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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

### July GA Quiz 19

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

1. Which of the following state government has recently issued fresh orders for the implementation of 10 per cent reservation for economically weaker sections (EWS) in education and employment, in accordance with the Constitution 103 Amendment Act?

- A. Tamil Nadu B. Kerala C. Maharashtra E. None of these D. Manipur 2. Which of the following state government has recently launched new EV Policy 2021? A. Gujarat B. Rajasthan C. Punjab D. Maharashtra E. None of these 3. Who among the following has recently taken over as the Vice Chief of Air Staff? B. Raghunath Nambiar A. Harjit Singh Arora C. Vivek Ram Chaudhari D. R K S Bhadauria E. None of these 4. Covid vaccination campaign for pregnant women "Mathrukavacham" was launched in which state? A. Maharashtra B. Tamil Nadu C. Kerala D. Andhra Pradesh E. None of these 5. Which country has appointed career diplomat Atul Keshap as the country's Charge'd Affairs in Delhi? C. Saudi Arabia A. Russia B. UAE D. USA E. None of these 6. Who among the following has become the youngest ever chess Grandmaster after he scored his third GM norm in Budapest, Hungary?
- A. Nihal Sarin B. Anish Giri C. Abhimanyu Mishra D. Abhimanyu Puranik E. None of these www.smartkeeda.com | testzone.smartkeeda.com



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#### 7. Bandaru Dattatreya has recently taken oath as 18th Governor of which state?

- A. Punjab B. Rajasthan C. Gujarat
- D. Haryana E. None of these

8. Which company has recently launched Shopsy, an app that will enable Indians to start their online businesses without any investment?

- A. Myntra B. Snapdeal C. Flipkart
- D. Amazon E. None of these

9. The Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (IAHE) has inked an Agreement with University of New South Wales, Australia for setting up a Centre for Advanced Transportation Technology and Systems in which city?

A. Gurugram	B. New Delhi	C. Noida

D. Faridabad E. None of these

10. Which of the following states has recently launched 'Students Credit Card' to provide soft loan upto Rs. 10 lakh for higher studies?

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A. Tamil Nadu	B. Kerala	C. West Bengal

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D. Manipur E. None of these

11. The Union Cabinet has recently approved a scheme to provide what amount over five years as subsidy to Indian shipping companies in global tenders floated by ministries and CPSEs for import of government cargo?

A. Rs 1,224 crore	B. Rs 1,524 crore	C. Rs 1,924 crore
D. Rs 1,624 crore	E. None of these	

12. The Union Cabinet has recently extended the Rebate of State and Central Levies and Taxes (RoSCTL) scheme till \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a move aimed at helping the textile exporters.

A. March 2022	B. March 2023	C. March 2024
D. March 2025	E. None of these	



**13.** Union Cabinet has recently approved continuation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Development of Infrastructure Facilities for Judiciary for further five years till \_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A. March 2025
 B. March 2026
 C. March 2027

D. March 2028 E. None of these

14. Union Cabinet has recently approved continuation of the National Ayush Mission as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for another five years till \_\_\_\_\_\_.

A. 2024 B. 2025 C. 2026

D. 2027 E. None of these

15. North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM) has recently been renamed as North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR). The Institute is located in which state?

A. Assam	B. Sikkim	C. Manipur

D. Arunachal Pradesh E. None of these

16. The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and which country on cooperation in the field of health and medicine?

A. Sweden	B. Denmark	C. Poland

D. Ireland E. None of these

#### 17. World Emoji Day was observed on which date?

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

# 18. Which of the following states has recently topped the list of states with maximum deaths due to lightning strikes since 2019?

A. JharkhandB. Uttar PradeshC. BiharD. Madhya PradeshE. None of these



19. Which company has appointed B Anand as the head of business for developing and implementing large scale polymer projects with sustainability focus, including oil-to-polymer complex (OToP) across India and the rest of the world?

- A. The Chatterjee Group B. LinkedIn Corporation C. Cisco Systems
- D. Juniper Networks E. None of these

20. Which company has announced the appointment of Sudhanshu Vats as its deputy managing director?

- A. Tata Chemicals B. Aarti Industries C. Pidilite Industries
- D. Asian Paints E. None of these





#### **Correct answer:**

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#### **Explanation**:

#### 1. Hints to Remember

Who: Andhra Pradesh

What: to implement 10% EWS quota in employment, education

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

The Andhra Pradesh government has issued fresh orders for the implementation of 10 per cent reservation for economically weaker sections (EWS) in education and employment, in accordance with the Constitution 103 Amendment Act.

