

General Awareness

Q1. In which of the following event, India's 15-year-old shooter Anish Bhanwala has recently won a gold medal at the ISSF Junior World Cup?

- (a) 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Event
- (b) 10m Air Rifle Event
- (c) Double Trap Event
- (d) 50m Rifle 3 Positions Event
- (e) 50m Pistol Event

S1.

Ans.(a)

Sol. India's 15-year-old shooter Anish Bhanwala won a gold medal at the ISSF Junior World Cup in the 25-meter rapid fire pistol event in Sydney, Australia. It was India's third gold at the event. Bhanwala was placed 7th in the same event at the ISSF Senior World Cup.

Q2. Name the Small Finance Bank that has launched a new 'Yellow Army Savings Account' to increase its customer base through its association with the Chennai Super Kings (CSK).

- (a) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- (b) Jana Small Finance Bank
- (c) Equitas Small Finance Bank
- (d) AU Small Finance Bank
- (e) ESAF Small Finance Bank

S2.

Ans.(c)

Sol. Equitas Small Finance Bank has launched a new 'Yellow Army Savings Account' to increase its customer base through its association with the Chennai Super Kings (CSK), a franchise of the Indian Premier League (IPL).

Q3. India has overtaken which of the following country to become the fourth largest automobile market in the world, according to the latest global data?

- (a) Russia
- (b) China
- (c) France
- (d) Japan
- (e) Germany

S3.

Ans.(e)

Sol. India has overtaken Germany to become the fourth largest automobile market in the world, According to the latest global data. Automobile sales, including passenger and commercial vehicles, in Asia's third-largest economy, grew 9.5%. It is the fastest among major global markets, last year to more than 4 million units, outpacing Germany's 3.8-million vehicle sales, which rose by a modest 2.8% in the same period.

Q4. Name one of the oldest cities of India that has recently gone 'wireless'.

- (a) Varanasi
- (b) Allahabad
- (c) Ujjain

- (d) Patna
(e)

Pushkar

S4.

Ans.(a)

Sol. Eighty-six years after the city got electricity, overhead power cables in world's oldest city 'Varanasi ' is being dismantled after a project to lay underground lines over 16 sq-km has been finally completed.

Q5. AEPS is a system that leverages Aadhaar online authentication and enables AEBAs to be operated in anytime-anywhere banking mode by the marginalized d financially excluded segments of society through micro ATMs. What is the meaning of "E" in AEPS?

- (a) Equity
(b) Essential
(c) Electronic
(d) Enabled
(e)

Enrolled

S5.

Ans.(d)

Sol. Aadhaar Enabled Payment System (AEPS) – A system that leverages Aadhaar online authentication and enables AEBAs to be operated in anytime-anywhere banking mode by the marginalized d financially excluded segments of society through micro ATMs.

Q6. APB is a repository of Aadhaar number of residents and their primary bank account number used for receiving all social security and entitlement payments from various government agencies. What is the meaning of "B" in APB?

- (a) Base
(b) Bridge
(c) Bond
(d) Banking
(e)

Basel

S6.

Ans.(b)

Sol. Aadhaar Payments Bridge or APB is a repository of Aadhaar number of residents and their primary bank account number used for receiving all social security and entitlement payments from various government agencies. It requires using Aadhaar number as the primary key for all entitlement payments. This would weed out all fakes and ghosts from the system and ensure that the benefits reach the intended beneficiaries.

Q7. NCLT is a quasi-judicial body in India that adjudicates issues relating to companies in India. NCLT stands for-

- (a) National Common Law Tribunal
(b) National Company Law Trend
(c) National Company Law Tribunal
(d) National Company Law Transaction
(e)

National

Company

Law

Treaty

S7.

Ans.(c)

Sol. The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) is a quasi-judicial body in India that adjudicates issues relating to companies in India.

Q8. Name the country that has become the 3rd largest electricity producer in the world as its electricity production grew 34% over seven years to 2017.

