



# 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

#### **April GA Quiz 16**

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

1. National Fire Service Day 2021 was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. 12<sup>th</sup> April
- B. 13<sup>th</sup> April
- C. 14<sup>th</sup> April

- D. 15<sup>th</sup> April
- E. None of these

2. Yogesh Praveen passed away recently, was a/an \_\_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Musician
- B. Historian
- C. Scientist

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D. Dentist

E. None of these

3. Who among the following has won the Polgar Challenge, the first leg of the new Challengers Chess Tour?

- A. Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa
- B. Vidit Gujrathi
- C. Nihal Sarin
- D. Anish Giri
- E. None of these

4. Who among the following has launched "National Nursery Portal"?

- A. Piyush Goyal
- B. Narendra Modi
- C. Narendra Singh Tomar

- D. Ravi Shankar Prasad
- E. None of these

5. Siachen Warriors has celebrated which Siachen Day with tremendous zeal, enthusiasm?

A. 36<sup>th</sup>

B. 37<sup>th</sup>

C. 38<sup>th</sup>

D. 39<sup>th</sup>

E. None of these



A. April 11	B. April 12	C. April 13							
D. April 14	E. None of these								
7. CCI has recently approved	d acquisition of what percent	of shareholdings in GPL by APSEZ Ltd?							
A. 88.6 percent	B. 87.6 percent	C. 86.6 percent							
D. 89.6 percent	E. None of these								
8. Which of the following cri	icketers has been appointed a	as Brand Ambassador of Elista?							
A. Suresh Raina	B. M S Dhoni	C. Ravindra Jadeja							
D. Virat Kohli	E. None of these								
9. According to National Statistical Office, Retail Inflation has increased to what percent in March?									
A. 4.52 percent	B. 5.52 percent	C. 6.52 percent							
D. 7.52 percent	E. None of these	rtkeeda							
10. Which entity has launche	ed Poshan Gyan, a national d	igital repository on health and nutrition?							
A. Reserve Bank of India									
B. NITI Aayog									
C. Department of Economic	Affairs								
D. Ministry of Personnel, Pub	olic Grievances and Pensions								
E. None of these									
11. Atal Innovation Mission and agriculture innovations		ith which company to work towards healthcare							
A. Bayer	B. BASF	C. Monsanto							
D. Pfizer	E. None of these								

6. International Day for Street Children 2021 was observed on which date?



A. Arvind Kejriwal	B. Prakash Javadekar	C. Harsh Vardhan
D. Piyush Goyal	E. None of these	
13. India has recently which	ch program to combat COVID-	19?
A. Tika Tyohaar	B. Tika Utsav	C. Tika Karan
D. Tika Parv	E. None of these	
	d the top position at National a (PMGSY) during FY 2020-21?	level for successful implementation of Pradhan
A. Srinagar	B. Katra	C. Udhampur
D. Kangra	E. None of these	
	B. Rs. 12,000 crore	'Special Refinance Facility-2021' (SRF-Primary Lending Institutions (PLI).  C. Rs. 13,000 crore
A. 1 Year	ended the Regulatory Sandbox B. 2 Years	Regulations for how many years?  C. 3 Years
D. 4 Years	E. None of these	
17. NCDC has availed Rs 6	00 crore loan from which bank	to Support Cooperatives?
A. Deutsche Bank	B. Soft Bank	C. Bank of America
D. World Bank	E. None of these	
18. State Bank of India ha board with immediate eff	-	government has nominated which person on its
A. Anil Kumar Sharma	B. Manish Kumar Agnihotri	C. Anilesh Sharma
D. Nilesh Kumar Verma	E. None of these	

12. Who among the following has launched Aahaar Kranti, a mission dedicated to spread awareness

about nutrition?



## 19. As per the recent report, which of the following countries has emerged largest buyer of India sugar in first quarter of 2021?

A. Malaysia B. Indonesia C. Maldives

D. Sri Lanka E. None of these

#### 20. Which country is the No. 1 country in the World, according to the 2021 Best Countries Report?

A. Russia B. Germany C. Canada

D. Australia 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
C	В	Α	С	В	В	D	Α	В	В	Α	С	В	С	D	В	Α	Α	В	С

#### **Explanation:**

#### 1. Hints to Remember

Who: National Fire Service Day 2021

What: was observed on 14th April

National Fire Service Day on April 14 is a day that is observed every year to pay homage to the incredible commitment and sacrifice by the 71 Fire Service personnel during an unfortunate mishap in 1944 on this day.

An incident that occurred at freighter SS Fort Stikine at the Victoria Dock in the Bombay Port on that fateful day, witnessed sacrifices made by the 71 Fire Service personnel in their bid to save lives, and assets, selflessly while fighting the fire spread from the explosion.

