the						
new administrator of which								
A. Andhra Bank	B. Dena Bank	C. Punjab and Maharashtra Co-operative Bank						
D. Saraswat Bank	E. None of these	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,						
2. Who among the following	ng has recently won the Golde	en Pen of Freedom Award?						
A. Claudia Palacios	B. Juanita León	C. Jineth Bedoya Lima						
D. Fernando Quiroz	E. None of these							
3. Ashalata Wabgaonkar w	vho passed away recently, wa	s a renowned						
A. Actor	B. Politician	C. Social Activist						
D. Film Produce	E. None of these							
4. Which of the following	is the 1st Indian company to	manufacture indigenous composites sonar dome						
(to be mounted on P15 Alp	oha)?							
A. Valeth Composites <mark>Limit</mark>	ed	B. Kineco Limited						
C. IndoCool Limited	D. Hindustan Composites	E. None of these						
5. India's iCreate has sign innovation & start-ups?	ed MoU with which country	's start-up nation central to collaborate in tech						
A. Iran	B. Georgia	C. Israel						
D. Russia	E. None of these							
6. Which of the followin	g departments has launche	d Programme for "Strengthening Clinical Tria						
Research Capacity in Neigh	nbouring Countries"?							
A. Department of Biotechn	ology	B. Department of Science and Technology						
C. Indian Institute of Techn	ology Delhi	D. Indian Council of Medical Research						
E. None of these								
7. Government of India h	as raised limit for use of the	State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) funds by						
states from 35 per cent to	to tackle COVI	D situation.						
A. 45 per cent	B. 40 per cent	C. 55 per cent						
D. 50 per cent	E. None of these	·						
8. India and which country	is to hold a virtual Water Par	tnership Forum to discuss ways to collaborate or						
issues pertaining to water	conservation and infrastructu	re development?						



C. United Kingdom

B. Japan

E. None of these

9. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) commenced work on the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the Hanimaadhoo International Airport expansion project in which of the following countries?

A. Maldives B. Thailand C. Malaysia

D. Vietnam E. None of these

10. Which of the following banks is going to launch contactless debit card-based payment facility, SafePay, next week allowing transactions up to Rs 20,000 per day?

A. ICICI Bank B. HDFC Bank C. IDFC First Bank

D. Axis Bank E. None of these

11. Which state's Krushi Bhavan has won 10th Annual AZ Awards 2020?

A. Madhya Pradesh B. Uttar Pradesh C. Punjab

D. Haryana E. None of these

12. Personal computers brand Acer India has roped in which actor as its brand ambassador?

A. Sonu Sood B. Prabhu Deva C. Ranveer Singh

D. Akshay Kumar E. None of these

13. Who among the following has got 1-year extension on IL&FS board?

A. Shiv Nadar B. Anand Mahindra C. Dilip Shanghvi

D. Uday Kotak E. None of these

14. Which company has announced the appointment of Rajat Sud as its new Managing Director, taking over from S. Gopal?

A. NLC India Limited B. Energy Efficiency Services Limited

C. NTPC Limited D. Power Grid Limited E. None of these

15. Who among the following has become Somalia's prime minister after getting unanimous approval from lawmakers?

A. Bashar al-Assad B. Aḥmad Ḥasan C. Mohamed Hussein Roble

D. Adnan Khairallah E. None of these

16. Space tech startup Pixxel has signed an agreement with which company for launching its second satellite in 2021?

A. Dogtown Media B. Simform LLC C. Momentus Inc

D. Blue Label Solution E. None of these

17. Name the person who was the union minister of state for railways and Karnataka BJP MP, passed away recently.

A. Pralhad Joshi B. Prabhakar Kore C. Piyush Goyal

D. Suresh Angadi E. None of these

18. World Maritime Day 2020 was observed on which of the following dates?

A. September 21 B. September 22 C. September 23

D. September 24 E. None of these



19. Who among the following has launched the Mukhyamantrir Grammya Paribahan Achoni and distributed vehicles under the scheme to beneficiaries at a programme held at Assam Administrative Staff College?