- (a) Russia
- (b) France
- (c) Japan
- (d) India
- (e)

Germany

S8.

Ans.(d)

Sol. India has become the 3rd largest electricity producer in the world as its electricity production grew 34% over seven years to 2017. The country now produces more energy than Japan and Russia, which had 27% and 8.77% more electricity generation capacity installed, respectively, than India seven years ago.

Q9. The Headquarter of Equitas Small Finance Bank is in _____.

- (a) Bengaluru
- (b) Chennai
- (c) Jaipur
- (d) New Delhi
- (e)

Mumbai

S9.

Ans.(b)

Sol. The Part-time Chairman of Equitas Small Finance Bank is Mr Arun Ramanathan and it Headquarters in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

Q10. With which of the following state government, the Airport Authority of India (AAI) signed an MoU under its Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) initiative for the sustainable development of human settlements at villages in Kamrup district.

- (a) Punjab
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Sikkim
- (d) Assam
- (e)

Himachal

Pradesh

S10.

Ans.(d)

Sol. The Airport Authority of India (AAI) signed an MoU with Assam government under its Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR) initiative for the sustainable development of human settlements at villages in Kamrup district.

Q11. The International Solar Alliance (ISA) and the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), signed the Host Country Agreement. The Agreement has given ISA a _____.

- (a) NATO Power
- (b) Juridical Personality

(c) Power to Enquire in Internal Matters

(d) Stature of Statutory Body

(e) None of the given option is true

S11.

Ans.(b)

Sol. The International Solar Alliance (ISA) and the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), signed the Host Country Agreement. The Agreement will give ISA a juridical personality and gives it power to contract, to acquire and dispose off movable and immovable properties, to institute and defend legal proceedings.

Q12. Which city in Maharashtra is served by Dr. Ambedkar International Airport?

(a) Pune

(b) Kolhapur

(c) Nagpur

(d) Aurangabad

(e)

Nashik

S12.

Ans.(c)

Sol. Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport is an international airport serving the city of Nagpur, Maharashtra, India. The airport spread over 1,460-acres is also home to AFS Nagpur of the Indian Air Force.

Q13. The Nagarhole National Park, a part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve, is located in which Indian state?

(a) Madhya Pradesh

(b) Rajasthan

(c) Bihar

(d) Karnataka

(e)

Maharashtra

S13.

Ans.(d)

Sol. Nagarhole National Park (also known as Rajiv Gandhi National Park), is a national park located in Kodagu district and Mysore district in Karnataka state in South India. This park was declared the thirty-seventh Project Tiger tiger reserve in 1999. It is part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.

Q14. 'Dhopkhel' is a famous traditional game of which Indian state?

(a) Odisha

(b) Rajasthan

(c) Tamil Nadu

(d) Maharashtra

(e)

Assam

S14.

Ans.(e)

Sol. Dhopkhel, also transliterated dhop khel and dhoop khel is a traditional ball game played in the Indian state of Assam. The game is played between two eleven member teams on a 125 m x 80 m field bounded by four flags. The players take turns throwing the ball at the opponent to knock them out of the game, while seeking to catch the ball and

evade

other

players.

Q15. In which of the following city, Asia's largest tulip garden Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden was opened recently for visitors?

- (a) Srinagar
- (b) Jaipur
- (c) Chandigarh
- (d) Darjeeling
- (e)

Shimla

S15.

Ans.(a)

Sol. Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip Garden was opened for visitors in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir. It is recognized as the Asia's largest tulip garden.

Q1. The India U-16 team emerged champions in the Jockey Cup International Youth Invitational Football Tournament. It has defeated the U-17 team of _____.

- (a) China
- (b) Japan
- (c) Hong Kong
- (d) Myanmar
- (e) Bangladesh

S1. Ans.(c)

Sol. The India U-16 team emerged champions in the Jockey Cup International Youth Invitational Football Tournament with a victory over Hong Kong U-17 in the final in Hong Kong. The tournament was an U-17 event where India fielded their U-16 National Team.

