



### CURRENT AFFAIRS QUESTION BANK: JULY 2019

#### Q.1 Who will take charge as the MD of National Housing Bank?

- a. Sharad Kumar Hota
- b. Suman Kumar Hota
- c. Sarada Kumar Hota
- d. Sushil Kumar Hota
- e. None of these

# Q.2 What is the name of the drone lander that will be launched by NASA in a new mission to explore Titan, Saturn's largest moon?

- a. Dragonfly
- b. Pathfinder
- c. Space Ranger
- d. Galaxy X
- e. None of these

# Q.3 Which veteran British journalist was conferred with 'Lifetime Achievement Award' at the 'UK-India Awards' in London for his contributions to UK-India relationship?

- a. Sir Matt Tully
- b. Sir Matthew Tully
- c. Sir Marcus Tully
- d. Sir Mark Tully
- e. None of these

#### Q.4 When is GST (Goods & Services Tax) Day celebrated?

- a. 1st July
- b. 2nd July
- c. 3rd July
- d. 4th July
- e. None of these

# Q.5 United States President Donald Trump became the first sitting US president to set foot in which country?

- a. Venezuela
- b. North Korea
- c. Cuba
- d. Iceland
- e. None of these

#### Q.6 When is the National Doctor's Day observed?

- a. 30th June
- b. 1st July
- c. 2nd July
- d. 3rd July
- e. None of these

#### Q.7 India has pledged USD 5 million in 2019 to which refugee agency?

- a. UN Myanmar Refugee Agency
- b. UN Syria Refugee Agency
- c. UN Honduras Refugee Agency
- d. UN Palestine Refugee Agency
- e. None of these

#### Q.8 Which country has resumed commercial whaling after a period of 31 years?

- a. China
- b. South Korea
- c. Japan
- d. Vietnam
- e. None of these

### Q.9 Which Indian pro boxer has become World Boxing Council (WBC) Asia Silver Welterweight Champion?

- a. Rishi Yadav
- b. Vaibhav Yadav
- c. Yograj Yadav
- d. Susheel Yadav
- e. None of these

### Q.10 Who has been elected as the new chairman of Microfinance Institutions Network (MFIN)?

- a. Murli Kumar Nambiar
- b. Mridul Kumar Nambiar
- c. Manoj Kumar Nambiar
- d. Manohar Kumar Nambiar
- e. None of these

#### Q.11 For whom the Alternate composition scheme was launched under GST?

- a. Farmers
- b. Small taxpayers
- c. Inter-state suppliers
- d. Tobacco manufacturers
- e. None of these

#### Q.12 Which of the following is exempted from the benefits of alternate composition scheme?





- a. Service providers of turnover up to Rs 50 lakh
- b. Small taxpayers
- c. E-commerce players
- d. Traders of turnover up to Rs 1.5 crore
- e. None of these

#### Q.13 Mega Pollution Awareness Pakhwada is an initiative taken by?

- a. Indian Navy
- b. National Cadet Corps
- c. Indian Coast Guard
- d. Indian Army
- e. None of these

#### Q.14 RISAT-2B an earth observation satellite was developed by?

- a. DRDO
- b. European Space Agency
- c. ISRO
- d. NASA
- e. None of these

#### Q.15 In the series of India's RADAR imaging satellites, the first satellite launched was?

- a. RISAT-2B
- b. RISAT-1B
- c. RISAT-1
- d. RISAT-2
- e. None of these

### Q.16 Zero Budget Natural Farming is based on which method?

- a. Using a limited amount of chemical fertilizer
- b. Use of only nitrogen fertilizer
- c. No use of chemical fertilizer
- d. High production cost based farming
- e. None of these

# Q.17 Who is the chairman of the committee set up by RBI to review the regulatory guidelines and supervisory framework of Core Investment Companies (CIC)?

- a. Rakesh Mohan
- b. Tapan Ray
- c. Nandan Nilekani
- d. U.K.Sinha
- e. None of these

### Q.18 The Core Investment Companies recently in the news, belong to which among the following?

a. Schedule Commercial Bank?



- b. Non-Banking Financial Company
- c. Insurance Company
- d. Foreign Investment company
- e. None of these

#### Q.19 Which among the following has been incorporated as a new commercial arm of ISRO?

- a. Indian Space Research Limited
- b. Research & Development India Limited
- c. New Space India Limited
- d. National Space Limited
- e. None of these

# Q.20 What is the maximum limit for the subscription of the Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme for the first applicant holding a joint account?

- a. 4 kg
- b. 8 kg
- c. 20 kg
- d. 1 kg
- e. None of these

### Q.21 Budget 2019 announced setting up of a DD channel for which sector among the following?

- a. Agriculture
- b. Education
- c. Start-ups
- d. Health
- e. None of these

# Q.22 As announced in the budget 2019, RBI will supersede the regulation of which board following the provisions of the finance bill?

- a. Bank Board Bureau
- b. Non-Banking Financial companies Board
- c. Financial Investment Board
- d. Foreign Investment Board
- e. None of these

# Q.23 What is the maximum amount that can be taken by a verified women SHG member under MUDRA scheme?

- a. Rs 5000
- b. Rs 5 lakh
- c. Rs 10,000
- d. Rs 1 lakh
- e. None of these





#### Q.24 which among the following has been included as India's 38th UNESCO world heritage sites?

- a. Hill Forts of Rajasthan
- b. Historic city of Ahmedabad
- c. Jaipur city
- d. The Jantar Mantar, Jaipur
- e. None of these

# Q.25 Semi high-speed train, Train18 which was flagged off in India with the name Vande Bharat Express was designed and built by which country?

- a. France
- b. India
- c. Japan
- d. China
- e. None of these

# Q.26 The Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2019 recently passed by the parliament allows voluntary use of Aadhaar for which of the following purpose?

- a. Taking admission in private schools
- b. Buying a mobile phone
- c. Opening a bank account
- d. Buying medicines from e-pharmacy
- e. None of these

# Q.27 Which statement correctly point out the provisions of the Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2019?

- a. Aadhaar number can be used as a KYC document on voluntary basis
- b. Aadhaar number can be used as driving license document
- c. Aadhaar number can be used as visa document
- d. Aadhaar number can be used as a payroll document
- e. None of these

# Q.28 Recently, which state has provided 1% quota for girl child of trafficked women for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in state-run universities?

- a. Odisha
- b. Bihar
- c. Karnataka
- d. Andhra Pradesh
- e. None of these

# Q.29 Which book was launched to commemorate five decades of the partnership of India and the UN World Food Programme?

- a. World hunger challenge book
- b. 50 years of Partnership for Change



- c. 50 years of Partnership for food security
- d. Hunger assistance measures book
- e. None of these

### Q.30 Which SDG Goal's agenda is to end hunger and all forms of malnutrition by 2030?

- a. SDG Goal 4
- b. SDG Goal 8
- c. SDG Goal 2
- d. SDG Goal 12
- e. None of these

### Q.31 Under which Act SEBI has acquired the power to invest regulatory data leaks and unauthorised access of data?

- a. RBI Act, 1934
- b. Income Tax Act, 1961
- c. SEBI Act, 1992
- d. Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- e. None of these

### Q.32 Who is the present chairman of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)?

- a. U.K. Sinha
- b. Ajay Tyagi
- c. M.D. Mallya
- d. Nandan Nilekani
- e. None of these

### Q.33 UTKARSH 2022 recently in the news, deals with which among the following subjects?

- a. Data leak policy of SEBI
- b. NBFC investment policy and PSUs
- c. RBI core investment company policy
- d. RBI three year roadmap for regulation & supervision
- e. None of these

#### Q.34 Which statement about UTKARSH 2022 launched recently by RBI is correct?

- a. Is a 5-year long term strategy
- b. Is a 6 months short term strategy
- c. Is a 3-year medium-term strategy
- d. Is a 10-year long term strategy
- e. None of these

#### Q.35 Which launching vehicle will be used by ISRO to launch chandrayaan-2?

- a. PSLV-MK II
- b. GSLV-MK II

- c. GSLV-MK III
- d. GSLV-MK I
- e. None of these

# Q.36 With the successful launch of chandrayaan-2, what will be India's position in terms of countries landed successfully on the moon?