It so happened that the freighter SS Fort Stikine that was carrying a miscellaneous cargo of cotton bales, gold, ammunition consisting of almost 1400 tons of explosives, caught fire; which was followed by 2 gigantic blasts. The explosion's intensity was so much that sensors recorded that the ground shook at Shimla, in a city which was over 1700 km away from the site of the blast. Speaking of the impact, it was reported that the blast not only split the ship into 2 halves, but broke windows in the 12 km radius. It was heard at a distance of 80 km.(Read more)

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: Eminent Historian Yogesh Praveen

What: dies in Lucknow

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

Eminent Historian and an expert on Awadh especially Lucknow Yogesh Praveen died in Lucknow this afternoon. He was 82. He breathed his last at his residence in Ghaus Nagar area of Lucknow. He complained about breathlessness last night. Awarded with Padma Shri in 2019 he had a long association with All India Radio Lucknow also.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has condoled the demise of Yogesh Praveen. In a condolence message, he said that Mr. Yogesh Praveen had a deep knowledge of the culture and history of Avadh, especially Lucknow.(Read more)



Who: Praggnanandhaa

What: Wins Polgar Challenge Convincingly

When: published on 12th April 2021

GM Praggnanandhaa R won the Polgar Challenge, the first leg of the new Challengers Chess Tour. The 15-year-old Indian grandmaster finished 1.5 points ahead of the pack and qualified for the next leg of the Champions Chess Tour.

Praggnanadhaa was leading halfway through the tournament and the situation hardly changed on Saturday: he was still half a point ahead of the 16-year-old Uzbek GM Nodirbek Abdusattorov after 15 rounds.

That 15<sup>th</sup> round, however, was a dramatic one. The tournament leader suffered was what only his second loss against GM Vincent Keymer. The 16-year-old German grandmaster won an endgame that was quite similar to the classic ending GM Bobby Fischer vs. GM Mark Taimanov, fourth match game 1971.(Read more)

#### 4. Hints to Remember

Who: Agri Minister

What: Launches National Nursery Portal

When: published on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Tuesday launched a 'National Nursery Portal' to connect nursery operators with consumers.

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The National Nursery Portal, developed by the National Horticulture Board, will help consumers to connect with nurseries and get information about the availability and prices of quality planting material, an official statement said.

It will also help nursery operators in assessing market demand for their products. (Read more)

#### 5. Hints to Remember

Who: Siachen Warriors

What: celebrate 37<sup>th</sup> Siachen Day with tremendous zeal, enthusiasm

When: published on 13th April 2021

The Siachen Warriors celebrated the 37<sup>th</sup> Siachen Day with tremendous zeal and enthusiasm today. Brigadier Gurpal Singh laid a wreath and paid homage to the martyrs at the Siachen War Memorial,



Base Camp to commemorate their courage and fortitude in securing the highest and coldest battlefield

of the World.

On this day in 1984, Indian troops first unfurled the tri colour at Bilafond Lalaunching Operation Meghdoot. Since then, it has been a saga of valour and audacity not only in the face of enemy but also

in the face of icy peaks with extreme weather. (Read more)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: International Day for Street Children 2021

What: was observed on April 12

Between April 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, organisations around the world will be recognising International Day for Street Children: a special day acknowledging the strength and resilience of millions of street children

around the world.

The pandemic has highlighted how street-connected children are too often excluded from accessing

essential services such as healthcare, education, and access to justice.

International Day for Street Children has been celebrated globally since 2012, to recognise the humanity, dignity and defiance of street children in the face of unimaginable hardships. We want to rally governments and individuals worldwide to work together to ensure their rights are protected no

matter who they are and where they live, even more so in the COVID-19 pandemic.

7. Hints to Remember

Who: CCI

What: Approves Acquisition of 89.6% of Shareholdings in GPL by APSEZ Ltd

When: published on 14th April 2021

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved billionaire Gautam Adani-controlled Adani

Ports and Special Economic Zones Ltd's acquisition of 89.6% stake in Gangavaram Port Ltd.

Adani Ports and SEZ had earlier announced the acquisition of 58.1% stake in the port located in the northern part of Andhra Pradesh, next to Vizag Port, from D.V.S. Raju and family for ₹3,604 crore, winning majority control of the private port. Adani Ports had also announced the acquisition of

Warburg Pincus's 31.5% stake in Gangavaram.

"The Competition Commission of India (CCI) approves acquisition of 89.6% of equity shareholding of Gangavaram Port Limited ("GPL") by Adani Ports and Special Economic Zones Limited ("APSEZ") under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002, on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021," the corporate affairs ministry said in a

statement on Tuesday.(Read more)



Who: Elista

What: announced ace cricketer Suresh Raina as its brand ambassador

When: published on 13th April 2021

Elista, a brand backed by the prestigious TeknoDome Group has announced the ace cricketer Suresh Raina as its brand ambassador. The cricketer will be seen endorsing the brand's LED TVs and Coolers for all its campaigns.