A. Himanta Biswa Sarma B. Tarun Gogoi C. Sarbananda Sonowal

D. Biplab Kumar Deb E. None of these

20. Which state's CM virtually inaugurated two major green projects worth around Rs 1226 crore to be built by European Union countries?

A. Bihar B. Jharkhand C. West Bengal

D. Chhattisgarh E. None of these





Correct answer:

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Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: appoints AK Dixit as new administrator of PMC Bank

When: published on 22nd September 2020

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has appointed former Union Bank of India general manager AK Dixit as the new administrator of crisis-hit Punjab and Maharashtra Co-operative (PMC) Bank with effect from September 23. The present administrator Jai Bhagwan Bhoria has stepped down on September 22 due to health reasons.

"It has been decided to appoint AK Dixit, ex-General Manager, Union Bank of India as the new Administrator of the bank with effect from September 23, 2020," RBI said in a notification.

Mumbai-based PMC Bank has been placed under directions of the RBI since September 23, 2019 after the central bank superseded the troubled lender's board and appointed Jai Bhagwan Bhoria as the administrator of the bank. The directive is presently valid till December 22, 2020.(Read more)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Colombian journalist-turned-activist Jineth Bedoya Lima

What: wins Golden Pen of Freedom award

When: published on 16th September 2020

Colombian journalist Jineth Bedoya Lima, who was abducted, tortured and sexually assaulted on her way to interview an infamous paramilitary warlord in Bogota in 2000 was awarded the Golden Pen of Freedom award by the World Association of News Publishers (Wan-Ifra) on Wednesday (Sept 16).

Ms Bedoya Lima was investigating reports of alleged arms sales between the paramilitaries and state officials for her newspaper, El Espectador in 2000 when she went to the notorious La Modelo prison in Bogota, for the interview.

Three years later, in 2003, while working for El Tiempo, she was again abducted and held for eight days when she had travelled to meet members of the former Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), a guerrilla group that waged war against the Colombian state for 52 years. There, she was humiliated and beaten.(Read more)



3. Hints to Remember

Who: Veteran Actress Ashalata Wabgaonkar

What: Dies Of COVID-19

When: published on 23rd September 2020

Veteran actress and Marathi theatre personality Ashalata Wabgaonkar died at the age of 79 after battling COVID-19. Actress Renuka Shahane shared a tribute to the late actress in a tweet written in Marathi, which roughly translates to this heart-wrenching message: "Today has been a sad day. COVID-19 took a very beautiful life. Ashalata Tai merged into infinity. Extremely kind, loving, sensitive, great artist. Peace be upon the soul of Ashalata Tai, who has always blessed me, addressing me as 'Baby'. A heartfelt tribute." Shabana Azmi, who worked with Ashalata Wabgaonkar in 1980 movie Apne Paraye, tweeted: "Deeply saddened. I had the pleasure of working with Ashalata Ji in Basu Chatterjee's Apne Paraye and she was a delight to work with. Condolences to the family." Anil Kapoor, who worked with Ashalata Wabgaokar in 1983 film Woh Saat Din, shared a throwback photo and tweeted: "My heartfelt prayers and condolences to the family." (Read more)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: Kineco

What: flags-off India's first commercial Sonar Dome for Indian Navy

When: published on 23rd September 2020

Goa-based Kineco Limited, a leading composite technology provider for defence, aerospace, railway and industrial sectors, flagged off India's first-ever commercial Sonar Dome, at the hands of Chief Minister, Pramod Sawant on Tuesday.

