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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

## April GA Quiz 7

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

1. Manyamkonda Jatara is Idol shifting festival from which state to Andhra Pradesh?

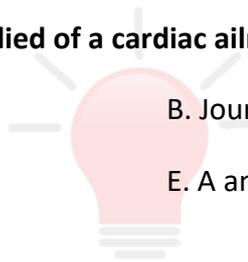
- A. Tamil Nadu                      B. Kerala                      C. Karnataka  
D. Maharashtra                      E. None of these

2. Amboli in which has been named as Biodiversity Heritage Site?

- A. Tamil Nadu                      B. Karnataka                      C. Maharashtra  
D. Kerala                      E. None of these

3. Anil Dharker died of a cardiac ailment at a Mumbai hospital, was a/an \_\_\_\_\_ .

- A. Writer                      B. Journalist                      C. Actor  
D. A and B                      E. A and C



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4. Who among the following booked her ticket for the Tokyo Olympic Games after she sent the discus to 65.06 metres in her first and only legal throw at the 24<sup>th</sup> Federation Cup Senior Athletics Championships held in Patiala?

- A. Samarpreet Kaur                      B. Kamalpreet Kaur                      C. Navjot Kaur  
D. Harindar Kaur                      E. None of these

5. Which of the following two countries are going to host 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup?

- A. Australia and New Zealand  
B. South Africa and England  
C. India and Sri Lanka  
D. West Indies and Ireland  
E. None of these



**6. Ministry of Jal Shakti is to deploy IoT devices for Monitoring Rural Drinking Water Supply Systems. What does IoT stand for?**

- A. Integrated of Things      B. Internet of Things      C. Intermediate of Things  
D. Interconnected of Things      E. None of these

**7. Who among the following has assumed additional charge of the post of Chairman and Managing Director following superannuation of Shashi Shanker?**

- A. Suresh Yadav      B. Subhash Kumar      C. Shishupal Singh  
D. Shaktidas Rawat      E. None of these

**8. Which firm has signed a 22-year contract with Reliance Bangladesh LNG & Power Ltd to provide maintenance services for its upcoming 718MW combined cycle power plant?**

- A. GE Power India  
B. Siemens  
C. ABB India  
D. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited  
E. None of these



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**9. The Reserve Bank of India has set the Ways and Means Advances (WMA) limit at \_\_\_\_\_ for the central government for the first half of the financial year beginning April 1.**

- A. Rs 1.4 lakh crore      B. Rs 1.6 lakh crore      C. Rs 1.2 lakh crore  
D. Rs 1.8 lakh crore      E. None of these

**10. Which bank and Axis Bank have tied up with global e-commerce major Amazon and cards major Visa to launch a retail payments entity, which will be a rival to state-owned NPCI?**

- A. HDFC Bank      B. ICICI Bank      C. Yes Bank  
D. IDFC Bank      E. None of these

**11. India ranked 140<sup>th</sup> out of 156 Countries in WEF's Global Gender Gap Report 2021. Which of the following countries has topped the list?**

- A. Ireland      B. Iceland      C. Scotland  
D. Poland      E. None of these



**12. Who among the following has inaugurated Cruise Ship Service between Surat & Diu?**

- A. Mansukh Mandaviya      B. D. V. Sadananda Gowda      C. Parshottam Rupala  
D. Vijay Rupani              E. None of these

**13. Atal Innovation Mission has launched which program, in partnership with BMGF & Venture Center?**

- A. AIM-PRIME                  B. AIM-MAJOR                  C. AIM-RIDE  
D. AIM-MARKET              E. None of these

**14. International Children's Book Day 2021 was observed on which date?**

- A. April 1                      B. April 2                      C. April 3  
D. April 4                      E. None of these

**15. World Autism Awareness Day 2021 was observed on which date?**

- A. April 2                      B. April 4                      C. April 5  
D. April 6                      E. None of these

**16. Venkaiah Naidu has released book 'Agriculture in India: Contemporary Challenges – in the Context of Doubling Farmers Income'. Who among the following is the author of the book?**