- a. 1st
- b. 2nd
- c. 3rd
- d. 4<sup>th</sup>
- e. None of these

#### Q.37 Plan Bee recently in the news is associated with which among the following?

- a. A device to measure rainfall
- b. Honey bee sound producing device
- c. Climate condition detection device
- d. A device used by Banks for payments
- e. None of these

# Q.38 Which commodity has been recently included by the National Commodity and Derivatives Exchange in its grain products basket?

- a. Wheat
- b. Basmati Rice
- c. Millets
- d. Jowar
- e. None of these

### Q.39 What is India's position in terms of export of Basmati rice?

- a. 2nd largest exporter
- b. Top leading exporter
- c. 4th largest exporter
- d. 5th largest exporter
- e. None of these

#### Q.40 With respect to the changes made by IRDAI in the regulation of TPAs, which is the correct statement?

- a. Policyholders can change TPAs any time
- b. Policyholder can have many options to choose even If the insurer provides only one TPA
- c. TPAs are not allowed to discuss service matters with policyholders
- d. Policyholders can choose TPAs apart from insurer's option
- e. None of these

#### Q.41 Out of the given options which statement correctly deals with bank frauds?

- a. Bank frauds are drastically reduced in the decade
- b. The Highest amount of bank fraud occurred in 2006-07





- c. The Highest amount of bank fraud occurred in 2016-17
- d. No Bank frauds are reported in the past decade
- e. None of these

# Q.42 Recently PM Jan Dhan Yojana was in news for crossing Rs1 trillion cumulative account balance, in how many years it has acquired this balance?

- a. In around 7th year
- b. In around 4th year
- c. In around 3rd year
- d. In around 5th year
- e. None of these

### Q.43 Choose the correct statement with respect to the provisions of Banning of Unregulated Deposited Scheme Bill?

- a. Only RBI approved deposits are allowed
- b. Only SEBI approved deposits are allowed
- c. RBI and SEBI approved deposits are allowed
- d. No approval of deposits required at all
- e. None of these

#### Q.44 The Workers Safety Bill, 2019 recently approved by the union cabinet is for?

- a. Only IT establishments
- b. A business entity with 15 or more workers
- c. Mine with at least 10 workers
- d. Business entity with 10 or more workers and mines even with one worker
- e. None of these

#### Q.45 Gold Medallist Dutee Chand, belongs to which field of sports?

- a. Boxing
- b. Long jump
- c. Sprint
- d. Weight Lifting
- e. None of these

### Q.46 Recently Dutee Chand won gold at the World Universiade, in this concern choose the correct statement?

- a. She is the 1st Indian sprinter to win gold at a global event
- b. She is the 2nd Indian sprinter to win gold at a global event
- c. She is the 2nd Indian sprinter to win gold at 100m global event
- d. She is the 3rd Indian sprinter to win gold at a global event
- e. None of these

#### Q.47 Which edition of India-Russia Strategic Economic Dialogue (IRSED) was recently held in New Delhi?

a. 1st



- b. 2nd
- c. 3rd
- d. 4th
- e. None of these

# Q.48 India-Russia Strategic Economic Dialogue (IRSED), held under the chairmanship of which department of the government of India?

- a. Ministry of Finance
- b. AYUSH
- c. NITI Aayog
- d. Ministry of external affairs
- e. None of these

#### Q.49 The RBI's Residential Asset Price Monitoring Survey is conducted \_\_\_\_\_?

- a. Biannually
- b. Annually
- c. Quarterly
- d. Half-yearly
- e. None of these

# Q.50 As per the RBI's Residential Asset Price Monitoring Survey, the house price-to-income ratio in the last 4 years has ?

- a. Decreased
- b. Increased
- c. Stagnant
- d. Drastically decreased
- e. None of these

# Q.51 Automated Facial Recognition System, recently in the news is proposed for use by which organisation?

- a. RBI
- b. CBI
- c. National Crime Record Bureau
- d. Central Board of Direct Taxes
- e. None of these

#### Q.52 'Study in India' programme is an initiative of which Department/Ministry of the government of India?

- a. Ministry of Human Resource Development
- b. Ministry of External Affairs
- c. Ministry of Women and child Development
- d. Department of Space
- e. None of these



#### Q.53 Which day is celebrated as the World population Day every year?

- a. 10th May
- b. 11th August
- c. 11th July
- d. 10th June
- e. None of these

#### Q.54 Recently "operation Thirst" was in news, it was organised by?

- a. National Cadet Corps
- b. Railway Police Force
- c. Central Response Police Force
- d. Delhi Metro
- e. None of these

#### Q.55 What is India's position in the world in terms of purchasing power Parity?

- a. 6th
- b. 2nd
- c. 3rd
- d. 5<sup>th</sup>
- e. None of these

### Q.56 Which is the first train handed over to a private player by the Indian Railways?

- a. Delhi-Mumbai Tejas Express
- b. Delhi-Lucknow Tejas Express
- c. Mumbai-Goa Tejas Express
- d. Delhi-Goa Tejas Express
- e. None of these

### Q.57 Which organisation of GOI is tasked to verify the standard of food for human consumption?

- a. Food processing department
- b. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India
- c. APEDA
- d. Food distribution department
- e. None of these

#### Q.58 Who has been recently appointed as the CFO of the World Bank Group?

- a. Arundhati Bhattacharya
- b. Anshula Kant
- c. G. Padmanabhan
- d. Girish Chandra Chaturvedi
- e. None of these

#### Q.59 The government has launched a "LaQshay" program for whom?

a. Old age people



- b. Skill development of youth
- c. Prevent Labour room mortality
- d. Vocational training
- e. None of these

#### Q.60 Who won the Wimbledon Women's final 2019?

- a. Simona Halep
- b. Serena Williams
- c. Maria Sharapova
- d. Venus Williams
- e. None of these

#### Q.61 Regional passport office comes under which ministry of GOI?

- a. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
- b. Ministry of External Affairs
- c. Finance and corporate affairs Ministry
- d. Human resource development ministry
- e. None of these

#### Q.62 India has recently provided 250 homes for refugees to which country?

- a. China
- b. Maldives
- c. Myanmar
- d. Bhutan
- e. None of these

### Q.63 Recently Indian Army celebrated which year's completion of Kargil War?

- a. 15 years
- b. 20 years
- c. 25 years
- d. 30 years
- e. None of these

#### Q.64 Which statement is correct in terms of the recent trend in Wholesale price-based inflation?

- a. WPI has increased
- b. WPI has increased marginally
- c. WPI has decreased
- d. WPI is stagnant
- e. None of these

#### Q.65 International Film Festival of India (IFFI) will mark its which edition in the year 2019?

- a. Silver Jubilee Edition
- b. Golden Jubilee Edition



- c. platinum Jubilee Edition
- d. Diamond Jubilee Edition
- e. None of these

### Q.66 Vinesh Phogat who recently won gold at Yasar Dogu International is a?

- a. Boxer
- b. Wrestler
- c. Gymnast
- d. Sprinter
- e. None of these

#### Q.67 Chandrayaan-2 mission of ISRO will explore which side of the Moon?

- a. Lunar North pole
- b. Lunar South pole
- c. Earth-facing surface
- d. Moon's orbital rotation surface
- e. None of these

