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December GA Quiz 20

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

1. Who among the following is the author of a book titled "India's Ancient Legacy of Wellness"?

- A. Rekha Chaudhari B. Kamala Devi C. Meena Kandasamy
D. Kiran Chauhan E. None of these

2. Which of the following states has recently declared 'Tamil Thai Vaazhthu' by Manonmaniam Sundaranar as State Song?

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

3. R L Jalappa passed away recently. He was a/an _____ .

- A. Writer B. Politician C. Architect
D. Novelist E. None of these

4. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully test-fired the new generation nuclear-capable ballistic missile 'Agni Prime' from APJ Abdul Kalam island off the coast of Odisha in Balasore. What is the Strike Range of the missile?

- A. 2000 km B. 3000 km C. 5000 km
D. 7000 km E. None of these

5. Who among the following was sworn in as Austrian chancellor by President Alexander Van der Bellen?

- A. Karl Nehammer B. Gernot Blümel C. Sebastian Kurz
D. Peter Nidetzky E. None of these

6. Gujarat Alkalies and Chemicals Limited (GACL) and which organization have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for setting up a bioethanol plant with a production capacity of 500 kilo litre per day (KLD) in Gujarat?

- A. GAIL Limited B. NTPC Limited C. Coal India Limited
D. NHPC Limited E. None of these



7. The Government of India and which bank have signed a 442.26 million euros loan pact for Surat Metro Rail project?

- A. France Development Bank
- B. Germany Development Bank
- C. African Development Bank
- D. American Development Bank
- E. None of these

8. The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) has set up a committee for creating a framework for transfer of stressed loans from domestic lenders to financial institutions in IFSC. Who among the following will be the head of the committee?

- A. G Padmanabhan
- B. V K Aatre
- C. R Chidambaram
- D. Govindan Rangarajan
- E. None of these

9. Which bank has been authorized by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), based on a recommendation from the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance and Government of India (GoI), to collect indirect taxes on behalf of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)?

- A. Federal Bank
- B. RBL Bank
- C. ICICI Bank
- D. HDFC Bank
- E. None of these

10. Chief Justice of India, N.V. Ramana has recently inaugurated India's first International Arbitration and Mediation Centre (IAMC) in which state?

- A. Odisha
- B. Kerala
- C. Telangana
- D. Tamil Nadu
- E. None of these

11. India and which country have announced a new programme 'Technology-based Energy Solutions: Innovations for Net Zero'?

- A. Russia
- B. China
- C. USA
- D. Canada
- E. None of these

12. _____ and Generation India Foundation (GIF) have recently announced the launch of Project AMBER (Accelerated Mission for Better Employment and Retention) at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi?

- A. Industrial Training Institute
- B. National Skill Development Corporation
- C. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- D. University of Delhi
- E. None of these

13. Rajasthan's Art and Culture Minister BD Kalla has recently inaugurated _____ Lokrang-2021 in Jaipur.

- A. 23rd
- B. 25th
- C. 26th
- D. 24th
- E. None of these

14. Olympics India has recently inducted how many athletes in first list of TOPS athletes for 2024 Games?

- A. 148
- B. 150
- C. 145
- D. 141
- E. None of these

15. Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Anurag Thakur has recently launched first edition of Khelo India Women's Hockey League U-21 in _____ .

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Jaipur
- D. Kolkata
- E. None of these

16. Which company has recently entered into a long-term agreement with Angul Sukinda Railway (ASRL) to invest ₹400 crore for construction, operation and maintenance of additional rail line to meet the logistic needs of its Kalinganagar Steel plant?

- A. Tata Steel
- B. JSW Steel
- C. IISCO Steel
- D. Essar Steel
- E. None of these



17. Which company has announced the appointment of Balaji Rao as its new country manager for India and SAARC markets, responsible for revenue generation, strategic business development and operations?

- A. FireEye
- B. Mandiant
- C. CrowdStrike
- D. Secureworks
- E. None of these

18. Which company has recently tokenised cards on all three major payment networks - Visa, Mastercard and Rupay?

- A. PhonePe
- B. BharatPe
- C. Jio Pay
- D. Airtel Pay
- E. None of these

19. India has recently registered the highest ever annual Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflow of _____ dollar in 2020-21.

- A. 80.97 billion
- B. 81.97 billion
- C. 82.97 billion
- D. 83.97 billion
- E. None of these

20. Which bank has recently approved the \$150-million 'Chennai City Partnership: Sustainable Urban Services Programme' that seeks to strengthen institutions and improve the quality and financial sustainability of selected urban services in Chennai?

