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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

#### December GA Quiz 12

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

1. Union cabinet has recently approved what amount for semiconductor manufacturing?

D. Rs 78,000 crore E. None of these

#### 2. Which of the following dates was recently observed as International Migrants Day 2021?

- A. December 15B. December 16C. December 17
- D. December 18 E. None of these

3. According to a survey carried out by data analytics company YouGov, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has ranked \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the list of the world's top 20 most admired men.

A. 7 <sup>th</sup>	B. 8 <sup>th</sup>	C. 9 <sup>th</sup>	eeda
D. 10 <sup>th</sup>	E. None of these		

4. Which company has acquired UPSC test preparation platform StudyIQ Education for \$20 million or Rs 150 crore in a cash and stock deal?

A. Adda247B. GradeupC. AffairsCloudD. UnacademyE. None of these

5. Which motor company has recently decided to develop electric vehicles (EV) with BMW's motorcycle brand in India, joining a host of Indian automakers that have sought to expand their clean mobility offering?

A. Bajaj Auto B. Hero MotoCorp C. TVS Motor Company

D. Honda Motor Company E. None of these



6. Which state government has recently signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi on the Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) for strengthening the capacities to support the farmers for adopting the sustainable Agri-food systems?

A. Arunachal Pradesh	B. Jharkhand	C. Madhya Pradesh
D. Andhra Pradesh	E. None of these	

7. Who among the following has recently joined as Director General of Software Technology of India (STPI)?

A. Arvind KumarB. Nitesh ShuklaC. Mayank AgarwalD. Siddharth VermaE. None of these

#### 8. Which Typhoon has recently hit southern Philippines?

A. Yaas	B. Vayu	C. Hikaa

D. Rai E. None of these

9. The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and which country agreed to replace surveillance cameras at Karaj nuclear site?

A. Oman B. Saudi Arabia C. Iran

D. Iraq E. None of these

## 10. Which organization has recently unveiled 93 billion support aid for poorest nation to recover from Covid-19 crisis?

A. BRICS Bank B. United Nations C. World Bank

D. Asian Development Bank E. None of these

#### 11. DST-CII Technology Summit 2021 was recently organised in which city?

- A. Chandigarh B. New Delhi C. Jaipur
- D. Lucknow E. None of these



# 12. The Supreme Court has recently given the nod to resume bullock cart races in which state that were prohibited since 2017?

A. Kerala	B. Karnataka	C. Maharashtra
D. Andhra Pradesh	E. None of these	

#### 13. World Arabic Language Day 2021 was recently observed on which date?

- A. December 15 B. December 16 C. December 17
- D. December 18 E. None of these

#### 14. National Minorities Rights Day 2021 was recently observed on which date?

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

## 15. A penalty of ₹ 1.8 crore has been imposed on which bank by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for deficiencies in regulatory compliances?

- A. State Bank of India B. Bank of India C. Punjab National Bank
- D. United Bank of India E. None of these De Ouestion Bank

#### 16. Which state has recently launched special 'Pink Force' to prevent crime against women & children?

- A. Gujarat B. Maharashtra C. Goa
- D. Rajasthan E. None of these

#### 17. Which states has recently observed Nupee Lal Day 2021?

- A. Tripura B. Manipur C. Assam
- D. Sikkim E. None of these

#### 18. Florence Parly has recently arrived in India. She is defence minister of which country?

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



#### 19. Which private sector bank has been fined ₹ 30 lakh for deficiencies in regulatory compliances?

- A. YES Bank B. ICICI Bank
- D. IDBI Bank E. None of these

20. The Government has given in-principle approval for how many plastic parks in the country with an aim to consolidate and synergize the capacities of the domestic plastic processing industry?

C. HDFC Bank

- A. 12 B. 10 C. 15
- D. 20 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
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#### **Explanation:**

#### 1. Hints to Remember

Who: Cabinet

What: approves Rs 76,000 crore incentive plan to woo manufacturers

When: published on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the much-awaited incentive plan to push manufacturing of semiconductors in the country.