### Q.68 Recently England won the title of ICC cricket world cup 2019, choose the correct statement in this context?

- a. England became the 3rd country to win the cup
- b. England became the 4th country to win the cup
- c. England became the 6th country to win the cup
- d. England became the 10th country to win the cup
- e. None of these

### Q.69 Who won the fifth Wimbledon title in men's singles 2019?

- a. Roger Federer
- b. Novak Djokovic
- c. Rafael Nadal
- d. Andy Murray
- e. None of these

### Q.70 The SARFAESI Act of the government of India is linked with?

- a. Recovering dues exceeding 5 lakh
- b. Recovering dues exceeding 2 lakh
- c. Recovering dues exceeding 1 lakh
- d. Recovering dues exceeding 10 lakh
- e. None of these

#### Q.71 With respect to Basic Savings Bank Deposit (BSBD) accounts, which statement is correct?

- a. A minimum balance is required
- b. No minimum balance is required



- c. Limit on the number of deposits
- d. Banks charge for additional services
- e. None of these

### Q.72 Global Economic Prospects report is released by?

- a. World Economic Forum
- b. IMF
- c. World Bank
- d. OECD
- e. None of these

# Q.73 Which country was recently in news for having the weakest slowdown in 27 years/3 decades in growth rate (GDP)?

- a. U.S.
- b. U.K.
- c. China
- d. India
- e. None of these

# Q.74 With powers vested under which Act, RBI has recently imposed a penalty on SBI bank for non-compliance of its IRAC and CRILC norms?

- a. Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
- b. Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- c. State Bank of India Act, 1955
- d. Regional Rural Banks Act, 1976
- e. None of these

### Q.75 The Fast-Track Mechanism recently in news, was to facilitate investors and companies of India and

\_\_\_?

- a. China
- b. France
- c. Germany
- d. Italy
- e. None of these

# Q.76 HDFC and Common Service Centres (CSCs) launched which among the following for village-level entrepreneurs (VLEs)?

- a. MSME Credit Card
- b. Small Business Money-Back Credit Card
- c. All Business Money-Back Credit Card
- d. Small and Medium Business Money-Back Credit Card
- e. None of these



a. "Find the Incredible India" campaign b. "Find the Incredible You" campaign

Q.77 'Internet Saathi' recently in news, is a combined initiative of Tata Trusts and?  a. Microsoft b. IBM c. Google India d. Amazon e. None of these
Q.78 India has been recently called up by Brazil for a WTO dispute settlement mechanism in the concern of?  a. Rice production and export  b. MSP given to maize farmers  c. Subsidies given to sugarcane farmers  d. Subsidies given to millet farmers  e. None of these
Q.79 'Resilient Kerala Initiative' is a partnership project between the Kerala government and?  a. IMF b. World Bank c. WTO d. SAARC e. None of these
Q.80 Out of the given options, which committee is related to the surplus transfer of reserves between RBI and the government?  a. H.R. khan committee b. Tapan Ray committee c. Bimal Jalan committee d. TN Mahoharan committee e. None of these
Q.81 What is the maximum duration of time for the completion of the resolution process for corporates, allowed under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)?  a. 330 days b. 270 days c. 250 days d. 100 days e. None of these
Q.82 Which campaign of the Tourism Ministry won the Pacific Asia Travel Association (PATA) Gold Award 2019?

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- c. "Find the Inner You" campaign
- d. "Make India Incredible" campaign
- e. None of these

#### Q.83 Among the following sportspersons, who is appointed as the UNICEF India's Youth Ambassador?

- a. Dutee Chand
- b. Hima Das
- c. Mithali Raj
- d. MC Mary Kom
- e. None of these

#### Q.84 The 15th Finance Commission is using which census for resource allocation of funds?

- a. 1971
- b. 2001
- c. 2011
- d. 1991
- e. None of these

### Q.85 The Budget 2019-20 has proposed to transfer\_\_\_\_% of SEBI's surplus funds to the government?

- a. 20%
- b. 60%
- c. 25%
- d. 75%
- e. None of these

### Q.86 Which Indian player is recently inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame?

- a. Sourav Ganguly
- b. M.S. Dhoni
- c. Sachin Tendulkar
- d. Virat Kohli
- e. None of these

#### Q.87 Which infrastructure finance entity was proposed to be set up in Budget 2019-20?

- a. Credit Guarantee Bond Corporation
- b. Credit Guarantee Enhancement Corporation
- c. Credit Bond Enhancement Corporation
- d. Credit Bond Rating Corporation
- e. None of these

#### Q.88 Which is the 1st foreign bank to launch operations at IFSC GIFT City, Gujarat?

- a. Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank
- b. Bank International Indonesia
- c. Standard Chartered
- d. Antwerp Diamond Bank



e. None of these

Q.89 According to the disclosure norms of SEBI, all listed banks have to disclose the NPAs exceeding \_\_\_\_\_% of the reported profit before provisions and contingencies?

- a. 15%
- b. 10%
- c. 20%
- d. 25%
- e. None of these

#### Q.90 The Finance bill consisting of the amendment of the SEBI Act is passed in the parliament as?

- a. An ordinary Bill
- b. Financial Bill
- c. Money Bill
- d. Constitutional Amendment Bill
- e. None of these

#### Q.91 What is the present term of the chairman of the National Human Rights Commission?

- a. 4 years
- b. 5 years
- c. 3 years
- d. 6 years
- e. None of these

#### Q.92 Which day is celebrated as 'Kargil Vijay Diwas'?

- a. 25th July
- b. 26th July
- c. 27th July
- d. 28th July
- e. None of these

#### Q.93 AYUSH Grid project was recently in the news, has the purpose of?

- a. Expanding Common service centres for healthcare
- b. Increasing the AYUSH medicines stock in govt. hospitals
- c. Digitalising the AYUSH healthcare at all levels
- d. To make AYUSH as a study course in schools/colleges
- e. None of these

#### Q.94 Recently World Bank has withdrawn from funding which infrastructure development project?

- a. Gujarat Sustainable Infrastructure Development Project
- b. Amravati Sustainable Infrastructure Development Project
- c. North East Sustainable Infrastructure Development Project
- d. Telangana Sustainable Infrastructure Development Project
- e. None of these





#### Q.95 Who is presently the Governor of Uttar Pradesh?

- a. Lal Ji Tandor
- b. Anandi Ben Patel
- c. Ram Naik
- d. Phagu Chauhan
- e. None of these

# Q.96 The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has recently prohibited the use of Colistin in the animal food industry because?

- a. It is harmful to milch animals
- b. It increases anti-microbial resistance in animals
- c. It increases anti-microbial resistance in humans
- d. It affects the fertility of animals
- e. None of these

### Q.97 Apollo 11 has marked its \_\_\_ anniversary on moon landing on 20th July 2019?

- a. 25th
- b. 40th
- c. 50th
- d. 75<sup>th</sup>
- e. None of these

# Q.98 Who won the Mr South Asia title at the 12th edition of South Asian Bodybuilding and Physique Sports Championship?

- a. Mamdouh Elssbiay
- b. Sangram Chougule
- c. Varinder Singh Ghuman
- d. Ravinder Kumar Malik
- e. None of these

#### Q.99 Out of the given options, which Indicator/Indicators are considered for Inflation forecast by ADB?

- a. Currency's Value of a country
- b. country's GDP
- c. Oil prices
- d. All of the above
- e. None of these

# Q.100 The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has decided to go for complete FASTag lanes at toll plazas by?

- a. 1st November
- b. 10th December
- c. 1st December
- d. 11th December
- e. None of these

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#### Q.101 National Productivity Summit recently in news is related to which sector?

