

Expected Questions from January 2019 Current Affairs

1. RBI recently allowed lenders to recast debt of MSMEs with loans of up to _____. – ₹25 crore
2. Which payments bank was recently allowed by RBI to resume account opening service? – **Paytm Payments Bank**
3. Who has been appointed as chairman of Railway Board (Ministry of Railways)? – **Vinod Yadav**
4. Who was recently appointed as the new Chief Information Commissioner? – **Sudhir Bhargava**
5. Who among the following was appointed Madhya Pradesh Chief Secretary? – **Sudhi Ranjan Mohanty**
6. With which country India recently exchanged the lists of civilian prisoners and fishermen in their custody? – **Pakistan**
7. With which country India recently exchanged the list of nuclear installations and facilities? – **Pakistan**
8. Which of the following countries quit the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)? – **USA & Israel**
9. Name the famous Bollywood actor and writer who recently passed away. – **Kader Khan**
10. Who is the chairman of the expert panel constituted by RBI to suggest long-term solutions for the economic and financial sustainability of the MSME sector? – **U K Sinha**
11. RBI recently created an expert panel led by U K Sinha to suggest long-term solutions for the economic and financial sustainability of which sector? – **MSME**
12. Government recently approved to provide what percent of interest subsidy to merchant exporters? – **3**
13. What is the name of the platform launched by ISRO to engage them on space science activities? – **Samwad with Students**
14. Who was recently appointed as interim chairman of Life Insurance Corporation of India? – **Hemant Bhargava**
15. Who has been appointed as the secretary of Competition Commission of India? – **Parmod Kumar Singh**
16. Which of the following P2P Lending platform recently received license from Reserve Bank of India? – **IndiaMoneyMart and RupeeCircle**
17. Which company recently became India's top asset manager? – **HDFC Mutual Funds**
18. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 106th Indian Science Congress at _____. – **Jalandhar, Punjab**
19. What is the theme of the 106th Indian Science Congress? – **Future India: Science and Technology**
20. Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) recently crossed how many LPG connection mark? – **6 crore**
21. Which airport was recently declared as an authorised Immigration Check post for entry into and exit from India? – **Veer Savarkar International Airport in Port Blair**
22. The 4th International Conference on Pharmaceutical & Medical Device sector will be held in _____. – **Bengaluru, Karnataka**
23. Which state government approved the plan to distribute smartphones among youth? – **Punjab**
24. Which state government approved the Online Transfer Policy-2019 of the School Education Department? – **Punjab**
25. Name the spacecraft which has made the first-ever landing on the far side of the moon? – **Chang'e-4 by China**
26. How many countries assumed the charge as the Non-Permanent Members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC)? – **5**
27. Virat Kohli recently broke Sachin Tendulkar's record to become the fastest cricketer to reach _____. – **19,000 international runs**

28. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 12 development projects worth how much amount in Manipur? – **₹1500 crore**
29. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 12 development projects worth Rs 1,500 crore in _____. – **Manipur**
30. Which district recently achieved 100 percent electrification under the Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya Scheme)? – **East Siang District of Arunachal Pradesh**
31. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) asked food businesses to comply with new food packaging regulations by _____. – **July 1, 2019**
32. Who is the chairman of the government constituted task force to look into the issues of suicides of the students in Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas? – **Dr Jitendra Nagpal**
33. Who has been elected as Speaker of the House of Representatives? – **Nancy Pelosi**
34. Name the first woman amputee to climb Mount Vinson, highest peak of Antarctica. – **Arunima Sinha**
35. The first official World Braille Day was observed on _____. – **4 January**
36. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended its customer protection framework in cases of payment frauds or unauthorised transactions to the users of _____. – **Authorised Prepaid Payment Instruments.**
37. Who has become the first businessman to be declared EFO under the provisions of the new Fugitive Economic Offenders Act? – **Vijay Mallya**
38. PM Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for revival of 6 irrigation projects in _____. – **Jharkhand**