After the Cabinet meeting -- which was headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi -- Union ministers Anurag Thakur and Ashwani Vaishnav announced the production linked incentive (PLI) scheme worth Rs 76,000 crore for semiconductor and display board production in India.

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Hence, the correct answer is option B.(Read more)

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: International Migrants Day 2021

What: was observed on 18<sup>th</sup> December

International Migrants Day 2021: The United States has designated December 18 as the International Migrants Day. The day acknowledges the importance of protecting the rights and dignity of migrants around the world. People often move from their country voluntarily or are forced to leave their homeland.

For this year, the United Nations has announced the theme for International Migrants Day as 'Harnessing the Potential of Human Mobility.' The UN mentioned in its statement that migrants contribute with their "knowledge, networks, and skills to build stronger, more resilient communities."

Hence, the correct answer is option D.(Read more)

#### 3. Hints to remember

Who: Prime Minister Narendra Modi

What: has ranked 8th on the list of the world's top 20 most admired men



When: published on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has ranked 8th on the list of the world's top 20 most admired men, in a survey carried out by data analytics company YouGov. PM Modi is ahead of Shah Rukh Khan, Amitabh Bachchan and Virat Kohli. The list has been compiled taking feedback from 42,000 people in 38 countries, the survey company said.

Apart from PM Modi, the other Indian men who, according to the survey, were the most admired in 2021 include Sachin Tendulkar, Shah Rukh Khan, Amitabh Bachchan and Virat Kohli.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.(Read more)

#### 4. Hints to Remember

#### Who: Adda247

What: acquires UPSC Test prep platform StudyIQ Education for Rs 150 crore

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Gurgaon-based edtech platform Adda247 announced it has acquired UPSC test preparation platform StudyIQ Education for \$20 million or Rs 150 crore in a cash and stock deal.

Adda247 is an online government test preparation platform. The platforms allow students to prepare for various government exams like Railways, Banking, SSC, Defence, Teaching, etc.

With this, The Gurgaon-based company will be focusing on strengthening its position in the UPSC segment, which has one of the highest ARPUs (average revenue per user) in the test preparation segment, the statement said.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.(Read more)

#### 5. Hints to Remember

Who: TVS Motor and BMW Motorrad

What: tie up to make electric vehicles

When: published on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

TVS Motor Company on Wednesday and BMW Motorrad on Wednesday announced expansion of their long standing partnership to include joint development of new platforms and future technologies, including electric vehicles.

Under the extended scope of partnership, the companies plan to come up with electric vehicle platform in addition to the existing internal combustion platform for both global and domestic markets.



The first product under the enhanced co-operation, an electric model suited for the urban ecosystem, is expected to make its debut in the next 24 months.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 6. Hints to Remember

Who: Andhra Pradesh

What: tie-up with UN-FAO & ICAR for sustainable agriculture

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Government of Andhra Pradesh signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and Indian Council of Agricultural Research, New Delhi on the Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) for strengthening the capacities to support the farmers for adopting the sustainable Agri-food systems. The FAO apart, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research is collaborating on the project.

FAO will provide training to farmers, Rythu Bharosa Kendram (RBK) staff, officials, and scientists on new technologies in agricultural allied sectors and training to farmers on best cultivation management practices. In 2020, Rythu Bharosa Kendram (RBK) or farmer support centers were set up in AP as part of an effort to weed away fake seeds, pesticides, and fertilizers from the markets.

Hence, the correc<mark>t answer is</mark> option D.

#### 7. Hints to Remember

Who: Arvind Kumar

What: joins Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) as Director General

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

Arvind Kumar has joined as Director General of Software Technology of India (STPI). Software Technology Parks of India (STPI) is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India. STPI is fuelling the culture of tech entrepreneurship and innovation in the country by launching 25-plus Centres of Entrepreneurship in emerging technology domains.