The Sonar Dome is a critical component of a warship as it houses the Sonar (Sonar Navigation and Ranging) Array - which is used for detection, navigation, and ranging. The Sonar Dome, manufactured by Kineco was flagged off to its esteemed customer Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited Mumbai (MDL), where it will be mounted on the Indian Navy's P15 Alpha Warship.(Read more)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Israel and India

What: sign MoU to collaborate in tech innovation & start ups

When: published on 22nd September 2020

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed today between Israel's Start-Up Nation Central and India's International Centre for Entrepreneurship and Technology (iCreate) to initiate a bilateral



program to accelerate innovation and technology cooperation between start-ups and corporates from both countries.

The aim of this program is to bring together Israeli and Indian entrepreneurs and startups to collaborate on innovative projects.

The MoU was signed by Prof. Eugene Kandel, CEO of Start-Up Nation Central from Jerusalem and Anupam Jalote, CEO of iCreate from Ahmedabad. Professor Vijay Raghavan, Principal Scientific Advisor to Govt. of India was present in the event through video-conferencing, while Dr. Ron Malka, Israel's Ambassador to India and Yaakov Finkelstein, Israel's Consul General in Mumbai were physically present.(Read more)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Department of Biotechnology

What: launches Programme for "Strengthening Clinical Trial Research Capacity in Neighbouring Countries"

When: published on 23rd September 2020

The Department of Biotechnology, Government of India through the Ind-CEPI mission (India Centric Epidemic Preparedness) for Rapid Vaccine Development and Supporting Indian Vaccine Development which is aligned with the Global Initiative of the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), aims to strengthen the development of vaccines and associated competencies/technologies for the diseases of epidemic potential in India. One of the key focus areas of the mission is to support capacity building and regional networking with LMICs(Lowand Middle Income Countries).

In the current COVID19 Pandemic situation it is important to build capacities for clinical trials of vaccine. Keeping with the principles outlined by our Science Diplomacy initiatives, DBT hasinitiated the First phase of the "Training program to strengthen clinical trial research capacity for neighbouring countries" in partnership with Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The objective of these trainings would be to support researchers and investigator teams for enhancing and strengthening their clinical trial capabilities for conducting clinical trials in compliance with ICH-GCP (International Conference on Harmonisation – Good clinical practice). Through, this training program and knowledgesharing efforts, Govt of India is fulfilling its commitment of building various technical capacities in its neighbouring countries. Efforts to network with South Asia, ASEAN and African regions for this purpose would be aided through Ind-CEPI.(Read more)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

What: raises limit for use of SDRF funds by states from 35 per cent to 50 per cent to tackle COVID

situation



When: published on 24th September 2020

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced that the limit of using the State Disaster Response Fund for COVID specific infrastructure has been increased from 35 per cent to 50 per cent. He said, the

decision will help States have more finances at their disposal to fight the virus.

Interacting with Chief Ministers of six states and one Union Territory through video conference, Mr Modi said, there is a need to further strengthen health infrastructure to tackle COVID. These States and UTs are Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi. He reviewed the status and preparedness of COVID response and management. More than 63 per cent of the active cases of the country are concentrated in these six States and a Union Territory. (Read

more)

Hints to Remember

Who: India, UK

What: to hold Water Partnership Forum today

When: published on 22nd September 2020

A virtual India-UK Water Partnership Forum will be held on Tuesday to discuss ways to collaborate on

issues pertaining to water conservation and infrastructure development.

According to an official note, the inaugural address will be given by Indian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, Gaitri Issar Kumar. Besides, a memorandum of understanding will be inked between Ganga and British Water.

The event will highlight the strategic partnership approaches between the two countries to develop

21st-Century water infrastructure in India.(Read more)

9. Hints to Remember

Who: Expanding connectivity: India

What: launches airport expansion project in Maldives

When: published on 23rd September 2020

Launching one of the largest infrastructure and connectivity projects in northern Maldives, the Airports Authority of India (AAI) commenced work on the Detailed Project Report (DPR) of the Hanimaadhoo International Airport expansion project. This will be yet another India backed

infrastructure project in Maldives.