- a. Agriculture
- b. Manufacturing Industry
- c. Fisheries
- d. Education
- e. None of these

### Q.102 Which statement is correct about the legality of cryptocurrency in India?

- a. It is considered as a legal tender money
- b. It is accepted in financial transactions and banks
- c. Both a & b
- d. It is considered cryptocurrencies as legal tender or coin
- e. No statement is correct

#### Q.103 Who is the present Chief of the Army Staff (COAS)?

- a. Manoj Mukund Naravane
- b. D Anbu
- c. Bipin Rawat
- d. R.P. Singh
- e. None of these

### Q.104 Who will take over Lieutenant General D Anbu as the next Vice Chief of the Indian Army?

- a. Manoj Mukund Naravane
- b. Anil Chauhan
- c. I.S. Ghuman
- d. A.S. Kler
- e. None of these

# Q.105 Finance Ministry has exempted which goods among the following from IGST when taken out from India for exhibition and bought back?

- a. God/Goddess monuments
- b. Inscriptions
- c. Gem and Jewellery
- d. Geographical Indication (GI) Products
- e. c and d

# Q.106 How many countries have already explored the lunar south pole of the moon which Chandraayaan 2 will explore in its mission?

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 0
- e. None of these



#### Q.107 Which Indian coastal state has the highest number of naval air bases?

- a. Karnataka
- b. Andhra Pradesh
- c. Tamil Nadu
- d. Odisha
- e. None of these

#### Q.108 Who is the chief of the Naval Staff (CNS) in the Indian Navy presently?

- a. Admiral Sunil Lanba
- b. Admiral Karambir Singh
- c. Birender Singh Dhanoa
- d. Arup Raha
- e. None of these

#### Q.109 RBI's medium-term strategy framework UTKARSH 2022 has a duration of?

- a. 2020-2023
- b. 2019-2024
- c. 2020-2022
- d. 2019-2022
- e. None of these

### Q.110 The Income Tax Day is celebrated in India on?

- a. 21st July
- b. 23rd August
- c. 24th July
- d. 25th July
- e. None of these

#### Q.111 What is the theme of the Global Innovation Index 2019?

- a. Creating Innovative ideas- The Future Innovation
- b. Creating Healthy Lives The Future of Medical Innovation
- c. Live to Elders- Future of Medical Innovation
- d. Creating Child and Mother lives-The Future of Medical Innovation
- e. None of these

### Q.112 Which country has topped the Global Innovation Index 2019?

- a. France
- b. Germany
- c. USA
- d. Switzerland
- e. None of these

### Q.113 Who has recently resigned from the post of the deputy governor of RBI?

a. BP Kanungo





- b. Viral Acharya
- c. N. S. Vishwanathan
- d. Mahesh Kumar Jain
- e. None of these

#### Q.114 Which among the following report is published by the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

- a. World Development Report
- b. World Economic Outlook Report
- c. Global Economic Prospects
- d. World Economic Situation and Prospects Report
- e. Both b and c are correct

#### Q.115 Which country has recently made free visa-on-arrival facility for India?

- a. China
- b. Pakistan
- c. Srilanka
- d. Bhutan
- e. None of these

# Q.116 As per IBBI new norm, the resolution professionals will not be eligible to obtain the 'Authorisation for Assignment' once they attain the age of?

- a. 60 years
- b. 65 years
- c. 70 years
- d. 75 years
- e. None of these

### Q.117 Who is currently the Secretary for the Department of Economic Affairs?

- a. Subhash Chandra Garg
- b. Atanu Chakraborty
- c. Ajay Kumar Bhalla
- d. Guruprasad Mohapatra
- e. None of these

# Q.118 Which state has recently stalled the centre's PM Fasal Bima Yojana Scheme and launched its own crop insurance scheme?

- a. Odisha
- b. Jharkhand
- c. West Bengal
- d. Andhra Pradesh
- e. None of these

### Q.119 Recently the term "Cloud seeding" was in news in the context of \_\_\_\_?

a. Cybersecurity



- b. Non Communicable disease
- c. Artificial rainfall
- d. Export demand from China
- e. None of these

#### Q.120 The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) is a \_\_\_\_\_?

- a. Statutory body
- b. Constitutional body
- c. Quasi-judicial body
- d. State regulatory
- e. None of these

#### Q.121 "UKEIRI Mobility Programme: Study in India", is associated with India and \_\_\_\_\_?

- a. USA
- b. UK
- c. China
- d. Germany
- e. None of these

### Q.122 Who is the present chairman of the National Anti-profiteering Authority (NAA)?

- a. Amand Shah
- b. R Bhagyadevi
- c. Badri Narain Sharma
- d. J C Chauhan
- e. None of these

# Q.123 With respect to the Pradhan Mantri Laghu Vyapari Maan-Dhan Yojana, choose the correct statement?

- a. It is eligible for a person between 18-40 years of age
- b. The person will get a monthly pension of Rs 3000/month after attaining 60 years of age
- c. The contribution of the person to the scheme varies with the age of enrolment
- d. All are correct
- e. a & b are correct

#### Q.124 The government has reduced the GST on Electric Vehicles to ?

- a. 12%
- b. 5%
- c. 18%
- d. 10%
- e. None of them

### Q.125 In which context UN-SPIDER was in news recently?

- a. Export to Asian countries
- b. Sharing data among the world's central banks





- c. Sharing data on disasters among countries
- d. Sharing data on terrorism with countries
- e. None of these

#### Q.126 Raising day is celebrated by which police force?

- a. CRPF
- b. ITBP
- c. BSF
- d. CIPF
- e. None of these

#### Q.127 Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Beema Yojna is applicable to?

- a. Small traders and vendors of age group 18-60 years
- b. Shopkeepers and small businessman of age group 18-40 years
- c. All individuals of age group 18-70 years
- d. Both a and b
- e. None of them

#### Q.128 Which is the last country to become a member of BRICS in 2010?

- a. Srilanka
- b. South Africa
- c. Seychelles
- d. Saudi Arabia
- e. None of these

### Q.129 The Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana was launched for which sector?

- a. Agriculture
- b. Artisans
- c. Construction workers
- d. Traders
- e. None of these

#### Q.130 The government in budget 2019 has decided to borrow overseas sovereign bond in?

- a. Foreign currencies
- a. Domestic currencies
- b. Both a and b
- c. Neither a nor b
- d. None of these

#### Q.131 Indian Air Force has bought the AH-64E Apache helicopters from which country?

- a. Russia
- b. UK
- c. France
- d. USA



e. None of these

#### Q.132 SBI has signed an agreement with which company for upkeeping its Agri mortgaged commodities?

- a. Systematic lending commodity Management
- b. Sohan Lal Commodity Management
- c. Shyam Lal Commodity Management
- d. Systematic lowest commodity Management
- e. None of these

### Q.133 As per the IBBI norms, what is the timeline given for completing the liquidation process for corporate debtors?

- a. 2 years
- b. 60 days
- c. 1 year
- d. 5 years
- e. None of these

#### Q.134 Which day is celebrated as International Tiger Day every year?

- a. 26th June
- b. 29th July
- c. 29th June
- d. 26th July
- e. None of these

### Q.135 The India-Nepal Logistics Summit 2019 was held in?

- a. New Delhi, India
- b. Chandigarh, India
- c. Kathmandu, Nepal
- d. Patan, Nepal
- e. None of these

#### Q.136 Under which ministry the 7th Economic census is being conducted?

- a. Ministry of commerce and industry
- b. Ministry of Human Resource Development
- c. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- d. Ministry of Development of North-East Region
- e. None of these