NGIS is flagship program of MeitY implemented by STPI to realise the vision of NPSP to democratise software product development in Tier-2/3 cities by providing a robust ecosystem, which will lead to IPR creation, product development, and generate employment opportunities for skilled talent pool. Under Arvind Kumar's able leadership STPI will further reach new heights.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.(Read more)



#### 8. Hints to Remember

Who: Mass evacuations as super Typhoon Rai

What: slams into Philippines

When: published on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Tens of thousands of people have been evacuated from their homes in the Philippines as "one of the world's strongest storms" of the year made landfall in mid-eastern parts of the island nation.

The Philippine's weather bureau, PAGASA, said Typhoon Rai made its first landfall in Surigao del Norte's Siargao Island at 05:30 GMT.

It warned of "very destructive typhoon-force winds" in parts of the country and said it expected to see storm surges in coastal areas, as well as flooding and landslides in mountainous areas along the typhoon's path.

Hence, the correct answer is option D.(Read more)

#### 9. Hints to Remember

Who: IAEA, Iran

What: agree to replace surveillance cameras at Karaj nuclear site

When: published on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) will soon install new surveillance cameras at Iran's Karaj nuclear facility under an agreement between the two sides, the international nuclear energy watchdog said.

The agreement was concluded by IAEA Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi and the Head of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran, Mohammad Eslami.

According to an IAEA press release, the cameras, to be installed in the coming days, will replace those that were removed from the Karaj centrifuge component manufacturing workshop earlier this year, Xinhua news agency reported.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 10. Hints to Remember

Who: World Bank

What: unveils 93 billion support aid for poorest nation to recover from Covid-19 crisis

When: published on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021



The World Bank's fund to help the world's poorest nations got a \$93 billion injection of cash to help scale up aid for pandemic recovery and other programs, the institution announced.

It was the biggest replenishment ever for the International Development Association (IDA), which provides grants for 74 countries, most of which are in Africa, the Washington-based development lender said.

The package includes \$23.5 billion of contributions from 48 high- and middle-income countries as well as financing raised in the capital markets and the World Bank's own contributions, according to a statement.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 11. Hints to Remember

Who: DST-CII Technology Summit 2021

What: organised in New Delhi

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh, highlighted that while innovation has been an integral part of industry, digitization is changing the very nature of the innovative process, providing companies new opportunities to create value, evolve and grow, at the DST-CII Technology Summit.

Participants from India, the Netherlands, Brazil, Canada, and Russia are deliberating on collaboration opportunities between industry, academia, and research intuitions from the different countries in the areas of climate technologies & green economy, advanced manufacturing, new materials, mobility, healthcare, agriculture & water technologies at the two-day summit jointly inaugurated by Indian Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh and Vice Minister, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Policy, the Netherlands Mr. Focco Vijselaar.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.(Read more)

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: Supreme Court

What: approves resumption of bullock cart races in Maharashtra

When: published on 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Supreme Court gave the nod to resume bullock cart races in Maharashtra that were prohibited since 2017.



A Bench led by Justice A.M. Khanwilkar said the amended rules notified by the State under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960 would apply to the conduct of the races until a final decision is arrived at by a Constitution Bench of the court.

The court found no reason to prohibit races in Maharashtra when jallikattu and bullock cart races were happening in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka respectively on the strength of amendments made by these States in their rules.

The court was hearing an application filed by the Maharashtra government, which had sought that the ban on bullock cart races in the State should be lifted as they were held in Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 13. Hints to Remember

Who: World Arabic Language Day 2021

What: was observed on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021

World Arabic Language Day is observed on 18 December to honour the Arabic language, which is spoken by over 400 million people globally. The day has been celebrated since 2012 to mark the adoption of Arabic as the sixth official language of the United Nations by the UN General Assembly on 18 December, 1973.

This year, the theme of the World Arabic Language Day is "Arabic Language, a bridge between civilisations". The theme aims to highlight the importance of the language in connecting people, and knowledge systems, throughout history.

The theme reflects the role of Arabic as a connector between civilisations and its role in building peace and enhancing dialogue.