Q2. Name the cueist who has recently won Asian Billiards Championships title 2018 in Yangon, Myanmar.

- (a) B Bhaskar
- (b) Geet Sethi
- (c) Anuja Thakur
- (d) Pankaj Advani
- (e) Chitra Magimairaj

S2. Ans.(d)

Sol. Pankaj Advani defended his Asian Billiards Championships title by demolishing his practice partner B Bhaskar 6-1 in the summit clash in Yangon, Myanmar. With this win, Advani remains the reigning Indian, Asian and world champion in billiards for 2017-18.

Q3. The Government of India has decided to nominate _____ as India's representative to the Executive Board (EXB) of UNESCO.

- (a) Dr. R S Kamath
- (b) Prof. J S Rajput
- (c) Dr. Prasoon Pandey
- (d) Prof. Kamal Narowala

(e) Prof. S N Tiwari

S3. Ans.(b)

Sol. The Government of India has decided to nominate Prof. J S Rajput, former Director NCERT, as India's representative to the Executive Board (EXB) of UNESCO. The EXB has a four-year term of office and 58 seats.

Q4. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved Integrated Scheme for Development of Silk Industry for the next three years from 2017-18 to 2019-20. The fund allocated for this is _____.

- (a) 1,000 crore rupee
- (b) 1,500 crore rupee
- (c) 2,000 crore rupee
- (d) 2,500 crore rupee
- (e) 3,500 crore rupee

S4. Ans.(a)

Sol. Govt took a big step in making India self-sufficient in silk production. The decisions taken by the cabinet will lead to the formation of a first-ever inter-ministerial panel to boost R&D and technology transfer in the silk sector with a 1,000 crore rupee fund. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved Integrated Scheme for Development of Silk Industry for the next three years from 2017-18 to 2019-20.

Q5. The FRDI Bill is part of a larger, more comprehensive approach by the Centre towards systematic resolution of all financial firms. FRDI stands for-

- (a) Financial Resolution and Deposit India
- (b) Financial Resolution and Deposit International
- (c) Financial Resolution and Deposit Initial
- (d) Financial Resolution and Deposit Increase
- (e) Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance

S5. Ans.(e)

Sol. The FRDI Bill is part of a larger, more comprehensive approach by the Centre towards systematic resolution of all financial firms — banks, insurance companies and other financial intermediaries. The Bill comes together with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code to spell out the procedure for the winding up or revival of an ailing company. FRDI stands for Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance.

Q6. LEI is a global reference number that uniquely identifies every legal entity or structure that is party to a financial transaction. What is the meaning of "I" in LEI?

- (a) Insurer
- (b) Indian
- (c) Identifier
- (d) Increase
- (e) International

S6. Ans.(c)

Sol. The Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) is a global reference number that uniquely identifies every legal entity or structure that is party to a financial transaction.

Q7. LEI India Limited is Wholly Owned Subsidiary of-

- (a) Clearing Corporation of India Limited
- (b) Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Limited
- (c) Small Industries Development Bank of India
- (d) Securities and Exchange Board of India
- (e) Reserve Bank of India

S7. Ans.(a)

Sol. Legal Entity Identifier India Limited (CIN- U74900MH2015PLC268921)– A Wholly Owned Subsidiary of The Clearing Corporation of India Ltd. acts as a Local Operating Unit (LOU) for issuing globally compatible Legal Entity Identifiers (LEIs) in India.

Q8. President Ram Nath Kovind visited Varanasi on a one-day visit to Uttar Pradesh. During his visit, he laid the foundation stone of how many projects of the National Highway Authority of India?

- (a) One
- (b) Two
- (c) Three
- (d) Four
- (e) Five

S8. Ans.(e)

Sol. President Ram Nath Kovind visited Varanasi on a one-day visit to Uttar Pradesh. During his temple city visit, Mr Kovind laid the foundation stone of five projects of the National Highway Authority of India. It includes second phase of outer ring of the city and four-lane roads between Varanasi and Rewa in Madhya Pradesh.