#### Q.137 The third edition of Khelo India Youth Games will be held at?

- a. New Delhi
- b. Assam
- c. Tripura
- d. Pune

e. None of these

#### Q.138 The first Himalayan Conclave was held in which state?

- a. Tripura
- b. Jharkhand
- c. Punjab
- d. Uttarakhand
- e. None of these

#### Q.139 Recently 5th International Dharma-Dhamma conference was held in?

- a. Bihar
- b. Tripura
- c. Sikkim
- d. Jharkhand
- e. None of these

#### Q.140 Which amphibious Landing Craft Utility ship has been recently commissioned by the Indian Navy?

- a. HMIS Bengal
- b. IV LCU
- c. LCU L-56
- d. INS Tir (A86)
- e. None of these

### Q.141 The domestic proxy advisory firms are regulated under?

- a. SEBI Act 1992
- b. SEBI (Research Analysts) Regulations, 2014
- c. SEBI (Settlement Proceedings) Regulations, 2018
- d. SEBI (Procedure for Search and Seizure) Repeal Regulations, 2015
- e. None of these

#### Q.142 Which out of the following states in India has got GI tag for 'Banglar Rasogolla?

- a. Odisha
- b. West Bengal
- c. Both a & b
- d. Neither a nor b
- e. None of these

#### Q.143 Recently President Ram Nath Kovind visited Benin, Whose capital is?

- a. Cotonou
- b. Abomey-Calavi
- c. Djougou
- d. Porto-Novo
- e. None of these

#### Q.144 The Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2019 has made provisions for?

- a. Corporate Bonds
- b. Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)
- c. Companies shareholders
- d. Both a and c
- e. None of them

#### Q.145 India has recently signed MoU on defence with?

- a. Sri Lanka
- b. Myanmar
- c. Bangladesh
- d. Maldives
- e. None of these

#### Q.146 As per RBI norms, ECBs with minimum 10 years average maturity period can be used for?

- a. General corporate purposes
- b. Working capital purposes
- c. Borrowing by NBFCs
- d. All of them
- e. None of these

### Q.147 Who is the present Finance Secretary of the Department of Financial Services under the Ministry of Finance?

- a. Rajiv Kumar
- b. Subhash Chandra Garg
- c. Ajay Bhushan Pandey
- d. Atanu Chakraborty
- e. None of these

#### Q.148 Which option is correct in the context of the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill?

- a. India is 1st country to ban triple Talaq
- b. Triple Talaq is a punishable offence with up to 3-year jail term
- c. The bill is passed by both the houses of the parliament
- d. b & c
- e. All of them

### **ANSWERS:**

Ans. 1: (C) The appointment of Hota comes at a time when the housing finance sector has been going through a turmoil due to liquidity crunch sparked off by the defaults by Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services Ltd which unfolded last September.





- **Ans. 2: (A)** The nuclear-powered Dragonfly is expected to spend two years flying vast distances across Titan's surface and touching down at different sites of interest.
- Ans. 3: (D) Mark Tully is the former Bureau Chief of BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) in New Delhi, India. He has been knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in the UK and also conferred with the Padma Bhushan in India.
- Ans. 4: (A) GST was rolled out in the intervening night of 30th June and July 1st 2017 in a ceremony held in the Central Hall of Parliament.
- Ans. 5: (B) President Donald Trump met North Korean leader Kim Jong Un at the border village of Panmunjom in the Demilitarized Zone, South Korea and agreed to resume stalled nuclear talks.
- Ans. 6: (B) The theme of National Doctor's Day 2019 is "Zero tolerance to violence against doctors and clinical establishment". On this day free medical checkups and camps are organised at healthcare centres in order to promote free of cost medical services.
- Ans. 7: (D) As per India's Deputy Permanent Representative to the UN, Ambassador K. Nagaraj Naidu, the government increased its annual financial contribution fourfold to the UNRWA core budget from USD 1.25 million in 2016 to USD 5 million in 2018.
- **Ans. 8: (C)** This comes after Japan's 6-month notice to withdraw from the International Whaling Commission (IWC) took effect on 30th June 2019.
- Ans. 9: (B) Vaibhav Yadav won the title after defeating Fahpetch Singmanassak of Thailand. He is a cousin of Commonwealth Games (CWG) Gold-medallist Vikas Krishan who has also turned pro now.
- **Ans. 10: (C)** Nambiar is also a director on boards of IntelleCash Microfinance Network Company. He will be replacing Ujjivan Financial Services CEO and MD Samit Ghosh.
- **Ans. 11: (B)** Alternate composition scheme is a tax levy method under GST designed for small taxpayers. To bring simplicity and reduce compliance cost for small taxpayers.
- **Ans. 12: (C)** The scheme resists e-commerce players, businesses with tobacco and pan masala, inter-state supplies and ice-cream manufacturers to opt for the scheme. A buyer will not get the benefits of the input tax credit if he/she is transacting with a seller registered under the composite scheme.
- **Ans. 13: (B)** National Cadet Corps (NCC) has undertaken a pan-India Mega Pollution Awareness Pakhwada (fortnight) from July 01-11 2019. The pakhwada aims to sensitise the people against various kinds of pollution and their effects.
- Ans. 14: (C) RISAT-2B is a Radar imaging earth observation satellite which is indigenously developed by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). The satellite is placed in an inclined orbit, 37 degrees to the equator to increase the number of imaging angles and opportunities and is being operated in X band.



- Ans. 15: (D) RISAT-2B is India's 3rd radar imaging satellite program after RISAT-2 launched in 2009 (before RISAT-1) and RISAT-1 launched in 2012. RISAT-2 is the first radar observation satellite India has launched in 2012 designed to monitor India's borders.
- Ans. 16: (C) "Zero budget" stands for no production cost in farming and "Natural Farming" stands for doing farming without any aided chemical fertilizer or external seed and only using natural resources.
- **Ans. 17: (B)** Tapan Ray will be the chairman of the working group (of 6 members) who is presently Non-Executive Chairman of Central Bank of India and former Secretary of Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- **Ans. 18: (B)** CIC is a Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) that is indulged in the business of acquiring shares and securities. The CIC holds not less than 90% of its net assets in the form of investment.
- Ans. 19: (C) New Space India Limited (NSIL) is a Public Sector Enterprise that has been incorporated as a new commercial arm of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) as announced by the Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in the budget 2019.
- Ans. 20: (A) SGSs are government securities denominated in grams of gold and act as substitutes for holding physical gold. The minimum investment limit of subscription is one gram and the maximum limit is 4 kg for individuals, HUFs and 20 kg for trusts.
- Ans. 21: (C) Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman proposes to start a DD channel exclusively for start-ups announcing the Union Budget 2019-20.
- Ans. 22: (B) According to the Finance Bill, the RBI can supersede the NBFC Board for a maximum five year period, if the RBI finds that it in the 'public interest' or to prevent the affairs of an NBFC whose conducts are detrimental to the interest of the depositors or creditors.
- Ans. 23: (D) One woman in every SHG will be eligible for a loan up to Rs. 1 lakh under MUDRA Scheme. Women SHG interest subvention program will be expanded to all districts.
- Ans. 24: (C) Jaipur city, India has now 38 UNESCO world heritage sites of which 30 are Cultural properties, 7 are Natural properties and 1 is the mixed site.
- Ans. 25: (B) Vande Bharat can run up to a speed of 160 km/h and include modern features like automatic doors, onboard hotspot Wi-Fi, GPS based audio-visual passenger information system with up to 30% saving of electrical energy.
- Ans. 26: (C) An amendment bill which allows voluntary use of Aadhaar as proof of identity for users to open bank accounts and get mobile phone connection.
- Ans. 27: (A) The Bill provides for an individual to voluntarily use his Aadhaar number to establish his identity, by authentication or offline verification.
- **Ans. 28: (C)** All State-run universities in Karnataka will have to provide 1% reservation for girl children of women who were victims of sexual assault or were Devadasis.



