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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

March GA Quiz 12

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

1. Uttar Pradesh has got 8th Airport at which city and become 1st State to have highest Number of Airports?

- A. Mathura B. Bareilly C. Tanakpur
- D. Moradabad E. None of these

2. Which company and Indian Oil Corpration Limited (IOCL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop a plastic park in Paradip?

- A. Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation
- B. Odisha State Financial Corporation
- C. Odisha Computer Application Centre
- D. National Aluminium Company
- E. None of these

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C. Wipro

3. Which company has signed a MoU with Uttarakhand Government to introduce STEM for Girls?

- A. TCS B. IBM
- D. Infosys E. None of these

4. CISF Day 2021 was observed on which of the following dates?

- A. March 11 B. March 12 C. March 10
- D. March 9 E. None of these

5. DRDO successfully developed the AIP System. What does AIP stand for?

- A. Anti Independent Propulsion
- **B.** Added Independent Propulsion



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- C. Auto Independent Propulsion
- D. Air Independent Propulsion
- E. None of these

6. Which firm has introduced the appointment of Pallav Mohapatra as its Chief Government Officer and Managing Director?

- A. Asset Reconstruction Company (India) Ltd
- B. International Asset Reconstruction Company
- C. Reliance Asset Reconstruction Company Limited
- D. Phoenix ARC Private Ltd
- E. None of these

7. Who among the following was sworn-in as the chief minister of Uttarakhand?

A. Tirath Singh RawatB. Baby Rani MauryaC. Jai Ram ThakurD. Vijay BahugunaE. None of these

8. As per the report of CRISIL, India's GDP is to grow at what percent in FY22?

- A. 10 percent B. 9 percent C. 8 percent
- D. 11 percent E. None of these

9. NITI Aayog along with which institute has released 'Mobilising Electric Vehicle Financing in India' Report?

- A. Rocky Mountain Institute
- B. Environmental Defense Fund
- C. Aspen Institute
- D. The Nature Conservancy
- E. None of these

10. Prime Minister Sri Narendra Modi has virtually inaugurated 'Maitri Setu' Bridge between India and which country over Feni River?

- A. Vietnam B. Bangladesh C. Bhutan
- D. Nepal E. None of these

11. The Indian Navy has signed a contract with which company to construct 11 ammunition-cum-torpedo-cum-missile (ACTCM) barges?

A. Suryadipta Projects B. Navjivan Gear Co C. Mundra Industries

D. Green Sapphire Horizon E. None of these

12. Who among the following has inaugurated GI Mahotsav at Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie?

- A. Babulal Marandi B. Raghubar Das C. Hemant Soren
- D. Arjun Munda E. None of these

13. As per the world bank report, which countries have the potential to make the sub-region an economic growth pole for South Asia and can add substantially to their gross domestic product (GDP)?

- A. Bangladesh, Bhutan, India & Nepal
- B. Bangladesh, Bhutan, India & Tibet
- C. Bangladesh, Bhutan, India & Myanmar
- D. Bangladesh, Bhutan, India & Vietnam
- E. None of these

14. Which of the following countries has recently conducted "AsterX" its 1st Military Exercise in Space?

C. France

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

15. As per the recent report, which bank in partnership with Aquaconnect will provide credit access under the Kisan Credit Card scheme at an annualised rate of as low as 10 per cent?

A. Bank of IndiaB. Punjab National BankC. Bank of BarodaD. Syndicate BankE. None of these

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16. On 10th March 2021, which bank has partnered with TRRAIN (Trust for Retailers & Retail Associate of India) to support the youth from low income households, pandemic affected, and persons with disabilities through skill training and employment opportunities?

A. HDFC Bank	B. DBS Bank	C. OCBC Bank
D. United Overseas Bank	E. None of these	

17. Which company has partnered with Razorpay and HDFC Bank to create a secure online solution for rent payments through credit cards with an eye on the 10-million rental residential household market?

- A. Nestaway B. Quikr C. MagicBricks
- D. MakeMyTrip E. None of these

18. Which city is to launch Environmental Nanometric Satellite?

- A. Muscat B. Dubai C. Bagdad
- D. Karachi E. None of these

19. Who among the following has won the BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year award (ISWOTY) for 2020?