The state government has, in fact, been implementing EWS reservation in education for the last two years following interim orders passed by the High Court in a writ petition.

Persons who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and socially and educationally backward classes, with a gross family income below Rs 8 lakh per annum, will get the benefit of EWS reservation, an order issued by Chief Secretary Aditya Hence, the correct answer is option E. (Read more) Nath Das said.

#### 2. Hints to Remember

Who: Maharashtra govt

What: launches new EV Policy 2021

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

In a big push to electric vehicles in India, the Maharashtra govt launches the new Electric Vehicle Policy -2021.

The policy announced by the State Environment Minister, Aaditya Thackeray aims to accelerate the adoption of Battery Electric Vehicles in the country.

The new EV policy introduced in Maharashtra is a revision of the 2018 policy. It is introduced with an aim to make Maharashtra the "topmost producer of battery-powered electric vehicles in India."



It also aims for electric vehicles (EVs) to make up 10 percent of all new vehicle registrations, by 2025. For this ambitious mission, the state government has rolled out a Rs. 930 crore policy, valid up to 31st March, 2025. To make this success, EVs will be exempted from road tax and registration charges.

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

#### 3. Hints to Remember

Who: Air Marshal Vivek Chaudhari

What: takes over as Vice Chief of Air Staff

When: published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari took over as the Vice Chief of Air Staff on July 1. He has succeeded Air Marshal HS Arora in the position. Arora retired after nearly 40 years of service on June 30.

Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari was commissioned in the fighter stream of the Indian Air Force on December 29 in 1982. He is an alumnus of the National Defence Academy and Defence Services Staff College in Wellington.

The officer has flying experience of more than 3,800 hours on a wide variety of fighter and trainer aircraft, including missions flown during Operation Meghdoot and Operation Safed Sagar.

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

#### 4. Hints to Remember

Who: Covid vaccination campaign for pregnant women "Mathrukavacham"

What: was launched in Kerala

When: published on 15th July 2021

The special Covid vaccination campaign for pregnant women in Kerala, "Mathrukavacham" will begin tomorrow. Vaccination will be made available in all district hospitals as part of the model program. In the beginning, covid vaccine will be given to 100 pregnant women through spot registration.

The State Health Ministry assured that in the coming days, covid vaccination for more pregnant women will be made accessible in all hospitals, depending on the availability of the vaccine. The special vaccination drive comes as a strong defense to protect pregnant women in the state against the pandemic.

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



#### 5. Hints to Remember

Who: US

What: Appoints Indian-American Atul Keshap as Interim Envoy to India

When: published on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021

The US has appointed career diplomat Atul Keshap as the country's Charge'd Affairs in Delhi.

"Ambassador Keshap's appointment will reinforce the close US partnership with the Government and people of India, demonstrated by our collaboration to overcome global challenges like the COVID-19 pandemic," the state department said in a statement on Tuesday.

As per the statement, Keshap will be departing for New Delhi to serve as Charge d'Affaires, ad interim, following the retirement of Ambassador Daniel Smith.

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

#### 6. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian-American Abhimanyu Mishra

What: becomes youngest ever chess Grandmaster at 12

When: published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Indian-American prodigy Abhimanyu Mishra on Wednesday became the youngest ever chess Grandmaster after he scored his third GM norm in Budapest, Hungary, according to a report.

The 12-year-old from New Jersey in United States became a GM from International Master, having crossed the required 2500 Elo rating barrier, chess.com website said.

Mishra broke GM Sergey Karjakin's record that has stood for 19 years.

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

#### 7. Hints to Remember

Who: Bandaru Dattatreya

What: takes oath as 18th Governor of Haryana

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

Bandaru Dattatreya was sworn in as the 18th Governor of Haryana on Thursday. Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Justice Ravi Shankar Jha administered the oath of office and confidentiality to him at the Raj Bhavan.



Governor's wife Bandaru Vasantha and other family mem were also present at the ceremony. He has been a three-time minister and four-time MP in the Union Government. He was born on June 12, 1947 in Hyderabad.

He was first elected a member of the 10th Lok Sabha in 1991. In 1998, he won the elections from the Secunderabad Lok Sabha seat and became the Union Minister of State for Urban Development.

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

#### 8. Hints to Remember

Who: Flipkart

What: launches Shopsy to enable over 25 mn online entrepreneurs by 2023

When: published on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

Walmart-owned e-commerce firm Flipkart has launched Shopsy, an app that will enable Indians to start their online businesses without any investment. With the ability to influence their local network and fulfil their aspirations, users of Shopsy will be able to share catalogues of a wide selection of 15 crore products offered by Flipkart sellers. These range across fashion, beauty, mobiles, electronics and home, with potential customers via popular social media and messaging apps.