The brand which started its operations in the year 2020 in India has been making waves in India with its innovative products which they proudly position as 'Making in India for the world'. The brand roped Suresh Raina with a belief that the association will help them drive awareness about its range of products which are innovative, feature-rich, and yet affordable.

Pawan Kumar, CEO, Elista (TeknoDome India) said, "As we take Elista to PAN India level, Suresh Raina was the obvious choice for us. Young, vibrant, power-packed, and usually touted as Dependable for his consistent performance, we feel he gels just aptly with the essence of brand Elista. With this association, we are confident of taking our brand to the next level." (Read more)

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#### 9. Hints to Remember

Who: Retail Inflation

What: Increased to 5.52% in March, 2021: NSO

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

In a double whammy for the economy,retail inflation jumped to a four-month high of 5.52 percent in March while industrial output contracted for the second month in a row, falling 3.6 percent in February — reinforcing concerns over the pace of GDP recovery amid a fresh wave of coronavirus infections.

Contraction in factory output, measured as the Index of Industrial Production or IIP, in February came on the back of a 0.9 percent decline in January, according to government data released on Monday.

With both mining and manufacturing contracting in February, the lack of momentum in industrial activity along with fresh COVID-19 lockdowns in certain states has cast its shadow on the likelihood of meaningful positive GDP growth in the fourth quarter of the 2020-21 fiscal.

Policymakers had expected positive GDP growth in January-March to restrict the annual FY21 contraction to 7.5-8 percent.

Higher food inflation and spurt in fuel prices led the consumer price index (CPI) based retail inflation rising to 5.52 percent in March, from 5.03 percent in the previous month.(Read more)



Who: NITI Aayog

What: launches 'Poshan Gyan', a digital repository on health, nutrition

When: published on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

NITI Aayog, in partnership with Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and Centre for Social and Behaviour Change, Ashoka University today launched Poshan Gyan, a national digital repository on health and nutrition. The launch event was addressed by NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Dr Rajiv Kumar, CEO Amitabh Kant, Women and Child Development Secretary Ram Mohan Mishra and Additional Secretary Dr Rakesh Sarwal.

While launching the website, Dr Rajiv Kumar said, the creation of Poshan Gyan was a landmark moment. He said, real change can be brought about only through changing behaviours on the ground. The NITI Aayog Vice Chairman said, high malnutrition persists despite India being a food-surplus nation, which points towards a clear need for behavioural change.(Read more)

#### 11. Hints to Remember

Who: Atal Innovation Mission

What: collaborates with Bayer to work towards healthcare and agriculture innovations

When: published on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog today collaborated with Bayer- a global enterprise with core competencies in the fields of healthcare and nutrition, to work towards the mission's innovation and entrepreneurship initiatives across the country.

A Statement of Intent (SoI) of a strategic partnership between AIM and Bayer was signed and exchanged to formalize the collaboration. The SoI will span the promotion of science education, advancing digital solutions and agri-tech to strengthen supply chains as well as healthcare projects. Additionally, Bayer will collaborate with AIM to support their current and future programs and foster innovation & entrepreneurship across the agriculture and healthcare sectors.(Read more)

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: Health Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan

What: launches Aahaar Kranti mission to spread awareness about nutrition

When: published on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Government has launched Aahaar Kranti, a mission dedicated to spread awareness about nutrition. It is designed to address the peculiar problem of hunger and diseases in abundance, being faced by India and the world. Studies show that India produces as much as two times the amount of calories it



consumes. However, many in the country are still malnourished. The root cause of this strange phenomenon is a lack of nutritional awareness. Keeping this in mind, Aahaar Kranti has been launched with the motto of Uttam Aahaar- Uttam Vichaar or Good Diet-Good Cognition.

Launching the initiative, Health Minister Dr. Harsh Vardhan said, when the country is reeling under the onslaught of pandemic COVID -19, a balanced diet serves as a special tool to reduce the impact of the pandemic. He stressed on the need to create awareness about the importance of a balanced diet saying it has become more vital than ever before.

The movement proposes to address the problem by working to rouse the people to the values and richness of India's traditional diet, to the healing powers of local fruits and vegetables and to the miracles of a balanced diet.(Read more)

#### 13. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: celebrates 'Tika Utsav' to combat Covid-19

When: published on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021

With an aim to vaccinate maximum number of eligible people against Covid-19, India on Sunday launched the four-day-long 'Tika Utsav' or vaccination festival.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi called 'Tika Utsav' the beginning of the second big war against corona.