- A. Koneru Humpy B. Harika Dronavalli C. Hou Yifan
- D. Anna Muzychuk E. None of these

20. On 10th March 2021, who among the following has been declared Player of the month by ICC?

- A. Ravindra Jadeja B. Jasprit Bumrah C. Virat Kohli
- D. Ravichandran Ashwin 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: UP

What: gets its 8th Airport in Bareilly

When: published on 8th March 2021

It was a twin gift to Uttar Pradesh from Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath. Development with inclusive social concerns, is in the style book of UP CM whose sustained efforts during the last four years saw Bareilly becoming the eight airport in the state to get functional.

A rare tribute to women on the occasion of International Women's Day, the first flight landed at Trishul airport of Bareilly from Delhi with an all-women crew. It was the dream-come-true for the residents of Bareilly which came on the air map with this flight.(Read more)

2. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian Oil Corp, IDCO

What: sign MoU for Paradip Plastic Park in Odisha

When: published on 9th March 2021

The state-run Odisha Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (IDCO) and Indian Oil Corpration Limited (IOCL) on Tuesday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop a plastic park in Paradip, officials said.

As per the MoU, Indian Oil announced a special strategic incentive scheme to attract investments in downstream polymer industries at Paradip Plastic Park.

An incentive of Rs 2000 for each metric tonne of polypropylene granules from Paradip Refinery shall be offered to the manufacturing units located in the Paradip Plastic Park till March 31, 2030.

Around 26 units are expected to come up at the plastic park with an estimated investment of Rs 500 crore and it is likely to generate 6,000 direct and indirect employment.(Read more)



Who: IBM

What: signs MoU with U'khand Government to introduce STEM for Girls

When: published on 8th March 2021

IBM (NYSE: IBM) today announced a collaboration with Samagra Sikhsha Uttarakhand, the Government of Uttarakhand's education mission, to introduce the 'IBM STEM for Girls' program in 130 secondary and higher secondary schools across five districts in the state. The program will advance the skills and careers of close to 25,600 students in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) fields. The collaboration is part of a three-year program between IBM and Uttarakhand State Government with the American India Foundation as the implementation partner to increase the participation of girls and women in STEM careers.

The demand for a highly qualified workforce in India is quickly increasing with the acceleration of emerging technologies. The 'IBM STEM for Girls' program features a comprehensive approach that builds technical capabilities as well as life and self-actualization skills. 'STEM for Girls' is an IBM Corporate Social Responsibility initiative primarily aimed at improving education-to-work and career pathways for girls who are studying in Government schools. The program includes imparting training in digital literacy, coding and technology skills, 21st-century skills, and career development to enable girls' empowerment and increase their interest in STEM education and careers.(Read more)

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4. Hints to Remember

Who: CISF Day 2021

What: was observed on 10th March

The Central Industrial Security Forces(CISF) raising day is celebrated on March 10 annually. It was set up under the act of the Parliament of India in 1969. CISF was created for the better protection and security of industrial undertakings in the country. The Central Industrial Security Force(CISF) was established with 3 battalions. Each battalion provided integrated security to the public sector undertakings (PSUs). It is no longer a PSU-centric force.

CISF started with a strength of over 3000 crew members and today the number of personnel has reached over 1,30,000. With time CISF has evolved to become the multi-skill security agency of the country mandated to provide security to the major installations across the country.(Read more)

5. Hints to Remember

Who: DRDO

What: successfully developed the Air Independent Propulsion (AIP) System

When: published on 9th March 2021



The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) crossed an important milestone on Monday, when it demonstrated an Air Independent Propulsion (AIP) system that will allow Indian Navy submarines to operate for up to two weeks without having to surface to recharge its batteries.

"The (AIP) plant was operated in endurance mode and maximum power mode as per the user requirements. The system is being developed by Naval Materials Research Laboratory (NMRL) of DRDO," announced the Ministry of Defence (MoD) on Tuesday.