"Over the last many years, Flipkart has been committed to contributing towards creating direct and indirect employment opportunities across the country," said Prakash Sikaria, Senior Vice President - Growth and Monetization, Flipkart. "Shopsy is launched to further that vision and provide additional earning opportunities for millions of enterprising Indians. Now, anyone from anywhere can start their online business with zero investment."

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

#### 9. Hints to Remember

#### Who: IAHE

**What:** inks Agreement with University of New South Wales, Australia for setting up Centre for Advanced Transportation Technology and Systems in Noida

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

The Indian Academy of Highway Engineers, IAHE under the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has inked an Agreement with University of New South Wales, Australia for setting up a Centre for Advanced Transportation Technology and Systems in Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

The Agreement was signed in a virtual ceremony on Thursday in the presence of Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari. Speaking on the occasion, Mr Gadkari said the project will help improve the road safety scenario in the country.



The Agreement is for a project for capacity building, technology transfer and creation of enabling environment for establishment of Centre for Advanced Transportation Technology and Systems in, IAHE. The University of New South Wales will also deliver a course on smart transport systems and modelling.

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

#### **10.** Hints to Remember

Who: West Bengal govt

What: launches 'Students Credit Card' to provide soft loan upto Rs. 10 lakh for higher studies

When: published on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday launched the 'Student Credit Card' scheme, under which pupils will get soft loans of up to Rs 10 lakh for higher studies.

Banerjee's cabinet had last week approved the scheme, which was promised in the TMC's manifesto for the recently concluded assembly elections in the state.

"I am delighted to announce that the Government of West Bengal has launched the Student Credit Card scheme today.

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

#### 11. Hints to Remember

Who: Govt

What: to provide Rs 1,624 cr over 5 yrs as subsidy to Indian shipping cos

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

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved a scheme to provide Rs 1,624 crore over five years as subsidy to Indian shipping companies in global tenders floated by ministries and CPSEs for import of government cargo, an official statement said.

According to the statement, registration shall be done online within 72 hours like the world's best ships registries and this will make it easy and attractive to register ships in India and thereby aid in boosting the Indian tonnage.

"In addition to this, it is intended to provide 30 days to any in-flagging vessel to replace the crew on board with Indian crew," it added.

In order to address the cost disadvantage suffered by Indian flag ships, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has in her Union Budget for 2021-22 speech had announced a scheme providing Rs 1,624

crore over five years to promote flagging of merchant ships in India by providing subsidy support to Indian shipping companies in global tenders floated by ministries and CPSEs.

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

#### 12. Hints to Remember

Who: Cabinet

What: extends RoSCTL scheme for textile exporters till March 2024

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

The union cabinet on Wednesday extended the Rebate of State and Central Levies and Taxes (RoSCTL) scheme till March 2024, a move aimed at helping the textile exporters.

"Continuation of RoSCTL for apparel/garments and made-ups is expected to make these products globally competitive by rebating all embedded taxes/levies which are currently not being rebated under any other mechanism. It will ensure a stable and predictable policy regime and provide a level playing field to Indian textiles exporters. Further, it will promote startups and entrepreneurs to export and ensure creation of lakhs of jobs," an official statement said.

The sectors covered under this scheme--apparel/garments and made-ups--will not get benefits under the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme. However, textiles products which are not covered under the RoSCTL would be eligible to avail the benefits, if any, under RoDTEP scheme.

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

#### 13. Hints to Remember

Who: Cabinet

**What:** approves continuation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Development of Infrastructure Facilities for Judiciary for further five years

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

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved continuation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Development of Infrastructure Facilities for Judiciary for further five years from 01.04.2021 to 31.03.2026 at a total cost of Rs.9000 crore, out of which Central share will be Rs.5357 crore including Rs.50 crore for the Gram Nyayalayas Scheme and their implementationin a Mission Mode through National Mission for Justice Delivery and Legal Reforms.

Several courts are still functioning in rented premises with insufficient space and some in a dilapidated condition without basic amenities. Lack of residential accommodation to all the judicial officers also adversely affects their working and performance. The present Government has remained sensitive to



the needs of providing well equipped judicial infrastructure to subordinate judiciary to facilitate administration of justice in a manner that allows easy access and timely delivery of justice to all. Adequacy of judicial infrastructure is critical for reduction of pendency and backlog of cases in Courts.