39. Which of the following Regional Rural Banks were recently amalgamated into a single RRB? – **Punjab Gramin Bank, Malwa Gramin Bank and Sutlej Gramin Bank**
40. Which of the following bank tied up with Srei Equipment Finance for financing the MSME and agriculture sectors? – **United Bank of India**
41. Who launched the 'Swachh Survekshan 2019'? – **Hardeep Singh Puri**
42. Which city was the Guest of Honor 2019 in the 27th edition of the New Delhi World Book Fair (NDWBF)? – **Sharjah, UAE**
43. Which state will be the partner state in 'Indus Food 2019'? – **Odisha**
44. 'Indus Food 2019' will be held in _____. – **Noida, Uttar Pradesh**
45. National Green Tribunal recently imposed a ₹100 crore fine on which state for failing to curb illegal mining? – **Meghalaya**
46. What amount of fine did National Green Tribunal impose on Meghalaya for failing to curb illegal mining? – **₹100 crore**
47. The 80th National Table Tennis Championship was held in _____. – **Cuttack, Odisha**
48. Which bank recently signed a MoU with Small Business FinCredit India (SBFC) to jointly provide credit to MSMEs? – **ICICI Bank**
49. Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid foundation of six road projects worth 6,000 crore rupees in _____. – **Jodhpur, Rajasthan**
50. How much amount did government allocate to ISRO for development of 40 satellite launch vehicles in next 4-years? – **₹10,900 crore**
51. Name the first railway station of South Central Railway (SCR) zone to hoist a huge tricolour on a 100-foot tall pole. – **Secunderabad Railway Station**
52. 2019 International Kite Festival was held in _____. – **Ahmedabad, Gujarat**
53. The government has notified a High-Level Committee for implementation of Clause six of the Assam Accord. Who is the chairman of the committee? – **MP Bezbaruah**
54. AFC Asian Cup 2019 is hosted by which country? – **United Arab Emirates**
55. India won in AFC Asian Cup 2019 match after 1964 against _____. – **Thailand**

56. King Sultan Muhammad V recently stepped down from the throne. He was the king of _____. - **Malaysia**
57. According to government data, what is the predicted Gross Domestic Product of India for 2018-19? - **7.2%**
58. Which bank announced to buy Gruh Finance in share-swap deal? - **Bandhan Bank**
59. Which state announced to set up the India's largest Integrated Startup Complex? - **Kerala**
60. What percent of reservation did government approve for the economically backward section in the general category? - **10%**
61. Which railways zone launched 'Rail Kumbh Seva Mobile App' for Kumbh Mela? - **North Central Zone**
62. Who won the Best Motion Picture Drama in 2019 Golden Globe Awards? - **Bohemian Rhapsody**
63. Who won the Best Television Series, Drama in 2019 Golden Globe Awards? - **The Americans**
64. Who has been conferred with the lifetime achievement award by the Mantralaya and Vidhimandal Vartahar Sangh? - **Dinu Randive**
65. Which nation recently opened West Asia's largest cathedral? - **Egypt**
66. India recently won the first ever test series against which team? - **Australia**
67. Reserve Bank of India recently announced tokenisation for _____. - **Card Transactions**
68. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has constituted a High-Level Committee on Deepening of Digital Payments to encourage digitisation of payments and enhance financial inclusion. Who is the chairman of the committee? - **Nandan Nilekani**
69. Reserve Bank of India recently constituted Nandan Nilekani Panel for which purpose? - **to strengthen the safety and security of digital payments**
70. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) imposed a ban on single-use plastic items at how many airports? - **129**
71. Which nation recently inaugurated green compound at their embassy in India? - **Norway**
72. Who joined the International Monetary Fund as the first ever woman Chief Economist? - **Gita Gopinath**
73. Global Aviation Summit 2019 was held in _____. - **Mumbai**
74. What was the theme of Global Aviation Summit 2019? - **Flying for all**
75. According to World Bank's January 2019 Global Economic Prospects report India's GDP is expected to grow at _____ for 2018? - **7.3%**
76. According to World Bank's January 2019 Global Economic Prospects report India's GDP is expected to grow at _____ for 2019? - **7.5%**
77. According to World Bank's January 2019 Global Economic Prospects report India's GDP is expected to grow at _____ for 2020? - **7.5%**
78. With which state did Adani Group sign MoU to develop 'world's first green data center parks'? - **Andhra Pradesh**
79. According to Standard Chartered, India is set to become 2nd largest economy by purchasing power parity exchange rates and nominal GDP by _____. - **2030**
80. SEBI has constituted a "Research Advisory" committee to link research to policy making. Who is the head of this committee? - **Sankar De**