- **Ans. 29: (B)** The Coffee Table Book-50 years of Partnership for Change was launched at the event to mark the achievements so far attained.
- **Ans. 30: (C)** It aims for 'ending hunger, achieving food security, improving nutrition and promoting sustainable agriculture' to achieve the target of Sustainable Development Goal 2.
- **Ans. 31: (C)** Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has acquired new powers to act against information tampering, leak of data, destroying of regulatory data or unauthorised access to data.
- **Ans. 32: (B)** Ajay Tyagi is the present chairman of SEBI and took over U.K. Sinha on March 1,2017. Its objective is to regulate the securities market and protect the securities investors.
- **Ans. 33: (D)** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) board, finalised a three- year roadmap to improve regulation and supervision, among other functions of the central bank.
- **Ans. 34: (C)** The three-year medium-term strategy- named UTKARSH 2022 has been made for improving regulation, supervision of the central bank and avoid any crisis.
- Ans. 35: (C) The Indian Space Research Organisation's Chandrayaan-2 moon orbiter, lander and rover launch into space atop a Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mark III-M1 rocket.
- **Ans. 36: (D)** Chandayaan-2 is an indigenously developed mission and with its success, India will become the 4th country in the world to successfully land on the Moon.
- **Ans. 37: (B)** The NFR earned the award for designing a device "Plan Bee", to keep wild elephants away from railway tracks by imitating the buzz of a swarm of honey bees.
- **Ans. 38: (B)** India contributes about 23% (116 million tonnes) of global rice production (500 million tonnes). Basmati accounts for about 5% of the total production of paddy in India
- Ans. 39: (B) In the case of basmati rice production, India commands over 70% (about 5.5 million tonnes) of global production (9 million tonnes) becoming the world's top exporter of basmati rice.
- Ans. 40: (C) TPAs would not be allowed to discuss matters of health services directly to the policyholders or prospects. The policyholder will choose the TPAs from the names of the TPAs explicitly provided by the insurers.
- **Ans. 41: (C)** An average of Rs 6.6 crore per fraud amount occurred in 2016-17, higher than Rs 4.21 crore per fraud average amount in 11 years. The frauds mentioned in the list are those involving Rs 1 lakh or more.
- Ans. 42: (D) Deposits in bank accounts opened under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), launched about five years ago, have crossed the Rs 1-lakh crore mark.
- Ans. 43: (C) Banning of Unregulated Deposited Scheme Bill, which says that SEBI and RBI approved deposits will be allowed, to tackle the menace of illicit deposit-taking activities in the country.



- Ans. 44: (D) The Worker safety code Bill seeks to merge 13 labour laws into one code on Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Bill, 2019. The laws would be applicable to all business establishments with 10 or more workers.
- Ans. 45: (C) Dutee Chand became the first Indian woman track and field athlete to clinch a gold medal in the World Universiade after she won the 100m sprint event here.
- **Ans. 46: (B)** Dutee Chand become only the second Indian sprinter to win a gold in a global event after Hima Das, who clinched the top spot in 400m in the World Junior Athletics Championships last year.
- Ans. 47: (B) The Second meeting of the IRSED focussed on six core areas of covering Agriculture, Digital Technologies, Transport, Small and Medium Business, Tourism & Connectivity and Finance.
- **Ans. 48: (C)** IRSED was held under the chairmanship of Dr Rajiv Kumar, Vice-Chairman NITI Aayog and Mr Timur Maksimov, of the Economic Development of the Russian Federation.
- Ans. 49: (C) The RBI's quarterly Residential Asset Price Monitoring Survey showed the house price-to-income ratio in India increased in the last four years from 56.1 in the 2015 March quarter to 61.5 in the corresponding period of 2019.
- Ans. 50: (B) Bhubaneswar with a price-to-income ratio of 54.3 was found to be the most affordable city for home buying in the 2019 March quarter.
- Ans. 51: (C) AFRS a national database of photos and videos of people's faces is a component of the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network and System (CCTNS). NCRB will use CCTV footage, newspaper photos, sketches etc. to identify missing people, criminals, and dead bodies.
- **Ans. 52: (A)** Ministry of Human Resource Development has approved 'Study in India' programme with, the following objectives:
  - 1. To attract foreign students for Higher Education to India.
  - 2. Use Higher Education as a soft power for diplomacy with neighbouring countries.
- Ans. 53: (C) World population Day is observed on 11th July every year. It was established by the United Nations Development Programme in 1989.
- Ans. 54: (B) Railway Protection Force (RPF) recently launched as an all India drive to crackdown selling of unauthorised Packaged Drinking Water (PDW) in Delhi.
- **Ans. 55: (C)** London-based global information provider, IHS Markit Ltd estimated that India will become the 3rd biggest economy in 2025 by overtaking Japan.
- **Ans. 56: (B)** The Tejas Express train on the Delhi-Lucknow route is likely to become the first train which is to be operated by private entities. The move to invite private players to operate and manage Indian Railways train has been done well in advance as against government's 100-day plan.



- Ans. 57: (B) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) plans to launch a scheme for sampling, testing and inspection of milk. The step is taken after a few samples were found containing adulterants in FSSAI's National Milk Quality Survey last year.
- Ans. 58: (B) Anshula Kant will be the 1st women Chief Financial Officer(CFO) of the World Bank Group. She is assigned to work for financial and risk management of the WBG.
- Ans. 59: (C) Government of India has launched "LaQshya" (Labour room Quality improvement Initiative) to improve quality of care in labour room and maternity operation theatres in public health facilities.
- **Ans. 60: (A)** Simona Halep dispatched 7-time Wimbledon Champion Serena Williams in just 56 minutes to clinch her 1st Wimbledon and 2nd Major title. She became the first Romanian to win the singles title at SW19.
- **Ans. 61: (B)** The Ministry of External affairs is very sensitive regarding the matter. Cases include desertion, Divorces, domestic violence, dowry harassment etc. A large number of the cases were reported from Punjab.
- **Ans. 62: (C)** Saurabh Kumar, Ambassador to Myanmar handed over 250 houses to the Myanmar Government for Rohingya when they return. The project was signed in 2017 between India and Myanmar.
- Ans. 63: (B) The year 2019, marks 20th anniversary of victory in Operation VIJAY popularly known as Kargil War, and is being celebrated with theme- Remember, Rejoice and Renew.
- Ans. 64: (C) Vegetable inflation softened to 24.76 per cent in June, down from 33.15 per cent in the previous month. Inflation in the fuel and power category cooled substantially to minus 2.20 per cent from 0.98 per cent last month.
- **Ans. 65: (B)** Union Minister Shri Prakash Javadekar and Goa CM Dr Pramod Sawant released a special IFFI Golden Jubilee Edition poster at the event.
- Ans. 66: (B) Vinesh Phogat won gold in 53Kg wrestling category at Yasar Dogu International. She won over Russia's Ekaterina Poleshchuk by a 9-5 margin.
- Ans. 67: (B) The mission took place exactly 50 years after two U.S. astronauts stepped on the Moon. This is an Indian mission to touch the Moon's lunar side the South Pole.
- **Ans. 68: (C)** England won the trophy of ICC world cup held in its 12th edition 2019 that held in England, Wales. England became the sixth team to win ICC Cricket World Cup.
- Ans. 69: (B) It was the longest Wimbledon men's singles final and held between Novak Djokovic and Roger Federer of Switzerland. He won his 5th Wimbledon title giving the tie to Bjorn Borg.
- Ans. 70: (C) SARFAESI Act is administered by the central government which allow banks/financial institutions to recover dues of borrower/guarantor exceeding Rs 1 Lakh by proceeding against their secured assets without the intervention of the court/tribunals.
- Ans. 71: (B) Such additional services, banks shall not require the customer to maintain a minimum balance. Offering such additional services would not make it a non-BSBD Account, so long as the prescribed minimum services are provided free of charge.