Hence, the correct answer is option D.(Read more)

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: Minorities Rights Day 2021

What: was observed on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Minorities Rights Day 2021: Every year, December 18 is observed as the Minorities Rights Day to uphold the right to freedom and equal opportunities for the ethnic minorities in India and create awareness about the respect and dignity of the minorities. On this day, the country focuses on the challenges and issues faced by the minority communities of different ethnic origins. People talk about safeguarding the rights of the religious, cultural, linguistic, and ethnic minorities. The day also highlights the need to eliminate all forms of discrimination against minorities.



The Minority Rights Day 2021 in India is celebrated annually on December 18 by conducting debates and seminars on the topic. The plight and situation of the minorities are thoroughly studied to rule out discrimination from the country.

The Minority Rights Day 2021 aims to uplift all the minority sections of society and back them to voice their opinion. Considering the COVID-19 pandemic, all the sessions, seminars, and debates are likely to take place digitally.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.(Read more)

#### 15. Hints to Remember

#### Who: PNB

What: Fined ₹ 1.8 Crore, ICICI Bank Gets Reserve Bank Penalty Too

When: published on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021

A penalty of ₹ 1.8 crore has been imposed on Punjab National Bank (PNB) by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), while ICICI Bank has been fined ₹ 30 lakh for deficiencies in regulatory compliances.

According to a statement issued by the central bank, PNB was found guilty of contravening provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, related to pledge of shares by it.

Investigations by RBI found that PNB had held shares in borrower companies, as pledgee, of an amount exceeding thirty per cent of paid-up share capital of those companies.

After going through the submissions given by the bank, RBI was convinced that the violation called for imposition of fine and therefore the penalty of ₹ 1.8 crore was imposed on PNB.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 16. Hints to Remember

Who: Goa CM

What: Launches Special 'Pink Force' To Prevent Crime Against Women & Children

When: published on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2021

To curb crime against women in Goa, Chief Minister Pramod Sawant inaugurated the Goa Police Pink Force on Friday, December 17. According to CM Sawant, a squad of women Goa Police officials will provide a shied not only to women but also to children and tourists. Initially, the women forces who are specially trained to deal with the crime related to sexual assault and other sensitive issues will be deployed at 11 major police stations, Sawant announced. "Those 11 police stations include the coastal region of the state," CM said. Further, the Chief Minister assured that the Goa Police Pink Force will be deployed across the state very soon.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)



#### 17. Hints to Remember

Who: Manipur

What: observes Nupee Lal Day 2021

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

Manipur today observed Nupee Lal Day, 2021 remembering the brave womenfolk of the State, who fought against the monopolistic trade interest of British colonial rulers in 1939. The observation was held at different places of the State. However, the State level function was held at Nupee Lal Memorial Complex, Imphal with the presence of Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, state ministers, MLAs, high-ranking officials of the State Government and general public.

Shri Biren led the gathering in offering floral tributes to the Nupee Lal statue. A drama that depicted the Nupee Lal of 1939 was also staged.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.(Read more)

#### 18. Hints to Remember

Who: French Defence Minister Florence Parly

What: arrives in India

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and his French counterpart Florence Parly on Friday held wide-ranging talks with a focus on further enhancing bilateral defence and security cooperation as well as pressing regional issues.

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Parly arrived in Delhi on Thursday evening on a two-day visit.

Officials earlier said the recent developments in Afghanistan and the situation in the Indo-Pacific region would figure in the talks.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.(Read more)

#### 19. Hints to Remember

Who: ICICI Bank

What: has been fined ₹ 30 lakh for deficiencies in regulatory compliances

When: published on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021

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Hence, the correct answer is option B.(Read more)

#### 20. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

**What:** gives approval for 10 plastic parks to consolidate, synergize capacities of domestic plastic processing industry

When: published on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

The Government has given in-principle approval for 10 plastic parks in the country with an aim to consolidate and synergize the capacities of the domestic plastic processing industry.

This was informed by the Minister of State for Chemical and Fertilizers Bhagwant Khuba in the Lok Sabha. He said so far 08 plastic parks have been approved and 02 are in the process of getting final approval.

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Hence, the correc<mark>t answer is</mark> option B.(Read more)





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