A high-level delegation from the AAI visited the Maldives this week. The team met with Minister of Economic Development Fayyaz Ismail and senior officials from Ministry of Economic Development and



the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation (MoTCA), and also visited Hanimaadhoo for initial surveys and assessments.(Read more)

10. Hints to Remember

Who: IDFC First Bank

What: to launch contactless debit card transaction facility next week

When: published on 23rd September 2020

IDFC First Bank on Wednesday said it will launch contactless debit card-based payment facility, SafePay, next week allowing transactions up to Rs 20,000 per day.

IDFC First Bank is set to launch the digital facility that will allow payments by simply waving one's smartphone against a near field communication (NFC)-enabled PoS terminal, the bank said in a release.

Users can simply wave, pay and go, making the payment process not only touch-free but also faster, simpler and safer, it said. The bank also claimed it is the first such facility to be made available in an integrated mobile banking app.(Read more)

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11. Hints to Remember

Who: Odisha's Krushi Bhavan

What: Wins 10th Annual AZ Awards 2020

When: published on 21st September 2020

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has dedicated the prestigious AZ Awards-2020 for Odisha's architectural marvel Krushi Bhavan, to farmers and artisans of the state.

Mr Patnaik made the announcement after Bhubaneswar-based Krushi Bhawan building was selected as the "People's Choice Winner" at the AZ Awards 2020 in Social Good Category.

He said this award is possible for farmers and artisans of Odisha, the inspiration behind the design of this building.(Read more)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: Acer India

What: signs Sonu Sood as brand ambassador

When: published on 23rd September 2020



Personal computers brand Acer India has roped in actor Sonu Sood as its brand ambassador. The actor will be seen endorsing the brand's innovative range of products across media platforms for a campaign to talk about Acer's commitment to improving people's lives through technology.

According to the company, this association will help Acer India drive awareness of leading India's next-generation digital evolution through its innovation and products. "Acer is aiming to play a key role in the digital transformation in the country and make a difference in our consumers' lives using technologies which are at the cutting edge of design, innovation and use while being one of the most trusted and dependable," the company said in a statement. (Read more)

13. Hints to Remember

Who: Uday Kotak

What: gets 1-year extension on IL&FS board

When: published on 24th September 2020

The government has allowed Uday Kotak, MD and CEO of Kotak Mahindra Bank, to continue on the board of troubled infra lender IL&FS for one more year till October 2, 2021. This is the second extension for Kotak to continue on the IL&FS board.

Kotak, the non-executive chairman of IL&FS, was given a go-ahead for three months initially, which was followed up with a nine-month relaxation that ended on October 2019. He was then given a one-year extension till October 2020.

According to a Gazette notification, the provisions of the Banking Regulation Act will not apply to Kotak Mahindra Bank in so far as it relates to its MD and CEO Uday Kotak being on the board of Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services Ltd as its Non-executive Director for a period up to October 2, 2021.(Read more)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: EESL

What: has announced the appointment of Rajat Sud as its new Managing Director, taking over from S.

Gopal

When: published on 24th September 2020

Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), a joint venture of PSUs under the Ministry of Power, Government of India, has announced the appointment of Rajat Sud as its new Managing Director. Sud takes over from S. Gopal Director (Commercial), who had taken on the additional charge of interim MD.

EESL in its press statement stated that Sud is an energy sector veteran, with 29 years of industry experience. His repertoire encompasses energy sector restructuring, business strategy, performance



improvement and acquisitions. He also has several notable accomplishments, in securing international consulting engagements, building teams and businesses, driving innovative solutions growth, policy formulation and reforms in the Indian power sector, where he played a lead role in unbundling of the state-owned utilities. His experience in the sector will be indispensable in helping EESL achieve its ambitious goals and create a new energy paradigm in the country.(Read more)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Somalia Parliament

What: Approves New Prime Minister

When: published on 24th September 2020

Political newcomer Mohamed Hussein Roble became Somalia's prime minister Wednesday after getting unanimous approval from lawmakers.