81. With which country did India sign a MoU on Ocean Dialogue? - **Norway**
82. Lok Sabha passed bill to provide 10 per cent reservation to EWS in general category. What is the official name of this bill? - **Constitution (124th Amendment) Bill 2019**
83. Indian Space Research Organisation has planned to set up Space Galleries in how many cities? - **3 (Hyderabad, Mumbai and New Delhi)**
84. Which country announced withdrawing from a UN-backed anti-corruption commission? - **Guatemala**
85. Which nation topped the 2019 Henley Passport Index? - **Japan**

86. What was India's rank in Henley Passport Index 2019? – **79th**
87. Which country was announced as 105th Member of International Cricket Council (ICC)? – **USA**
88. Which nation will host the 2019 Africa Cup of Nations? – **Egypt**
89. GST Council increased the GST exemption limit for companies in the MSME sector to those with an annual turnover of _____. – **₹40 lakh**
90. GST Council increased the GST exemption limit for companies in the MSME sector from North East to those with an annual turnover of _____. – **₹20 lakh**
91. Which ministry launched the 'Web - Wonder Women' also known as '#www'? – **Ministry of Women and Child Development**
92. Women and Child Development Ministry launched '#www: WebWonderWomen' Campaign in partnership with _____. – **Breakthrough and Twitter India**
93. Government has approved the establishment of three more All India Institute of Medical Sciences, AIIMS in _____? – **Jammu & Kashmir and Gujarat(Rajkot)**
94. Government has approved the establishment of how many more All India Institute of Medical Sciences, AIIMS? – **3**
95. World Hindi Day is celebrated on _____. – **10 January**
96. Who became the World No 1 Boxer in 45-48 kg category in the latest International Boxing Association's (AIBA) World Rankings? – **MC Mary Kom**
97. The International Cricket Council (ICC) announced giving a 15-day amnesty to _____ cricketers to report match-fixing approaches? – **Sri Lankan**
98. According to the new guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India, Gold Monetisation Scheme can be availed by _____. – **Charitable Institutes, State/Central Govts and entities owned by State/Central govt.**
99. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has agreed to provide USD 400 million under a swap arrangement to _____. – **Central Bank of Sri Lanka**
100. Reserve Bank of India recently imposed a ₹3 crore penalty on which bank? – **Citibank India**
101. Which of the following bank has launched a current account with auto-sweep facility? – **Jana Small Finance Bank**
102. Which bank recently tied up with Kia Motors to enter into a strategic financing partnership? – **YES Bank**
103. With which car manufacturer YES Bank signed a MoU to enter into a strategic financing partnership? – **Kia Motors**
104. Which bank recently tied up with NASSCOM to provide customised credit solutions to micro, small and medium enterprises? – **RBL Bank**
105. With whom did RBL Bank tie up to provide customised credit solutions to micro, small and medium enterprises? – **NASSCOM**
106. Who recently resigned from chairman position in National Stock Exchange? – **Ashok Chawla**
107. How many states recently signed a Mou with central government for Renukaji Dam Multipurpose Project? – **6** (Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Delhi, Rajasthan and Uttarakhand)
108. Who launched the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP)? – **Dr Harsh Vardhan**
109. The National Clean Air Program (NCAP) aims to cut pollution in the 102 worst affected cities by 20-30 percent by _____. – **2024**
110. Who has been named as a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)? – **T C A Anant**
111. Who was recently appointed as Prime Minister of Taiwan? – **Su Tseng-chang**

112. Who was recently appointed as deputy national security advisor of United States of America?
– **Charles Kupperman**
113. Who has been named Chef de Mission for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics? – **Birendra Prasad Baishya**
114. Who received the honorary membership of the Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG) for their contribution to the sport of cricket? – **Ravi Shashtri and Virat Kohli**
115. Who has been appointed as non-executive part-time chairman of YES Bank? – **Brahm Dutt**
116. Who has been appointed as an additional and independent director of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)? – **Daniel Houghes Callahan**
117. Who inaugurated the 25th edition of Partnership Summit 2019? – **Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu**
118. Partnership Summit 2019 was held in _____. – **Mumbai**
119. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) is setting up a 'Human Space Flight Centre' in _____.