- A. European Investment Bank
- B. International Investment Bank
- C. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
- D. Asian Development Bank
- 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
A	E	B	C	A	A	B	A	B	C	C	B	D	A	B	A	B	A	B	C

Explanation:

1. Hints to Remember

Who: Dr Rekha Chaudhari's book "India's Ancient Legacy of Wellness"

What: launched in presence of Honorable Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari and Smita Thackeray

When: published on 15th December 2021

On the Occasion of World Digital Day Celebration and Book Launch Honorable Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari congratulated Dr Rekha Chaudhari and appreciated her unique work will definitely bring the attention of citizens across the globe.

He also said the book reveals to us that how important it is for us human beings to be close to nature which helps us to revive and recharge us to do productive work.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Tamil Nadu

What: Declared 'Tamil Thai Vaazhthu' by Manonmaniam Sundaranar as State Song

When: published on 17th December 2021

Tamil Thai Vaazhthu (Invocation Song) penned by renowned scholar Manonmaniam Sundaranar was on Friday declared as the state song of Tamil Nadu.

Chief Minister M K Stalin made the announcement in a press statement in which he said all should remain standing when the song is sung at the beginning of functions organised by the state government and educational institutions.

Hence, the correct answer is option E. [\(Read more\)](#)

3. Hints to Remember

Who: Former Union Minister R.L. Jalappa

What: passes away

When: published on 18th December 2021

Veteran Congress leader and former Union Minister R.L. Jalappa passed away in Kolar on December 17 following age-related issues. He was 96.

He is survived by four daughters and three sons.

Born on October 19, 1925, Mr. Jalappa was elected to the Lok Sabha from Chickballapur constituency on the Janata Dal ticket in 1996 and became the Union Minister for Textiles in the governments headed by former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda and I.K. Gujral. He later joined the Congress and was re-elected from the same constituency in 1998, 1999, and 2004. He served as member of several parliamentary committees.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. [\(Read more\)](#)

4. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: successfully test-fired new generation ballistic missile 'Agni-P'

When: published on 18th December 2021

On December 18, 2021, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) successfully test-fired the new generation nuclear-capable ballistic missile 'Agni Prime' from APJ Abdul Kalam island off the coast of Odisha in Balasore.

Various telemetry, radar, electro-optical stations and downrange ships positioned along the eastern coast tracked and monitored the missile trajectory and parameters. The missile followed a textbook trajectory meeting all mission objectives with a high level of accuracy.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh extended his congratulations to DRDO for the successful flight test and expressed his gratitude for the excellent performance of the system. Taking to the micro-blogging site, the Minister said, "Congratulations to Team DRDO. The nation is proud of their achievements."

Capable of eliminating an enemy 5,000 kilometres away India has successfully test-fired the new generation nuclear-capable ballistic missile 'Agni P'. Designed and developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), the successful launch of the missile is in line with India's stated policy to have 'credible minimum deterrence.'

Hence, the correct answer is option C. [\(Read more\)](#)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: Karl Nehammer

What: Sworn in as Chancellor of Austria

When: published on 6th December 2021

Karl Nehammer was sworn in as Austrian chancellor by President Alexander Van der Bellen on Monday in a ceremony in Vienna's Hofburg Palace as the country's third leader in three months.

He now faces the task of trying to free the coalition government from the taint of months of political turmoil and scandal and of creating conditions conducive to lifting the country's coronavirus lockdown.

Nehammer, 49, from the ruling conservative Austrian People's Party (ÖVP), was formerly the country's interior minister.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: GACL, GAIL

What: team up to establish bioethanol plant in Gujarat

When: published on 18th December 2021

Gujarat Alkalies and Chemicals Limited (GACL) and GAIL (India) Limited signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for setting up a bioethanol plant with a production capacity of 500 kilo litre per day (KLD) in Gujarat.

Apart from the plant, both the companies also agreed to cooperate in other areas of mutual interest. The MoU was signed in the presence of chief minister Bhupendra Patel.

The cost of the project is estimated to the tune of Rs 1,000 crore and it is expected to generate annual revenues of approximately Rs 1,500 crores. The project will also generate direct and indirect employment for around 700 individuals, the state government said.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: India, Germany Development Bank

What: sign 442.26 mn loan pact for Surat Metro Rail Project

When: published on 17th December 2021

The Government of India and the Germany Development Bank - KfW (Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau) signed a 442.26 million euros loan pact for Surat Metro Rail project. The total cost of the project is 1.5 billion euros, of which KfW is financing 442.26 million euros, a Finance Ministry statement said.