In a tweet, he also made four requests to the citizens. "We are going to begin 'Tika Utsav' today nationwide. I urge countrymen to abide by four things - assist those who need help getting inoculated, help people in Covid treatment, wear masks and motivate others and if someone tests positive, create micro-containment zone in the area," he said.(Read more)

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: J&K: Udhampur

What: bags top position at National level for successfully implementing PMGSY during 2020-21

When: published on 13th April 2021

Udhampur district of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir has bagged top position at National level for successfully implementing Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) during 2020-21. The district has received top position for constructing roads of 560.49 km in 2020-21.

However, four more districts from the Union Territory have also figured in the list of PMGSY top performing 30 districts in the country. It includes Rajouri, Doda, Kathua and Reasi districts of Jammu division of Jammu and Kashmir.(Read more)



Who: NHB

What: provides Rs. 10,000 crore Special Refinancing Facility 2021 to HFCs & PLIs

When: published on 14th April 2021

National Housing Bank (NHB) has rolled out a ₹10,000-crore 'Special Refinance Facility-2021' (SRF-2021) to provide short term refinance support to housing finance companies (HFCs) and other eligible Primary Lending Institutions (PLIs).

This facility is expected to meet the short-term liquidity requirements of the PLIs and will also support them for onward lending to individuals to maintain steady growth in the housing finance sector, according to NHB.

This NHB initiative comes on the heels of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) extending fresh support (in the recent monetary policy review) under another Special Liquidity Facility-2 (SLF-2) of ₹ 10,000 crore to the NHB for one year to support the housing sector.(Read more)

#### 16. Hints to Remember

Who: IRDAI

What: has Extended the Regulatory Sandbox Regulations for 2 Years

When: published on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Irdai) on 12 April notified the extension of its sandbox regulations by another two years to enable the completion of the experiment of the existing sandbox proposals and also to allow new sandbox proposals for the experiment.

Naval Goel, founder and chief executive officer, PolicyX.com said, "There is merit in this extension of regulatory sandbox, which is established for live testing of new products or services. This amendment will help drive innovation in the insurance sector as insurance companies will now be able to experiment considerably without taking approvals to launch a new product." (Read more)

#### 17. Hints to Remember

Who: NCDC

What: availed Rs 600 crore loan from Deutsche Bank AG to Support Cooperatives

When: published on 13th April 2021

In a first, the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) has secured a Euro 68.87 million (Rs 600 cr) loan from Deutsche Bank for onward lending to cooperatives in the country, the agriculture



ministry said on Tuesday. An agreement in this regard inked between NCDC and Deutsche Bank, Germany's largest bank, in the presence of Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar here.

The minister also presided over the signing of an agreement between the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and NCDC to boost farmers' linkages with markets. "This is for the first time that one of the largest European banks in the world is lending to the NCDC, thus reflecting the confidence of the global financial institution in the Indian development finance institution, particularly at a time when global economic turmoil created by the Covid-19 crisis has made lending a challenging proposition," the ministry said.(Read more)

#### 18. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

What: appoints Anil Kumar Sharma on central board of SBI with immediate effect

When: published on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021

State Bank of India on Wednesday said the government has nominated Anil Kumar Sharma, the executive director of the RBI, on its board with immediate effect.

Citing a Department of Financial Services (DFS) notification dated April 13, 2021, SBI said, "..the central government hereby nominates Anil Kumar Sharma, executive director, Reserve Bank of India as director on the central board of State Bank of India with immediate effect... until further orders, vice Chandan Sinha."

SBI's central board of directors comprises a total of 13 members, headed by its chairman Dinesh Kumar Khara, as per its website.(Read more)

#### 19. Hints to Remember

Who: Indonesia

What: emerges largest buyer of India sugar in first quarter of 2021, says AISTA

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

All India Sugar Traders Association (AISTA) has claimed that India has dispatched 55% of the sugar export quota announced by the Union government under the Maximum Admissible Export Quota (MAEQ) 2020-21 scheme. So far, during the first three months since the scheme became applicable, Indonesia has emerged as the top importer of Indian sugar accounting for 38% share of the total sugar dispatched.

Indian government had announced a scheme in January 2021 to incentivise exports and thus reduce the surplus sugar in the domestic market. The scheme was meant to help the sugarcane growing farmers as it assumed that the sugar mills will pay their bills on time when the sugar prices in the domestic market improve on clearing the excess stocks. However, the arrears of sugarcane farmers



continue to rule high in the top two sugar producing states of Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra.(Read more)

#### 20. Hints to Remember

Who: Canada

What: is the No. 1 Country in the World, According to the 2021 Best Countries Report

When: published on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021

For the first time, Canada takes the top spot overall in the 2021 Best Countries Report, a ranking, and analysis project by US News & World Report; BAV Group, a unit of global marketing communications company VMLY&R; and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

This year, the model that powers this report has evolved in response to a transformational year since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. Cultural, economic, political, and technological influences remain important, and two new categories have been added: social purpose and agility. Together, this broad range of categories determines how the 78 countries studied are ranked on the world stage.(Read more)







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