– **Bengaluru**
120. Who launched the National Youth Parliament Festival 2019? – **Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore**
121. National Youth Parliament Festival 2019 was recently held in _____. – **New Delhi**
122. Macedonia recently changed its official name to _____. – **Republic of North Macedonia**
123. National Youth Day 2019 was celebrated across India on _____. – **12 January**
124. RBI recently fined ₹1 crore to which financial organisation for deficiencies in regulatory compliance? – **Bajaj Finance**
125. Who is the chairman of the newly constituted committee to look into GST revenue shortfall faced by states? – **Sushil Modi**
126. Name the first state to implement 10 per cent quota for EWS in general category. – **Gujarat**
127. Which state/UT government has decided to ban the production, sale and use of single-use plastic products from March 1, 2019? – **Puducherry**
128. Who launched the special weather services for Kumbh Mela? – **Dr Harshvardhan**
129. PM Narendra Modi recently released a commemorative silver coin of Rs 350 on _____. – **Guru Govind Singh Ji**
130. The bill which gives economically weaker general category 10% reservation in jobs and education is official known as _____. – **Constitution (103rd Amendment) Act, 2019**
131. Who was conferred with the first-ever Philip Kotler Presidential Award? – **PM Narendra Modi**
132. PM Narendra Modi was recently conferred with the first ever _____. – **Philip Kotler Presidential Award**
133. Who has won the Sushila Devi Literature Award 2018? – **Namita Gokhale**
134. Namita Gokhale has won the Sushila Devi Literature Award for her novel _____. – **"Things to Leave Behind"**
135. Which Space Telescope has been shut down after it encountered a hardware problem? – **NASA's Hubble**
136. Name the first Hindu elected to US Congress to run for President in 2020. – **Tulsi Gabbard**
137. Mohammed Zulfikaruddin, who recently passed away was associated with which sports? – **Football**
138. How much amount did government allocated to Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, MGNREGA? – **6 thousand 84 crore rupees**
139. Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme 2018-19 opened on January, 2019 with series _____. – **V**
140. What is the issue price of Sovereign Gold Bond Scheme 2018-19 (Series-V)? – **₹3,214/gm**
141. PM Narendra Modi launched development projects worth over Rs 1500 crore in _____. – **Odisha**

142. Name the initiative launched by Government to enable women entrepreneurs and Women Self-Help Groups (WSHGs) to sell handicrafts, handloom, accessories, and other products directly to Government departments and institutions. – **Womaniya on Government e Marketplace' initiative**
143. Which state government recently signed a MoU with UKIBC on Ease of doing business between UK and India? – **Maharashtra**
144. India's first ever 100 percent smart electric fleet of taxis namely Blu-Smart was launched in _____. – **Delhi, NCR**
145. Which state government recently launched 'One Family, One Job' scheme? – **Sikkim**
146. Which city police inducted a road safety robot 'ROADEO' into service? – **Chennai**
147. Abhinav Shaw is associated with which sports? – **Shooting**
148. Name the youngest gold medallist in Khelo games. – **Abhinav Shaw**
149. 71st Army Day was celebrated across India on _____. – **15 January**
150. The Cabinet approved an increase in the authorized capital of EXIM Bank from Rs 10,000 crore to _____. – **₹20,000 crore**
151. Who is the secretary of the government constituted Group of Ministers (GoM) for boosting the Real Estate Sector under the GST regime? – **Manish Sinha**
152. Which bank has agreed to provide finance for Nagpur-Mumbai 'Samruddhi Corridor' expressway project? – **State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank, Bank of Baroda, Bank of Maharashtra**
153. The 9th International Micro irrigation conference was held in _____. – **Aurangabad, Maharashtra**
154. Which state government launched the Rs 50000-crore farm debt-waiver scheme named 'Jai Kisan Rin Mukti Yojana'? – **Madhya Pradesh**
155. 1st Turtle Festival was recently celebrated in _____. – **Puri, Odisha**
156. 1st Turtle Festival was celebrated in Puri, Odisha to create awareness and promote ideas on conservation of _____. – **Ridley Turtles**
157. 'IMBEX 2018-19' is a joint military exercise between India and _____. – **Myanmar**
158. Which state approved schemes worth over Rs 700 crore for financial welfare of OBCs and the SC/ST communities? – **Maharashtra**
159. Who was elected as Speaker of the 15th Legislative Assembly of Rajasthan? – **C P Joshi**