The project is being co-financed by French Development Agency, AFD (Agence Française de Développement). The Agreement with AFD for 250 million euros was signed on January 28, 2021, it said.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. [\(Read more\)](#)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: IFSCA

What: sets up panel for creating framework for transfer of stressed loan

When: published on 17th December 2021

The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) sets up a committee for creating a framework for transfer of stressed loans from domestic lenders to financial institutions in IFSC.

Former executive director of RBI G Padmanabhan would be chairing the committee which will also include representative from law firm and other market participants possessing expertise in banking and legal issues, IFSCA said in a statement.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)

9. Hints to Remember

Who: RBI

What: authorised RBL Bank to Collect Indirect Taxes

When: published on 20th December 2021

RBL Bank has been authorized by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), based on a recommendation from the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance and Government of India (GoI), to collect indirect taxes on behalf of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC).

The Bank had recently been authorised to collect Direct taxes on behalf of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). With this announcement, the Bank can now collect Direct and Indirect taxes.

After technical integration, RBL Bank's corporate and individual customers will be able to pay their Indirect taxes through RBL Bank's mobile banking or net banking platforms as well as through the branch banking network.

Hence, the correct answer is option B. [\(Read more\)](#)

10. Hints to Remember

Who: CJI NV Ramana

What: Inaugurated India's 1st IAMC in Telangana

When: published on 18th December 2021

India's first International Arbitration and Mediation Centre (IAMC) was jointly inaugurated by Chief Justice of India, N.V. Ramana, and Telangana Chief Minister, K. Chandrasekhar Rao.

The IAMC has come up with 25,000 sq ft temporary accommodation at VK Towers in Gachibowli, an information technology hub.

The state government has announced that land for a permanent building will be allotted at Puppalaguda in Hyderabad.

Life trustee of the centre, Justice R.V. Raveendran, Supreme Court judges L. Nageswara Rao, Hima Kohli and judges from the Telangana and Andhra Pradesh high courts attended the event.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.[\(Read more\)](#)

11. Hints to Remember

Who: India & USA

What: announce new programme 'Technology-based Energy Solutions: Innovations for Net Zero'

When: published on 17th December 2021

India and the US have announced a new program supporting innovations to tackle climate and clean energy challenges. The program titled 'Technology-based Energy Solutions: Innovations for Net Zero' constitutes a call for Ignition Grants by the United States-India Science and Technology Endowment Fund. It will identify and support 'technology showstoppers' or promising joint India-US Science and Tech-based entrepreneurial initiatives in this area.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.[\(Read more\)](#)

12. Hints to Remember

Who: NSDC and GIF

What: launched Project AMBER to Empower Youth with Industry Relevant Skills

When: published on 16th December 2021

In an endeavour to bridge the gap between skilling and employment, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and Generation India Foundation (GIF) today announced the launch of Project AMBER (Accelerated Mission for Better Employment and Retention) at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The initiative aims to develop and implement a scalable, and sustainable model of skill development that supports inclusive growth to ensure better outcomes and institutional strengthening, to empower India's youth with the industry-relevant skills and employment opportunities.

The project is equally funded by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) under the Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) programme, and private philanthropy and aims to train 30,000 youth, 50% of whom will be women. The training will be conducted in Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) across 70 districts in COVID-resilient job roles.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.[\(Read more\)](#)



13. Hints to Remember

Who: Rajasthan's Art and Culture Minister BD Kalla

What: inaugurated 24th Lokrang-2021 in Jaipur

When: published on 14th December 2021

Lokrang 2021 will be held at the Jawahar Kala Kendra (JKK) from December 16 to 26 under the auspices of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', the Department of Art and Culture, the Government of Rajasthan, and Rural Non – Farm Development Agency (RUDA).

This will be the 24th edition of the event which is a well-known festival known for the performance of folk artistes. Folk artistes from the entire country will present their mesmerizing performances. The program will be inaugurated by the Rajasthan Art and Culture Minister, Dr B D Kalla on 16 December at 6.30 pm. On this occasion, the Principal Secretary Art and Culture as well as the Director-General of JKK, Gayatri Rathore, and Rajeshwar Singh, IAS, Chairman and Managing Director of RUDA will also be present as the Guest of Honour.

Hence, the correct answer is option D. [\(Read more\)](#)

14. Hints to Remember

Who: Olympics India

What: inducts 148 athletes in first list of TOPS athletes for 2024 Games

When: published on 13th December 2021

A total of 148 athletes, including 20 new inductees, in seven Olympic disciplines and six Paralympic disciplines have been identified for support under the Target Olympic Podium Scheme at a meeting of the Mission Olympic Cell of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports here.