Since NMRL's is expected to operationally field its indigenous AIP only by 2023-24, this will come too late to power the six new submarines that the navy is tendering in a Rs 45,000-crore programme called Project 75-I.(Read more)

6. Hints to Remember

Who: Former CBoI chief Pallav Mohapatra

What: appointed MD and CEO of Arcil

When: published on 9th March 2021

Asset Reconstruction Firm (India) Ltd (Arcil) on Tuesday introduced the appointment of Pallav Mohapatra as its Chief Government Officer and Managing Director.

Previous to the appointment, Mohapatra was the MD and CEO of Central Financial institution of India (CBoI) from September 21, 2018, to February 28, 2021. Earlier than being elevated as MD and CEO of CBoI, he was Deputy Managing Director, Careworn Property Administration Group, State Financial institution of India.

Vinayak Bahuguna headed Arcil as MD and CEO for 5 years until June 2020.(Read more)

7. Hints to Remember

Who: Tirath Singh Rawat

What: sworn-in as Uttarakhand CM, to be in office for nearly a year

When: published on 10th March 2021

Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) MP Tirath Singh Rawat was sworn-in as the chief minister of Uttarakhand on Wednesday, a day after his predecessor, Trivendra Singh Rawat, tendered his resignation from the post. Tirath Singh Rawat, Lok Sabha MP from Garhwal and a former state BJP chief, was administered oath of office by Governor Baby Rani Maurya at the Raj Bhavan.

On Wednesday morning, Rawat was 'unanimously' chosen as the CM of Uttarakhand following a BJP legislature party meet. He was picked for the hill state's top job even as names of fellow MPs Ajay Bhatt and Anil Baluni, as well as state education minister Dhan Singh Rawat did the rounds. Union

education minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank, a Lok Sabha MP himself, is also a former chief minister of the northern state.(Read more)

8. Hints to Remember

Who: CRISIL

What: has projected India's GDP to grow at 11% in FY22

When: published on 9th March 2021

CRISIL has projected India's economy to grow by 11 per cent in the next fiscal year against expected contraction of 8 per cent in 2020-21, but GDP will still tread below the pre-Covid trend. It also said next year would be a story of two halves with broad-based recovery to come in the second half.

"While the first half of next fiscal year will benefit optically because of low-base effect, the second half would see a more broad-based pick-up in economic activity owing to a commodity price lift, largescale vaccinations and likely stronger global growth," it said.

GDP is likely to touch the pre-pandemic level only by the second quarter of fiscal year 2022, it said. By the end of fiscal 2021-22, GDP will only be about 2 per cent higher than fiscal year 2019-2020 level and 10 per cent below its pre-pandemic trend level.(Read more)

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9. Hints to Remember

Who: NITI Aayog and RMI

What: release 'Mobilising Electric Vehicle Financing in India' report

When: published on 10th March 2021

Mobilising Electric Vehicle Financing in India, a report released by NITI Aayog and Rocky Mountain Institute (RMI) India analysed that the transition to EVs will require a cumulative capital investment of Rs 19.7 lakh crore including EVs, charging infrastructure, and batteries over the next decade. The report highlights the role of finance in India's transition to electric vehicles (EVs).

Identifying the market size of Rs 3.7 lakh crore for the financing of EVs in 2030, it stated that it is about 80 per cent of the current size of India's retail vehicle finance industry which is worth Rs 4.5 lakh crore at present.

According to Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog, "The need of the hour is to mobilise capital and finance towards EV assets and infrastructure." Adding on he said, "As we work towards accelerating the domestic adoption of EVs and push for globally competitive manufacturing of EVs and components like advance cell chemistry batteries, we need banks and other financiers to lower the cost and increase the flow of capital for electric vehicles." (Read more)

Who: PM Narendra Modi

What: Virtually Inaugurated 'Maitri Setu' Bridge between India and Bangladesh Over Feni River

When: published on 9th March 2021

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has said that the Maitri Setu on Feni river connecting India and Bangladesh will help improve connectivity and enhance economic opportunities for people of both the countries.

Virtually inaugurating the Maitri Setu on Feni river connecting Sabroom in South Tripura to Ramgarh in Bangladesh on Tuesday, Prime Minister Modi said that the entire region is being developed as a trade corridor between India and Bangladesh. He said that the bridge will not only strengthen connectivity between the two countries but also friendship between them.