160. Who won the Gandhi Peace Prize award for 2015 for rural development and education? – **Vivekananda Kendra**
161. Who won the Gandhi Peace Prize award for 2016 for its work towards emancipation of manual scavengers? – **Akshay Patra Foundation and Sulabh International**
162. Who won the Gandhi Peace Prize award for 2017 for its contribution to education for rural and tribal children? – **Ekai Abhiyan Trust**
163. Who won the Gandhi Peace Prize award for 2018? – **WHO Goodwill Ambassador Yohei Sasakawa for his role in leprosy eradication**
164. Who became world's youngest mountaineer to climb 7 peaks, 7 volcano summits? – **Satyarup Siddhanta**
165. Which state topped the Khelo India Youth Games medal tally? – **Maharashtra**
166. Which city was ranked 1 in City Momentum Index? – **Bengaluru**
167. The Reserve Bank of India has rationalised the overseas borrowing norms allowing a uniform borrowing limit of _____ a year across tenors. – **₹750 million**
168. What amount of penalty did RBI impose on Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) for non-compliance of Know Your Customer guidelines? – **₹1 crore**
169. Who inaugurated the 10th edition of the India Rubber Expo – 2019? – **Suresh Prabhu**

170. The 10th edition of the India Rubber Expo – 2019 was recently held in _____. – **Mumbai**
171. What does PMRPY stand for? – **Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Protsahan Yojana**
172. Which scheme recently crossed the milestone of one crore beneficiaries? – **Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Protsahan Yojana**
173. Name the recently launched capacity building programme on nanosatellite development by ISRO. – **UNNATI**
174. UNNATI which is a capacity building programme on nanosatellite development by ISRO stands for _____. – **UNISpace Nano-satellite Assembly and Training by ISRO**
175. First Eklavya Model Residential Schools National Sports Meet was recently held in _____. – **Hyderabad**
176. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has imposed a penalty on the Chemists and Druggists Association of _____. – **Baroda**
177. The Ministry of Finance on January 16, 2019 constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM) on issues relating to lottery. Who is the chairman of the GoM? – **Sudhir Mungantiwar, Finance Minister, Maharashtra**
178. Who among the following was recently appointed Judge to the Supreme Court of India? – **Dinesh Maheshwari and Sanjiv Khanna**
179. Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit 2019 was held in _____. – **Gandhinagar**
180. What was the theme of the Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit 2019? – **Youth Connect 2019: Shaping A New India – The Story of Billion Dreams**
181. How many countries were the partner countries in Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit 2019? – **15**
182. What amount of loan agreement India and Japan-India Cooperative Actions (JICA) signed for the Construction of Chennai Peripheral Ring Road? – **₹2470 crore**
183. What amount of loan agreement India and Japan-India Cooperative Actions (JICA) signed for Cooperative Actions towards Sustainable Development Goals in India? – **₹950 crore**
184. Which company recently announced to build India's first lithium ion factory with LIBCOIN? – **Bharat Heavy Electricals**
185. Agri Vision 2019 Conference on envisioning Agro solutions for Smart and Sustainable Agriculture was held in _____. – **Hyderabad**
186. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Museum of Indian Cinema (NMIC) in _____. – **Mumbai**
187. The development of the National Museum of Indian Cinema was guided by the Museum Advisory Committee headed by _____. – **Shyam Benegal**
188. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated India's first private Howitzer-manufacturing facility in _____. – **Hazira, Gujarat**
189. Which institute has announced the launch of India's first dedicated bachelor's programme in Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology? – **IIT-Hyderabad**
190. The second World Orange Festival 2019 was held in _____. – **Nagpur**
191. Regional Conference on 'Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme' was held in _____. – **Mumbai**
192. Who has been appointed as the MD and CEO of IDFC First Bank? – **V Vaidyanathan**
193. Who was recently appointed as the 26th Chief Justice of Pakistan? – **Justice Asif Saeed Khosa**
194. Who recently became the first Indian athlete to be nominated for the prestigious Laureus World Comeback of the Year Award? – **Vinesh Phogat (Wrestler)**
195. How many quarterly surveys of manufacturing, services, infra sectors did RBI recently introduced? – **2**