The MOC approved lists in Cycling, Sailing, Shooting, Swimming, Table Tennis, Weightlifting and Wrestling as well as Para Sports (Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Shooting, Swimming, Table Tennis). Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Boxing, Equestrian, Fencing, Golf, Gymnastics, Judo, Rowing and Tennis will be taken up in the next meeting later this month.

Though planning and preparation for the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris started much earlier, the MOC meeting marks the formal start of the shortened Olympic cycle. As many as seven athletes have earned elevation from the Khelo India Scheme and are among the new inductees to TOPS Development Group.

Hence, the correct answer is option A. [\(Read more\)](#)



15. Hints to Remember

Who: Sports Minister Anurag Thakur

What: launches first edition of Khelo India Women's U-21 Hockey League in New Delhi

When: published on 15th December 2021

Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Anurag Thakur today launched first edition of Khelo India Women's Hockey League U-21 at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium in New Delhi today. A total of 14 teams across different States will participate in the league from 15th to 21st of this month.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr Thakur said, if Leagues are established across the country before participation in big events, it will help athletes to play around the year. He congratulated Hockey India and Sports Authority of India for giving an opportunity to young women hockey players. Mr Thakur said, this platform will provide opportunity to Hockey players to showcase their talent.

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

16. Hints to Remember

Who: Tata Steel

What: signs pact for new rail line to Kalinganagar plant

When: published on 16th December 2021

Tata Steel has entered into a long-term agreement with Angul Sukinda Railway (ASRL) to invest ₹400 crore for construction, operation and maintenance of additional rail line to meet the logistic needs of its Kalinganagar Steel plant.

Angul Sukinda Railway is a public limited company incorporated as a special purpose vehicle by the Ministry of Railways for developing, financing, construction, operation and maintenance of a 104.24-km-long broad gauge single railway line between Angul and Sukinda in Odisha.

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

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Mandiant

What: appoints Balaji Rao as country manager to head India operations

When: published on 13th December 2021

American cybersecurity firm Mandiant has announced the appointment of Balaji Rao as its new country manager for India and SAARC markets, responsible for revenue generation, strategic business development and operations.

An industry veteran with over 25 years' experience working with large MNCs and enterprises in leadership roles, Balaji will be spearheading the team to help organisations in India gain their cyber security advantage with Mandiant's portfolio of solutions and services.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.[\(Read more\)](#)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: PhonePe

What: tokenised cards on Visa, Mastercard and Rupay

When: published on 16th December 2021

Digital payments platform PhonePe announced that it has tokenised cards on all three major payment networks - Visa, Mastercard and Rupay.

"PhonePe's tokenisation solution will help businesses save time and effort by removing the need to integrate with multiple card networks while complying with RBI guidelines," it said in an official release.

The Reserve Bank of India has asked payment aggregators and the merchants onboarded by them to not store actual credit card data. Starting January 1, 2022, no entity in the card transaction or payment chain, other than the card issuers and/or card networks, shall store the actual card data. Instead, cardholders can get digital tokens to complete their online transactions.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.[\(Read more\)](#)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: India

What: registers highest-ever annual FDI inflow of 81.97 billion dollars in 2020-21

When: published on 17th December 2021

India has registered the highest ever annual Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflow of 81.97 billion dollar in 2020-21. Commerce and Industry Ministry said, FDI inflows in the last seven financial years is over 440 billion dollar, which is nearly 58 percent of the total FDI inflow in last 21 financial years.

The Ministry said, top five countries from where FDI Equity Inflows were received during 2014 to 2021 are Singapore, Mauritius, USA, Netherlands and Japan.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.[\(Read more\)](#)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: AIIB

What: to help Chennai make urban services green and resilient

When: published on 16th December 2021

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) has approved the \$150-million 'Chennai City Partnership: Sustainable Urban Services Programme' that seeks to strengthen institutions and improve the quality and financial sustainability of selected urban services in Chennai.

"Tamil Nadu is an economic powerhouse and is one of India's most urbanized States. Chennai dominates the State's demographic and economic landscape and is experiencing rapid physical growth and changes in its boundaries. However, Chennai faces tremendous infrastructure deficits and low service quality in core urban sectors such as water resource management, water supply and sanitation, urban mobility, solid waste management and public health," the Beijing-based multilateral development Bank said in a statement.

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



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