- Ans. 72: (C) The exports are also affected by certain global trends as the World Bank also projected weakening of global trade in its Global Economic Prospects (June 2019).
- Ans. 73: (C) China's economy grew 6.2 per cent in the second quarter of this year, its slowest rate in 27 years, as the country's trade war with the United States.
- Ans. 74: (B) RBI imposed a penalty of Rs 7 crore on SBI and Rs 10 lakh on Union Bank of India for violating norms issued by RBI. The penalty has been imposed with powers vested under the provision of section 47A(1)(c) of the Banking Regulation Act,1949.
- Ans. 75: (D) A fast-track system would be set up for companies and investors of India and Italy to facilitate investment proposals in both the countries, the Ministry of Economic Development.
- Ans. 76: (B) HDFC Bank and Common Services Centres launched a co-branded 'Small Business Money Back Credit Card' for small traders and village-level entrepreneurs (VLEs).
- Ans. 77: (C) Google India-Tata Trusts' is a combined initiative of Google India and Tata Trusts. It aims to facilitate digital literacy among rural women in India.
- Ans. 78: (C) The domestic support mandates domestic sugar mills to pay the fair and remunerative price to sugarcane farmers. Brazil has claimed that the fair and remunerative price for sugarcane has almost doubled from Rs 1,391.2 per tonne in 2010-11 to Rs 2,750 per tonne in 2018-19.
- Ans. 79: (B) The Centre, state government and the World Bank had last month signed the loan agreement of US\$ 250 million for the programme, which aims at enhancing the state's resilience against the impacts of natural calamities and climate change.
- **Ans. 80: (C)** The Bimal Jalan Committee on Economic Capital Framework met on 17th July 2019 for the final time to decide on transferring of surplus reserves to the government.
- Ans. 81: (A) Amendments to The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) was approved. This includes 330 days deadline for corporate resolution process and 7 other amendments. Currently, IBC allows a maximum of 270 days for clearing a resolution plan (180 days and extended 90 days if a majority of the creditors agree).
- Ans. 82: (B) Union Tourism Ministry's Incredible India 'Find the Incredible You' campaign has won PATA (Pacific Asia Travel Association) Gold Award 2019. It won the award in 'Marketing- Primary Government Designation' category.
- Ans. 83: (B) Hima Das won gold Women's 200m Poznan Athletics Grand Prix in Poland on 5th July 2019. She has been appointed as UNICEF India's Youth Ambassador on 15th November 2018.
- **Ans. 84: (C)** The commission, which has been mandated to use 2011 census data, rather than the one of 1971 for resource allocation, was to submit its report by October 30, 2019, for 5 years between 2020-2025.
- **Ans. 85: (D)** The Finance Minister proposed an amendment to the SEBI Act in the budget 2019-20 which will transfer 75% SEBI's surplus funds to the central government.



- **Ans. 86: (C)** Sachin Tendulkar has become sixth Indian cricketer to be included in the ICC Hall of Fame. The ICC selected India's Sachin Tendulkar, South Africa's Allan Donald and Australia's Cathryn Fitzpatrick for the hall of fame honour at a ceremony.
- **Ans. 87: (B)** The Infrastructure finance entity- CGEC was announced by Nirmala Sitharaman in the budget 2019-20 to increase the source of capital for infrastructure financing. The CGEC is expected to free up lending of up to Rs 3.5 lakh crore by the banks.
- **Ans. 88: (C)** The banking business at GIFT IFSC has seen a 167 per cent jump in two years. The cumulative banking transactions touched \$22 billion this year, up from \$6 billion in 2016-17.
- Ans. 89: (B) As per SEBI's new norm, if the additional provisioning of NPAs identified by RBI exceeds 10% of the reported profit before provisions and contingencies, then all the listed banks have to disclose to the stock exchanges divergences in the asset provisioning and classification.
- Ans. 90: (C) SEBI has opposed the finance bill provision to transfer surplus funds to the Consolidated fund of India (CFI). The finance bill is a money bill, it means once passed by the Lok Sabha, it would become law unchanged even if the Rajya Sabha wants to amend it.
- **Ans. 91: (A)** The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has proposed to amend the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993 to address the concerns raised at certain global platforms.
- Ans. 92: (B) The 'Kargil war' was declared over on 26th July 1999, that was fought between the Indian soldiers and the Pakistani troops in which India got the victory in the battle.
- Ans. 93: (C) AYUSH has also launched AYUSH Health Management Information System (A-HMIS) in 2018, which is an IT course for capacity building of AYUSH Doctors by use of Digital Technologies in Healthcare.
- Ans. 94: (B) The World Bank was considering the project under Amravati sustainable Infrastructure and Institutional Development Project and Amravati Sustainable Capital City Development Project. A.P. was split in 2014, and Hyderabad was shared as the capital by both states (Telangana and A.P.) for 10 years.
- Ans. 95: (B) Anandiben Patel has been transferred from Madhya Pradesh to UP and replaced Ram Naik.
- Ans. 96: (C) The move is taken against anti-microbial resistance in humans and to increase the drug's efficacy in humans. The ban is imposed under the provisions of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.
- **Ans. 97: (C)** NASA showed the streaming footage of the launch online on the anniversary, which was watched by half a billion people 50 years ago.
- Ans. 98: (D) Indian bodybuilder Ravinder Kumar Malik won Mr. South Asia title 2019. He was crowned overall champion held in Kathmandu in Nepal.
- Ans. 99: (D) The inflation forecast for South Asia for 2019 was lowered from 4.7% to 4.5%, mainly due to lowered forecast for India. India's GDP forecast has also been lowered by ADO in 2019-20.
- Ans. 100: (C) The Ministry will make one 'hybrid lane' at every toll plaza to facilitate and monitor over-dimensional or oversized vehicles, where FASTag and other modes of payment will be accepted.



- Ans. 101: (B) Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) which is the apex body of machine tool makers will host the summit at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC), Bengaluru.
- Ans. 102: (E) The committee proposed a draft bill "Banning of Cryptocurrency & Regulation of Official Digital Currency Bill, 2019". The group has proposed that the government may establish a standing committee to revisit the issues addressed in the report.
- Ans. 103: (C) Lt Gen Naravane will be the senior-most commander when incumbent Gen Bipin Rawat retires on December 31 and thus will be in contention for the Army chief's post (Chief of the Army Staff).
- Ans. 104: (A) Indian Army, Eastern Army Commander Lt Gen Manoj Mukund Naravane has been appointed as next vice-chief of armed force. He will succeed Lt Gen D Anbu who is set to retire on 31 August 2019.
- Ans. 105: (C) IGST was levied on gem and jewellery taken out of India for exhibition or consignment purpose and was considered as reimport when bought back into the country. To correct the anomaly, several representations were made by the Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council and the industry.
- **Ans. 106: (D)** The mission's target is a region near the mysterious South Pole, where no other country's mission have explored. It is in line with India's aim to become a major space player and put Indian astronauts in space by 2022.
- Ans. 107: (C) The Squadron will be operating from Chennai International Airport. With commissioning of INAS 313, the State of Tamil Nadu will have three naval air bases; which is the highest number for any Coastal State.
- Ans. 108: (B) The fifth Dornier squadron Indian Naval Air Squadron (INAS) 313, was commissioned into the Indian Navy by Admiral Karambir Singh.
- **Ans. 109: (D)** The vision document is a 3-year roadmap to guide the RBI during the medium-term period (2019-22). A sub-committee of the central board will periodically monitor its implementation and progress.
- Ans. 110: (C) The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) will celebrate the 159th Income Tax Day i.e. Aaykar Diwas on 24th July 2019. It was to compensate for the losses incurred by the British regime during the first war of independence i.e. Revolt of 1857 against British Rule.
- **Ans. 111: (B)** The GII 2019 theme is Creating Healthy Lives The Future of Medical Innovation, which aims to explore the role of medical innovation in shaping the future of healthcare.
- **Ans. 112: (D)** The event in New Delhi was co-organised by the Commerce Ministry, WIPO and industry body CII. Switzerland continued to be on top of the index, while Israel made its way into the top ten in the list.
- Ans. 113: (B) Viral Acharya Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has resigned from his position 6 months before the end of his term citing reason as unavoidable personal circumstances.
- **Ans. 114: (E)** The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has cut India's growth forecast for 2019-20 to 7% from its forecast in April of 7.3% on poor demand conditions.