Somali President Mohamed Abdullahi Mohamed was in attendance when all 215 members of parliament cast their votes in favor of his appointee.

Roble is promising to create an effective government that addresses some of the key issues facing the country, including having fair presidential and parliamentary elections. (Read more)

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16. Hints to Remember

Who: Pixxel

What: partners with Momentus for second satellite launch in 2021

When: published on 23rd September 2020

Space tech startup Pixxel on Wednesday said it has signed an agreement with in-space satellite transportation and infrastructure company Momentus Inc for launching its second satellite in 2021.

Under the agreement with California-based Momentus, Pixxel's second satellite launch will be done in Sun-synchronous orbit using a SpaceX Falcon-9 rocket and it will have the option to fly again in 2022.(Read more)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: MoS Railways Suresh Angadi 1st Union minister

What: to die of Covid-19

When: published on 24th September 2020



Union minister of state for railways and Karnataka BJP MP Suresh Angadi, 65, passed away on Wednesday, days after he tested positive for Covid-19. Angadi is the first Central minister to die of coronavirus. Angadi passed away around 8 pm at the AIIMS trauma centre, which has been converted into a dedicated Covid-19 facility, sources at the hospital said.

"He was admitted to the hospital after testing positive for Covid-19. Initially, his condition was stable. It deteriorated suddenly on Monday evening and we couldn't save him despite our best efforts," doctors at AIIMS said.(Read more)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: World Maritime Day 2020

What: was observed on 24th September 2020

World Maritime Day is observed on September 24 to mark the contribution of international maritime industries towards the economy of the world especially shipping. Every year the International Maritime Organization (IMO) celebrates World Maritime Day. The exact date is left to individual Governments but, it is usually celebrated during the last week in September, generally the last Thursday of the month.

World Maritime Day focuses on the importance of shipping safety, maritime security, and the marine environment. It aims to raise awareness about the importance of shipping safety, maritime security, and the marine environment.

The theme for 2020 World Maritime Day is "Sustainable shipping for a sustainable planet". This theme is to focus on providing an opportunity to raise awareness of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The shipping industry, with the support of the IMO regulatory framework, has already started the transition towards this sustainable future.

Amid the Covid-19 the day will be celebrated in the form of an online event, due to social distancing measures caused by the pandemic. The Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted the professionalism and sacrifice of the two million seafarers who serve on the world's merchant fleet. (Read more)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Assam: CM

What: launches Mukhyamantri Grammya Paribahan Achoni

When: published on 23rd September 2020

With an aim to improve rural connectivity and generate employment in the villages, chief minister Sarbananda Sonowal on Wednesday launched the Mukhyamantri Grammya Paribahan Achoni and distributed vehicles under the scheme to beneficiaries at a programme held at Assam Administrative Staff College.



The scheme was launched by transport department following an announcement made by the Assam CM in the earlier year.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister urged the beneficiaries to create success stories of self reliance and entrepreneurship through the vehicles received under Mukhyamantri Grammya Paribahan Achoni and inspire others in the their villages to explore self employment opportunities.(Read more)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Bengal CM Mamata

What: inaugurates green projects to be built in collaboration with EU countries

When: published on 23rd September 2020

West Bengal chief minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday virtually inaugurated two major green projects worth around Rs 1226 crore to be built by European Union countries in Kolkata and East Midnapore district.

The memorandum of understanding (MoU) for these projects were signed at the global business summit held at the beach town of Digha in East Midnapore in December 2019.

The ambassadors of Italy, Netherlands and the European Union and the deputy ambassador of Germany took part in the virtual inauguration.

One project involves waste management and sustainable development at the Kolkata Leather Complex at Bantala in the eastern outskirts of the city. It involves foreign investment worth three million Euros (around Rs 26 crore), said the chief minister and will be built in collaboration with Dutch partners.(Read more)





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