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

#### 14. Hints to Remember

Who: Cabinet

**What:** approves continuation of the National Ayush Mission as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for another five years till 2026

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

The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved continuation of the National Ayush Mission as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for another five years till 2026, Union minister Anurag Thakur said.

The scheme would continue from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026 with a financial implication of Rs 4,607.30 crore to be spent during the period.

Thakur told reporters that the scheme involves the expansion of the Ayush sector to promote the holistic health of Indians.

He said under the scheme, old and traditional medicinal systems would be promoted and Ayush wellness centres, medical colleges, hospitals and dispensaries set up and upgraded.

He said the Cabinet also approved change of nomenclature and mandate of North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM) as North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR).

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

#### 15. Hints to Remember

Who: NEIFM

What: renamed as NEIAFMR to render education in Ayurveda

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

The Union Cabinet has approved changing of name and mandate of North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM) located at Pasighat in Arunachal Pradesh as as North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR).

The NEIARMR is mandated for imparting quality education and research in Ayurveda & Folk Medicine. The consequential changes will also be carried out in the Memorandum of Association & Rules and Regulations of the institute. The inclusion of Ayurveda within the mandate of the institute will be highly beneficial for the people of North East region for imparting quality education and research in Ayurveda and Folk medicine.

The institute will also provide opportunities for students of Ayurveda and folk medicine not only in India but also the neighboring countries such as Tibet, Bhutan, Mongolia, Nepal, China and other Central Asian countries.

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

#### 16. Hints to Remember

Who: Cabinet

What: approves MoU between India, Denmark on cooperation in health, medicine

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

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Denmark on cooperation in the field of health and medicine.

An official release stated that the bilateral MoU will encourage cooperation between India's Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) and the Health Ministry of Denmark through joint initiatives and technology development in the health sector.

The release stated that the MoU will strengthen bilateral ties between India and Denmark. It will facilitate in improving the public health status of the people of both countries.

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

#### 17. Hints to Remember

Who: World Emoji Day

What: was observed on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2021

World Emoji Day is celebrated on July 17 every year. Emoji is a Japanese word that roughly means picture word. Sending text messages has become a part of our everyday life. Imagine having no emojis when chatting or sending text messages to someone. It can be boring talking to someone in messages without emojis.

Emoji is a way of sharing your expressions while texting. As you cannot see or show the reaction to something while chatting or sending text messages. We also use emojis in text conversations, to react to posts on various platforms on social media as an expression. The virtual text conversation is incomplete without emojis.

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



#### 18. Hints to Remember

Who: Bihar

What: tops list of states with maximum deaths due to lightning strikes since 2019

When: published on 13th July 2021

Lightning in India has appeared as the biggest cause of death by forces of nature in the country.

This week, on Sunday, lightning strikes killed at least 70 people in different parts of the country, including Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan.

According to India's second annual Lightning Report, Bihar has reported the most deaths due to lightning between April 1, 2020- March 31, 2021 (401 deaths), followed by Uttar Pradesh (238 deaths), Madhya Pradesh (228), Odisha (156), and Jharkhand (132), respectively.

Other states reported less than 100 deaths in the same period, as per the report.

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

#### **19. Hints to Remember**

Who: TCG grp

What: appoints Anand as CEO of polymer projects

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

New York-based multibillion-dollar TCG group has appointed B Anand as the head of business for developing and implementing large scale polymer projects with sustainability focus, including oil-to-polymer complex (OToP) across India and the rest of the world.

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He will primarily look after the upcoming petrochem project of the group in Tamil Nadu.

TCG, which operates over Rs 10,000crore Haldia Petrochemicals (HPL) in West Bengal, had acquired Nagarjun Oil Company through NCLT this year. It had also acquired Garden Vareli Silk Mill this year through NCLT. Sources close to the group said that it will start the project at Cuddalore, Tamil Nadu later this year.

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

#### 20. Hints to Remember

Who: Pidilite Industries

What: appoints Sudhanshu Vats as deputy managing director

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



Pidilite Industries has announced the appointment of Sudhanshu Vats as its deputy managing director. He will join the company from 1 September, 2021.

Bharat Puri, managing director, Pidilite, said, "I am delighted to welcome Sudhanshu to Pidilite. His varied experience and passion and energy for building a sustainable growth business will be an important asset in building the Pidilite of the future".

Vats said, "Pidilite is an outstanding organisation and an exemplary corporate, helping people from all walks of life to add magic to their world with its iconic brands and pioneering technology. I am excited about working closely with the talented Pidilite team to create sustainable long-term value for all our stakeholders."

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