- A. Mohan Kanda              B. Bheema Reddy              C. Nizam Ali  
D. Unmukt Sharma            E. None of these

**17. Former RBI Governor Urjit Patel has been appointed as the Additional Director of which company?**

- A. Britannia                  B. ITC Limited                  C. Dabur  
D. Amul                      E. None of these

**18. Mukhmeet S Bhatia has assumed charge as Director General of \_\_\_\_\_ .**

- A. Reserve Bank of India  
B. Employees' State Insurance Corporation  
C. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited  
D. Employees' Provident Fund Organisation  
E. None of these



**19. Who among the following has been as the new prime minister of Slovakia?**

A. Roman Mikulec

B. Milan Krajniak

C. Eduard Heger

D. Jaroslav Nad'

E. None of these

**20. The labour ministry has set up how many expert committees to review standards under the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSH&WC) Code, 2020?**

A. 4

B. 6

C. 3

D. 5

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
E	C	D	B	A	B	B	A	C	B	B	A	A	B	A	A	A	B	C	C

**Explanation:**

**1. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Manyamkonda Jatara

**What:** is Idol shifting festival from Odisha to Andhra Pradesh

**When:** publishes on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

An inter-state religious festival in Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, with a quartet of deities, went off peacefully without any untoward incident in left wing extremism (LWE) infested area.

Manyamkonda Jatara, the village festival which entails shifting idols from Odisha to Andhra at Polluru village in Mothugudem mandal of East Godavari district, ended on Monday evening.

“Idols of deities Kannamaraju, Bapiraju, Pothuraju and Muthyalamma have crossed the Sileru River at about 8 a.m. from Malkangiri in Odisha to Polluru village, Mothugudem mandal of Andhra Pradesh,” said a police official.

After bathing the deities under the Polluru waterfalls, the idols were kept ready for Darshan (faithful’s visit) and as many as 10,000 devotees visited them from morning till evening. [\(Read more\)](#)

**2. Hints to Remember**

**Who:** Amboli in Maharashtra

**What:** named as Biodiversity Heritage Site

**When:** published on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2021

The State Government of Maharashtra declared Amboli region in Western Ghats in Sindhudurg district as a Biodiversity Heritage Site. This comes at the backdrop of the discovery of a rare colourful freshwater fish species “Schistura Hiranyakeshi” in the region.

Schistura Hiranyakeshi comes under the sub-species of rare Schistura, a freshwater loach that lives in water bodies with abundance of Oxygen.

Tejas Thackeray a wildlife researcher & son of Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray along with his team published the discovery of the new fish species International Journal of Ichthyology in October 2020.



Schistura Hiranyakeshi, was named after the Hiranyakeshi river that flows near Amboli village.

### 3. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Journalist and writer Anil Dharker

**What:** passes away at 74

**When:** published on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Indian journalist and writer Anil Dharker died of a cardiac ailment at a Mumbai hospital on Friday morning. He was 74 years old.

Dharker had been admitted for a scheduled bypass surgery. The founder and director of the Mumbai International Literary Festival and of Tata Literature Live!, Dharker had been battling cardiac issues for a few years.

“Dharker was one of the pillars of the cultural legacy of Mumbai,” said cricket writer and commentator Ayaz Memon, a friend and former colleague who worked with Dharker at the city tabloid Mid-Day and later at The Independent, Mumbai. “He was a man of fine style and fine words and had a delectable style of writing.”

Dharker was also a member of the National Centre for the Performing Arts theatre committee and a columnist for the NCPA’s monthly magazine, On Stage. “He was a delightful companion who always had so many stories to tell,” NCPA chairman Khushroo Santook said on Friday. “His greatest contribution is his profound writing on politics, philosophy and current affairs, which were liked by old and young alike.”([Read more](#))

### 4. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Kamalpreet Kaur

**What:** latest discus-throw sensation

**When:** published on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021

Kamalpreet Kaur booked her ticket for the Tokyo Olympic Games after she sent the discus to 65.06 metres in her first and only legal throw at the 24<sup>th</sup> Federation Cup Senior Athletics Championships held in Patiala.