- Ans. 115: (C) Sri Lanka government has approved to issue an on-arrival visa to Indian tourists. The SL government extended the number of countries to 49 adding 10 more countries including India on 24th July 2019.
- Ans. 116: (C) Resolution professionals cannot take up insolvency assignments once they attain the age of 70. From January 1 2020, insolvency professionals are eligible to take up assignments only if they have obtained an 'Authorisation for Assignment' from an Insolvency Professional Agency (IPA).
- Ans. 117: (B) The appointments are done in the posts of departments of Economic Affairs, Power, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Telecom, and Parliamentary Affairs. Secretary for Department of Economic Affairs: Atanu Chakraborty replacing Subhash Chandra Garg.
- Ans. 118: (C) The West Bengal government has stalled PM Fasal Bima Yojana from Kharif 2019 and instead rolled out its own scheme. It is voluntary for states to implement the scheme. The WB government had implemented the schemes during 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19.
- **Ans. 119: (C)** Cloud seeding is a technique of weather modification or artificial rainfall in which chemicals like silver-iodide are sprayed over the sky to increase the precipitation in the region.
- Ans. 120: (C) NCLT is a quasi-judicial body established on 1st June 2016 under the Companies Act,2013 based on the recommendation of the Justice Eradi Committee to adjudicate issues relating to Indian Companies mainly for insolvency resolution process of companies.
- Ans. 121: (B) The Study in India programme will support the objective of increasing the levels of outward student mobility from the UK to India to 13% by 2020 as per the UUKi's "Go International: Stand Out" campaign.
- Ans. 122: (C) The Appointments Committee of the cabinet chaired by PM Modi has re-appointed Badri Narain Sharma as the chairman of the National Anti-profiteering Authority (NAA).
- **Ans. 123: (D)** PMLVMDY is a central scheme for small traders and retailers. Self-employed individuals, retail traders, restaurant and small hotel owners, commission agents, rice mill owners and other small traders are eligible for the scheme.
- Ans. 124: (B) The GST Council has slashed GST on electric vehicles (EVs) to five per cent from 12%. It also reduced the GST on EV chargers from 18% to five per cent. The new rates will be effective from 1st August 2019.
- **Ans. 125: (C)** Ministry of External Affairs said that India follows the charter set up under UN-SPIDER for sharing satellite data and coordinating for rapid response to major disaster situations.
- **Ans. 126: (A)** CRFP is induced with the task to enable the government to maintain rule of law, internal security effectively and public order, to promote social harmony and development, preserve national integrity by upholding the supremacy of the Constitution.



- Ans. 127: (C) PMSBY cover accidents, disability and death resulting from natural calamities and death due to murder is covered under PMSBY whereas death due to suicide is not covered. All individual and even NRIs in the 18-70 year age group with a (single or joint) bank account including are eligible to join PMSBY.
- Ans. 128: (B) BRICS is an informal grouping of five major emerging national economies Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa formed in 2006. Originally the first four countries were grouped as "BRIC" (or "the BRICS"), and after the induction of South Africa in 2010 it became BRICS.
- Ans. 129: (B) The scheme was launched in the year 2001-2002 to mobilize the artisans into SHGs for running the community business enterprise for self-sustainability. The government has identified 90 clusters across the country with the aim of transforming these clusters into self-sustained SHGs within 3 year period.
- Ans. 130: (A) The real interest rate on Indian bonds is attractive as compared to other developed countries, and attracts foreign portfolio investor's interest in Indian government bonds traded locally but they have to take the currency risk investing in rupee-denominated government bonds.
- Ans. 131: (D) Apache is the only combat helicopter with a spectrum of capabilities for any mission requirement with greater thrust and lift, improved survivability, digital operability etc. The US company has delivered around 2200 apache helicopters across the world and India is the 14th nation to receive it.
- Ans. 132: (B) Sohan Lal Commodity Management Pvt. Ltd. (SLCM) is an Agri services solution provider and have operations across India and Myanmar. It is the only company in the warehousing sector to use a propriety technology called "AGRI REACH" that helps in reducing the post-harvest losses.
- Ans. 133: (C) The CoC may recommend the sale of the corporate debtor or sale of the business of the corporate debtor in the process of liquidation. IBBI has now specified to complete all the liquidation processes within one year of its commencement i.e. a model timeline for each liquidation task completion.
- **Ans. 134: (C)** PM Modi will release the results of the 4th cycle of the All India Tiger Estimation. All India Tiger Estimation is conducted by India every 4th year and is said to be the world's largest wildlife survey effort in terms of intensity, coverage of sampling and camera trapping.
- Ans. 135: (C) India-Nepal Logistics Summit was organised in Kathmandu, Nepal on 28 July 2019. It was inaugurated by Prime Minister of Nepal KP Sharma Oli. Theme for Summit was: Transforming Logistics Landscape.
- **Ans. 136: (C)** The census will be conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) in partnership with CSC e-governance Services India Ltd.(CSC SPV) after a gap of 5 years.
- **Ans. 137: (B)** The Games will be conducted in partnership with the Indian Olympic Association, School Games Federation of India. The 3rd edition will be held at Guwahati, Assam.
- Ans. 138: (D) A conclave to deliberate on the problems faced by Himalayan states will be held in the queen of hills on July 28. Being held in Uttarakhand for the first time, it will be attended by the chief ministers of all Himalayan states besides administrators and experts.



- Ans. 139: (A) The conference was hosted by Rajgir, Bihar for the second time and focused on subjects of Nirvana and Sat-Chit-Ananda of Buddhism. The main purpose of the conference was to address people's behaviour towards violence, terror, and global warming in the world.
- **Ans. 140: (C)** The role of the amphibious ship LCU L56 is of deployment, transportation and recovery of main battle tanks, troops, armoured vehicles, and equipment from ship to shore and vice-versa.
- Ans. 141: (B) The expert panel has suggested SEBI provide a code of conduct for the foreign proxy advisors. The domestic proxy firms are regulated presently under SEBI (Research Analysts) Regulations, 2014.
- Ans. 142: (B) Odisha, has received Geographical Indication (GI) tag in GI Registry from Registrar of Geographical Indication. Both Odisha and West Bengal have been contesting origin of rasagola and West Bengal had got GI for 'Banglar Rasagolla' in 2017.
- Ans. 143: (D) Two more MoUs are signed on tele education program e-vidyabharati and Tele medicine initiative e-Arogyabharati. Under these programmes, India is extending free tele-education courses to 15,000 students and telemedicine courses to 1000 doctors and paramedics in Africa.
- Ans. 144: (B) The legislation was passed by the Rajya Sabha on 30th July 2019 with a voice note and was already passed in Lok Sabha on 26th July. The bill made key changes to the spending of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as the companies are mandated to keep unspent money in a special account.
- Ans. 145: (B) India and Myanmar have co-operated closely on matters of security in the past. Both the armies have joined each other on several occasions to root out anti-India insurgent groups.
- **Ans. 146: (D)** ECBs with a minimum average maturity period of 10 years can now be used for working capital purposes and general corporate purposes, the RBI said in a release.
- **Ans. 147: (A)** Rajiv Kumar is a 1984-batch IAS officer from Jharkhand cadre and succeeded 1983 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer Subhash Chandra Garg who has been appointed as the Power secretary.
- Ans. 148: (D) The provisions of the bill make the practice of instant oral talaq or talaq-e-biddat by Muslim men illegal and punishable with a jail term of up to 3 years. The bill was passed in the Lok Sabha on 25th July 2019.