Prime Minister Modi said that in the last few years several projects of connecting the two countries by rail, road and waterways have been implemented. The Maitri setu will further strengthen it. Highlighting the importance of the Maitri Setu, Prime Minister Modi said that the Setu will help improve people to people ties as well as open new opportunities for tourism and trade in the two countries.(Read more)

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11. Hints to Remember

Who: Indian Navy

What: signs contract with Suryadipta Projects for 11 ACTCM barges

When: published on 9th March 2021

The Indian Navy has signed a contract with Suryadipta Projects to construct 11 ammunition-cumtorpedo-cum-missile (ACTCM) barges, said an official statement on Tuesday.

The contract withSuryadipta ProjectsPrivate Limited, a Thane-based MSME, was concludedon March 5, the Indian Navy's statement noted.

Delivery of barges is scheduled to commence from May 22. The ACTCM barges will be inducted in Indian Navy to undertake the mission needs for embarking or disembarking ammunition, torpedo, missile, etc. it mentioned.

The project adds another milestone to theAtmanirbharBharat and Make in India initiative of the government of India, it said.(Read more)

Who: Shri Arjun Munda

What: inaugurates GI Mahotsav at Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie

When: published on 5th March 2021

Shri Arjun Munda, Union Minister for Tribal Affairs inaugurated the Tribes India GI Mahotsav at Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) Mussoorie today. Shri Bhaskar Khulbe, Advisor to the Prime Minister of India; Shri Sanjeev Chopra, Director, Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA); Shri Pravir Krishna, Managing Director, TRIFED and Padmashri Dr. Rajni Kant, Advisor, TRIFED Atmanirbhar Bharat project on GI products graced the occasion.

The Tribes India GI Mahotsav - Invaluable Treasures of Incredible India is an exhibition of GI tagged products and more than 40 GI registered proprietors and GI authorised users and tribal artisans are participating and showcasing their region-specific products in this event. The purpose of the GI Mahotsav is to increase the awareness of these products amongst the Officer-Trainees and sensitize them about the rich cultural heritage of India so that they can in-turn formulate policies that safeguard the interest of GI products in their region. Such an event will also provide more marketing opportunities to the registered producers or manufacturers. More than 190 IAS Officer-Trainees and over 30 faculty members of LBSNAA attended this exhibition and appreciated the displayed products.(Read more)

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13. Hints to Remember

Who: Eastern sub-regions Bangladesh, Bhutan, India & Nepal

What: became economic growth pole in South Asia: World Bank

When: published on 9th March 2021

Improvement in connectivity between Bangladesh and India, alongside Bhutan and Nepal, has the potential to make the sub-region an economic growth pole for South Asia and can add substantially to their gross domestic product (GDP), World Bank India Head Junaid Ahmad said on Tuesday. A seamless transport connectivity between India and Bangladesh has the potential to increase national income by as much as 17 per cent in Bangladesh and 8 per cent in India, the World Bank said in its latest report on 'Connecting to Thrive: Challenges and Opportunities of Transport Integration in Eastern South Asia'.

It is time that connectivity should be used for development in BBIN (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal) countries and the World Bank is an active partner to be investing in this area in this sub-region, Ahmad said at the virtual launch of the report. (Read more)



Who: France

What: Conducts "AsterX" its 1st Military Exercise in Space

When: published on 11th March 2021

France has launched its first ever military exercise in space in order to "stress test" its defence systems against potential adversaries.

Codenamed AsterX, it is the first ever military space exercise in Europe and is part of France's ambitions to become the world's third-largest space power.

The exercise will involve 18 simulated events from 8 to 12 March, conducted in France's Space Command operations room in Toulouse.(Read more)

15. Hints to Remember

Who: Aquaconnect

What: partners with Bank of Baroda for loans to fish farmers

When: published on 9th March 2021

Aquaculture technology venture Aquaconnect on Tuesday said it has partnered with state-owned Bank of Baroda to provide loan access to 1.6 million aquaculture farmers.

Bank of Baroda in partnership with Aquaconnect will provide credit access under the Kisan Credit Card scheme at an annualised rate of as low as 10 per cent, according to a statement.

The fish and shrimp farmers can also avail the advisory services and quality farm inputs from Aquaconnect platform.