Kamalpreet set a new national record and breached the Olympic qualification mark of 63.50m in the process. The previous record of 64.76 was set by Krishna Poonia in 2012.

Kamalpreet's throw was also better than that of veteran discus thrower and 2014 Asian Games gold medallist Seema Punia, who finished second, with a distance of 62.64m.

Here's a look at Kamalpreet's journey and achievements so far.([Read more](#))



## 5. Hints to Remember

**Who:** New Zealand, Australia

**What:** to host 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

The 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup will be played across nine cities in New Zealand and Australia, soccer's global governing body said.

The opening match will take place at Eden Park in Auckland while Sydney's Stadium Australia will host the final.

The two semifinal matches will be split between Australia and New Zealand with the full schedule to be announced later this year, FIFA said during announcing the host cities on Wednesday in Zurich.

Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth will also host games in Australia, with New Zealand's Dunedin, Hamilton and Wellington completing the nine host cities for the mega event. ([Read more](#))

## 6. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Ministry of Jal Shakti

**What:** to deploy IoT devices for Monitoring Rural Drinking Water Supply Systems

**When:** published on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

In a bid to monitor the rural drinking water supply systems in villages, the Ministry of Jal Shakti has decided to take the digital route to use sensor-based IoT devices to effectively monitor the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in more than six lakh villages. For this, National Jal Jeevan Mission in collaboration with Tata Community Initiatives Trust (TCIT) and Tata Trusts recently completed pilot projects in several remote villages of five States i.e. Uttarakhand, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, and Himachal Pradesh.

A key feature of these pilots has been the use of frugal yet sturdy sensors, which makes the solution scalable and sustainable, the ministry said in a statement. One of the key challenges posed to the team was to develop a robust solution at a fraction of the water infrastructure costs (<10-15% of total scheme capex) without compromising on quality or functionality. These costs are expected to reduce further at scale. ([Read more](#))

## 7. Hints to Remember

**Who:** ONGC's Subhash Kumar

**What:** assumes additional charge as CMD

**When:** published on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021



ONGC's Finance Director Subhash Kumar has assumed additional charge of the post of Chairman and Managing Director following superannuation of Shashi Shanker on March 31.

Kumar is an industry veteran with over 36 years of experience in diverse activities across exploration and production value chain. He joined ONGC in 1985 as a finance and accounts officer, and served in different capacities.

During his tenure with ONGC Videsh, Kumar was associated with key acquisitions and expansion of the company's footprint. He played a key role in evaluation and acquisition of many overseas assets. ([Read more](#))

## 8. Hints to Remember

**Who:** GE

**What:** signs maintenance contract with Reliance Bangladesh LNG & Power

**When:** published on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

GE Power India Ltd has signed a 22-year contract with Reliance Bangladesh LNG & Power Ltd to provide maintenance services for its upcoming 718MW combined cycle power plant, the firm said on Wednesday.

A joint venture between India's Reliance Power and Japan's JERA, Reliance Bangladesh LNG & Power Ltd! is building the plant in Meghnaghat, Bangladesh.

To be commissioned in early 2023, the plant will utilise re-gasified liquified natural gas to generate the equivalent electricity needed to supply more than 850,000 homes in Bangladesh, GE said in a statement. ([Read more](#))

## 9. Hints to remember

**Who:** RBI

**What:** fixes Centre's WMA limit at Rs 1.2 lakh cr for first half of next fiscal

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

WMAs are temporary advances given by the RBI to the government to tide over any mismatch in receipts and payments.

'It has been decided, in consultation with the Government of India, that the limits for Ways and Means Advances (WMA) for the first half of the financial year 2021-22 (April 2021 to September 2021) will be Rs 1,20,000 crore,' the central bank said in a statement.

Further, the RBI said it may trigger fresh floatation of market loans when the government utilises 75 per cent of the WMA limit.