Q9. SACF, a London based organization has received the Frederick Pincott Award for 2017 from the Indian High Commissioner, Y K Sinha for promoting Hindi cinema in Britain for the last 18 years. SACF Stands for _____.

- (a) South Asian Cinematography Foundation
- (b) Southern Atlantic Cinema Foundation
- (c) South Atlantic Cinematography Foundation
- (d) South Asian Cinema Foundation
- (e) Southern Atlantic Cine-Music Foundation

S9. Ans.(d)

Sol. South Asian Cinema Foundation (SACF), a London based organization has received the Frederick Pincott Award for 2017 from the Indian High Commissioner, Y K Sinha for promoting Hindi cinema in Britain for the last 18 years.

Q10. The government of India has come out with the total number of beggars in the country. Name the state that has the maximum number of Beggars as per the data, based on 2011 census released by Union ministry of Social Justice.

- (a) Uttar Pradesh

- (b) Bihar
- (c) West Bengal
- (d) Jharkhand
- (e) Chhattisgarh

S10. Ans.(c)

Sol. The government of India has come out with the total number of beggars in the country. As per the data, based on 2011 census released by Union ministry of Social Justice, there are around 4 lakh beggars in total. The highest number of beggars, 81,000, are in West Bengal.

Q11. The world's biggest cruise-liner named _____ has recently left the shipyard of Saint-Nazaire in France to embark on its maiden voyage in the Mediterranean.

- (a) The Giant of the Sea
- (b) Symphony of the Seas
- (c) The Harmony of the Seas
- (d) The Sea Ranger
- (e) None of the given options is true

S11. Ans.(b)

Sol. The world's biggest cruise-liner, Symphony of the Seas, has left the shipyard of Saint-Nazaire in France to embark on its maiden voyage in the Mediterranean. French shipbuilder STX handed over to U.S. giant Royal Caribbean International.

Q12. Who is the present Governor of Bihar?

- (a) Dr. Najma A. Heptulla
- (b) Balramji Dass Tandon
- (c) Om Prakash Kohli
- (d) Ram Nath Kovind
- (e) Satya Pal Malik

S12. Ans.(e)

Sol. Satya Pal Malik is the current Governor of Bihar appointed by President Ram Nath Kovind on 30 September 2017. Earlier, he was the member of the 9th Lok Sabha and represented Aligarh Constituency from 1989 to 1991. He was member of Rajya sabha from Uttar Pradesh during two term of 1980-86 and 1986-1992.

Q13. The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is a branch of the Government of India which is apex body for formulation and administration of the rules and regulations and laws relating to information, broadcasting, the press and films in India. Who is present Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting?

- (a) Smriti Zubin Irani
- (b) Hardeep Singh Puri
- (c) Kalraj Mishra
- (d) Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore
- (e) Anant Geete

S13. Ans.(d)

Sol. Col Rathore was elected to 16th Lok Sabha from Jaipur (Rural) and sworn in as the Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting in November 2014. In September 2017, he was given additional charge of Minister of State (I/C) for Youth Affair and Sports . In May 2018, he became Minister of State (I/C) for Information & Broadcasting.

Q14. National Voters day is observed on which of the following date?

- (a) January 25
- (b) April 27
- (c) March 18
- (d) January 5
- (e) February 30

S14. Ans.(a)

Sol. In order to encourage more young voters to take part in the political process, Government of India has decided to celebrate January 25 every year as 'National Voters' Day'. It started from January 25, 2011 to mark Commission's foundation day.

Q15. Name the Formula 1 Driver who won a dramatic Australian Grand Prix 2018.

- (a) Lewis Hamilton
- (b) Kimi Raikkonen
- (c) Nico Rosenberg
- (d) Sebastian Vettel
- (e) Valtteri Bottas

S15. Ans.(d)

Sol. Sebastian Vettel (Ferrari) won a dramatic Australian Grand Prix after leapfrogging Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes) during a safety car period.