Under this partnership, Bank of Baroda has extended loan for up to Rs 10 lakh under KCC scheme and fisheries loan.

Higher credit limits can also be availed under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and the Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF) schemes on case-to-case basis, it added.(Read more)

16. Hints to Remember

Who: DBS Bank India

What: joins hands with TRRAIN to facilitate youth employment

When: published on 10th March 2021



In line with its commitment towards creating and preserving livelihoods, DBS Bank India today announced its partnership with TRRAIN (Trust for Retailers & Retail Associates of India), a non-profit engaged in training and placement of youth in e-commerce & retail sectors. The partnership will support youth from low-income households by providing them with long-term employment opportunities.

Through the partnership, DBS will facilitate the skills training and employment of individuals affected by the pandemic and persons with disabilities through a one-year-long pan-India program, a combination of classroom and online training sessions. The training will be conducted at TRRAIN centres across major cities such as Mumbai, Chennai, Delhi-NCR region, Bengaluru, Kolkata, Ahmedabad, among others.

Once the training is complete, candidates will be recruited by leading industry partners in the retail and e-commerce sector across Tier-1 and Tier-2 cities. The program aims to train and secure jobs for over 800 individuals by the end of 2021. (Read more)

17. Hints to Remember

Who: Magicbricks

What: ties up with Razorpay and HDFC Bank for credit card rent pay

When: published on 9th March 2021

Magicbricks has partnered with Razorpay and HDFC Bank to create a secure online solution for rent payments through credit cards with an eye on the 10-million rental residential household market. "The monthly rent is a huge chunk of the monthly expense of any household. In today's challenging economic environment, tenants are looking for trusted, flexible, and rewarding ways to pay. We are delighted to partner with Razorpay and HDFC to offer a secured 'Pay Rent' feature. The deferment of a large spend which has a credit period of around 45 days also translates into a month's interest of approximately 1%," said Sudhir Pai, CEO, Magicbricks which is a part of TimesGroup.(Read more)

18. Hints to Remember

Who: Dubai

What: to launch Environmental Nanometric Satellite

When: published on 11th March 2021

Dubai Municipality, in collaboration with the Mohammed Bin Rashid Space Centre (MBRSC), has announced that it is preparing to launch the DMSat-1 satellite, the region's first environmental nanometric satellite, from Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan on March 20. The launch is part of a high-technology project undertaken to develop solutions to environmental challenges and address climate change.

Using state-of-the-art space technologies, DMSat-1 will monitor, collect and analyse environmental data as well as measure air pollutants and greenhouse gases. The environmental satellite will also help create maps of the concentration and distribution of greenhouse gases in Dubai and the UAE and study seasonal changes in the presence of these gases.(Read more)

19. Hints to Remember

Who: Chess player Koneru Humpy from Andhra Pradesh

What: wins BBC ISWOTY for 2020

When: published on 9th March 2021

Chess player Koneru Humpy from Andhra Pradesh has won the BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year award (ISWOTY) for 2020, following a public vote.

The 33-year-old beat sprinter Dutee Chand, airgun shooter Manu Bhaker, wrestler Vinesh Phogat and India hockey captain Rani Rampal to the award.

Humpy is the World Rapid Chess champion having won the title in December 2019 after a two-year maternity break. In 2020, she won the Cairns Cup, an elite-level tournament for the top female players.

Born in the southern State of Andhra Pradesh, Humpy was identified as a chess prodigy at an early age by her father. She lived up to the reputation by becoming the youngest grandmaster, aged 15, in 2002. She received the Arjuna Award, one of India's top sporting honours, in 2003, and India's fourth-highest civilian award, Padma Shri, in 2007.(Read more)

20. Hints to Remember

Who: Ravichandran Ashwin

What: declared Player of the month by ICC

When: published on 10th March 2021

India's premier off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin was today named the ICC men's Player for the Month of February for his stellar show against England in a four-match Test series at home which India won to qualify for the World Test Championship final.

England's Tammy Beaumont was adjudged the women's Player of the Month.

Ashwin who played in three tests in the four match series scored a 106 in the second innings of India's second Test victory over England at Chennai and took his 400th Test wicket in the third Test victory at Ahmedabad.(Read more)