'The Reserve Bank retains the flexibility to revise the limit at any time, in consultation with the Government of India, taking into consideration the prevailing circumstances,' it added. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 10. Hints to Remember

**Who:** ICICI Bank, Axis Bank

**What:** To Co-Lead NUE With Amazon, Visa As Partners

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Leading private sector lenders ICICI Bank and Axis Bank have tied up with global e-commerce major Amazon and cards major Visa to launch a retail payments entity, which will be a rival to state-owned NPCI, officials said on Wednesday.

Concerns over concentration risk and a need to fast-track cashless payments had led the RBI to invite applications for a New Umbrella Entity (NUE) to rival the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), which currently delivers services like UPI-based payments.

According to media reports, this has led to a huge interest among various entities to get into the fray by forming consortia. These include one where Reliance Industries has tied up with Facebook and Google, another led by Paytm which has companies like Ola, while there is one led by the Tata Group with Mastercard, Bharti Airtel, Kotak Mahindra Bank and HDFC Bank as partners. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 11. Hints to Remember

**Who:** India

**What:** ranks 140 among 156 countries on WEF's Global Gender Gap index

**When:** published on 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Iceland is the world's best country for gender equality and Afghanistan the worst, a World Economic Forum index shows. Overall, this year's report finds that progress has stagnated, with widening gender gaps in political empowerment globally. That means at the current rate, it will take almost 136 years for the overall global gender gap to close.

Not surprisingly, one of the worst performers in the index this year is India that has fallen 28 spots to rank 140<sup>th</sup> among 156 countries on the World Economic Forum's Global Gender Gap index. In 2020, India had ranked 112<sup>th</sup> among 153 countries on the index. At 140, India is followed only by a handful of Arab nations or war torn countries like Mali, Yemen and Afghanistan. Dozens of countries like Burkina Faso or Malawi that are much poorer than India and rank lower on human development index, figure much higher than India in gender parity, showing exactly how far behind the world India is in achieving gender parity. [\(Read more\)](#)



## 12. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mansukh Mandaviya

**What:** launches cruise service from Surat to Diu

**When:** published on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Union Minister of State for Ports, Shipping Mansukh Mandaviya on Wednesday flagged off the cruise service from Hazira Port of Surat to Diu via video conferencing.

Addressing the event, the Minister said, "I feel very happy to announce that before 2014, there were 139 cruise calls at the Indian Ports but today we have 450 cruise calls in the country despite the Covid-19 pandemic. There has been a steady growth in the number of tourists traveling by Cruise Services since 2014. The number before 2014 was one lakh and the number of tourists in 2019-20 was 4.5 lakhs."

"Under the Maritime Vision 2030, we are aiming for more than 350 cruise ships, 3,000 plus cruise calls per annum, more than 3 cruise training academies, and 5 million cruise passengers by 2030. We are taking all-round steps to create perfect ecosystem for the cruise industry,' the Minister said.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 13. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Atal Innovation Mission

**What:** launches 'AIM-PRIME', in partnership with BMGF & Venture Center

**When:** published on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

In a major push towards deep technology and driving the country to become a digitally transformed nation, Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog today launched AIM-PRIME (Program for Researchers on Innovations, Market-Readiness & Entrepreneurship), an initiative to promote and support science-based deep-tech startups & ventures across India.

In this regard, AIM has joined hands with Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) to launch this nationwide program which will be implemented by Venture Center - a non-profit technology business incubator.

The first cohort of the program is open to technology developers (early-stage deep tech start-ups, and scientists/ engineers/ clinicians) with strong science-based deep tech business ideas. The program is also open to CEOs and Senior incubation managers of AIM Funded Atal Incubation Centers that are supporting deep tech entrepreneurs.

Deep technology is an outcome of very intense research and development (R&D) with high knowledge content. Consequently, the entrepreneurial journey emphasizes different aspects and requires a different approach to navigating the de-risking process and bringing such ideas to market.



The benefits of this program are aimed at addressing specific issues through training and guidance over a period of 12 months. Candidates selected for the program will get access to in-depth learning via a comprehensive lecture series, live team projects, exercises, and project-specific mentoring.

They will also have access to a deep tech startup playbook, curated video library, and plenty of peer-to-peer learning opportunities. The AIM-PRIME program is specifically tailored for the rapid scaling up of deep-tech science ventures in India, providing not just the necessary intellect and support but also the exposure they rightly deserve. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 14. Hints to Remember

**Who:** International Children's Book Day 2021

**What:** was observed on April 2

First celebrated in 1967, International Children's Book Day is held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April every year to promote children's reading and books.

Organised by IBBY (The International Board on Books for Young People), different National sponsors are chosen each year to represent Children's Book Day internationally.

Representatives from the chosen country - usually including a renowned author - choose a theme and create messages to send to the world.

The date of the event signifies the birthday of Hans Christian Andersen: the renowned Danish author responsible for such well-known stories as 'The Emperor's New Clothes', 'The Little Mermaid' and 'The Ugly Duckling'. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 15. Hints to remember

**Who:** World Autism Awareness Day 2021

**What:** was observed on April 2

Every year on April 2, the United Nations celebrates World Autism Awareness Day with the sole motive to spread awareness among the people about autism. Raising awareness will help people understand and accept those who are suffering from autism, support them, and spread kindness.

Autism Spectrum Disorder or ASD is a developmental disability that causes several challenges for an individual including social, communication and behavioural difficulties. Though various organizations all over the world contribute to the diagnosis and treatment of ASD, it is important for people to know about this disorder. [\(Read more\)](#)

#### 16. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Venkaiah Naidu



**What:** releases book 'Agriculture in India: Contemporary Challenges – in the Context of Doubling Farmers Income'

**When:** published on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu has released the book titled 'Agriculture in India: Contemporary Challenges – in the Context of Doubling Farmers Income'.

This book was authored by former AP Chief Secretary Dr Mohan Kanda.

It also highlights synthesis of the challenges concerning agricultural research, development, policy and programmes. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 17. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Former RBI Governor Urjit Patel

**What:** appointed Additional Director of Britannia

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

The Board of Britannia Industries has appointed former Reserve Bank Governor Urjit Patel as the company's Additional Director in the category of Non-Executive and Independent Director.

He has been appointed as the Additional Director with effect from March 31 for a five-year period.

"The Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held today 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021, approved the appointment of Dr. Urjit Patel, as an Additional Director of the Company in the category of Non-Executive and Independent Director with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021 for a term of 5 years i.e., upto 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2026, subject to approval of the shareholders of the company," Britannia Industries said in a regulatory filing on Wednesday. [\(Read more\)](#)

## 18. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Mukhmeet S Bhatia

**What:** takes over as ESIC DG

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Mukhmeet S Bhatia has assumed charge as Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC), a labour ministry statement said on Thursday.

Bhatia is an IAS officer of 1990 batch of Jharkhand cadre.

Earlier, he has worked as Additional Secretary in Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance.

He has vast experience of governance and management of district and state-level organisations.



He has also served as Principal Secretary in Department of Labour & Employment and Women & Child Development in Jharkhand government.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 19. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Slovak president

**What:** appoints Eduard Heger as prime minister

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

Slovak President Zuzana Caputova appointed Eduard Heger as the new prime minister on Thursday, ending a month-long political crisis.

Heger takes over from his party chairman Igor Matovic, who in turn takes Heger's former seat at the finance ministry. The swap is aimed at quelling coalition disputes sparked by Matovic's surprise purchase of Russian coronavirus vaccine Sputnik V in March.[\(Read more\)](#)

## 20. Hints to Remember

**Who:** Labour Ministry

**What:** forms panels to review standards under OSH&WC Code

**When:** published on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021

The labour ministry has set up three expert committees to review the existing rules and regulations pertaining to safety, fire and other working conditions and to suggest safety related standards for factories under the the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSH&WC) Code, 2020.

The OSH&WC Code has been enacted after amalgamating thirteen different labour legislations and to simplify the laws regulating the occupational safety, health and working conditions in establishments.  
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