196. RBI recently launched 2 surveys, one is Industrial Outlook Survey (IOS) and the other is _____.
– **Services and Infrastructure Outlook Survey (SIOS)**
197. Which bank recently launched premium savings account for men? – **ICICI Bank**
198. What is the name of the premium savings account for men launched by ICICI Bank? – **The One**
199. Which central bank has banned the use of Indian currency notes of Rs 2,000, Rs 500 and Rs 200 denominations? – **Nepal Central Bank**
200. Nepal's central bank has banned the use of Indian currency notes of which denomination(s)?
– **₹2000, ₹500 and ₹200**
201. As per January World Economy Outlook of International Monetary Fund, what is the expected GDP growth of India for 2019? – **7.5%**
202. As per January World Economy Outlook of International Monetary Fund, what is the expected GDP growth of India for 2020? – **7.7%**
203. Which state announced to set up a start-up fund with a corpus of Rs 250 crore for investments in start-up businesses? – **Tamil Nadu**
204. How much amount of Start-up Fund did Tamil Nadu recently announce to launch? – **₹250 crore**
205. Government announced that Aadhaar Cards are now valid travel documents for Indians under 15 and over 65 years travelling to _____. – **Bhutan and Nepal**
206. The 15th edition of the Pravasi Bhartiya Divas (PBD) was recently held in _____. – **Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh**
207. Nirmala Sitharam recently launched India's second defence industrial corridor in _____. – **Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu**
208. The 2nd World Integrated Medicine Forum 2019 on the Regulation of Homeopathic Medical Products was recently held in _____. – **Goa**
209. What was India's rank in the global talent competitive index 2019? – **80**
210. Which country topped the 2019 global talent competitive index? – **Switzerland**
211. Who won the International Tennis Federation's 25,000-dollar Women's tournament in Singapore? – **Ankita Raina**
212. Ankita Raina is associated with which sports? – **Tennis**
213. Which city has been named as first World Capital of Architecture for 2020 by UNESCO? – **Rio De Janeiro, Brazil**
214. Who has been chosen for the first Sheikh Saud International Prize for Materials Research by the Centre for Advanced Materials of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)? – **Chintamani Nagesa Ramachandra Rao**
215. Which bank has partnered with Government of Maharashtra to on-board PDS shops which are popularly referred to as ration shops? – **YES Bank**
216. With which state did YES Bank partner to on-board PDS shops which are popularly referred to as ration shops? – **Maharashtra**
217. The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India recently organised an Insolvency and Bankruptcy Awareness Programme at _____. – **Vadodara, Gujarat**
218. How many MoUs did India sign in January, 2019 with Afghanistan? – **11**
219. India has recently signed 11 MoUs with Afghanistan worth _____. – **\$9.5 million**
220. The 4th edition of 'India Steel 2019 - Exhibition & Conference' was held in _____. – **Mumbai, Maharashtra**
221. Nitin Gadkari inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of 39 National Highways Projects in _____. – **Andhra Pradesh**
222. How many national highways projects did Nitin Gadkari inaugurate in Andhra Pradesh? – **39**

223. The National Women's Party (NWP), which has been formed with the motto of women empowerment, was launched in _____. – **Mumbai, Maharashtra**
224. Who is the founder of India's first National Women's Party? – **Dr Shwetha Shetty**
225. The Government on January 21, 2019 constituted a Standing Committee headed by NITI Aayog to _____. – **monitor drug prices**
226. The Government on January 21, 2019 constituted a Standing Committee headed by NITI Aayog to oversee the drug pricing regime. Who will head the standing committee? – **V K Paul**
227. Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas is observed on _____. – **9 January**
228. Who was the chief guest of the 15th Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas? – **Mauritian Prime Minister Pravind Jugnauth**
229. What is the theme of the 15th Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas? - '**Role of Indian diaspora in building new India**
230. Who has been awarded with Saraswati Samman, 2017? – **Noted Gujarati poet Sitanshu Yashashchandra for Vakhar**
231. Who became the first cricketer to win all the top three ICC individual awards? – **Virat Kohli**
232. Who won the 2018 Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy for ICC Cricketer of the Year? – **Virat Kohli**
233. Who won the 2018 ICC Men's Test Player of the Year? – **Virat Kohli**
234. Who won the 2018 ICC ODI Player of the Year? – **Virat Kohli**
235. Who won the Twenty20 International Performance of the Year 2018? – **Aaron Finch**
236. Who won the 2018 ICC's Emerging Cricketer of the Year award? – **Rishabh Pant**
237. Who won the 2018 ICC Women's Cricketer of the Year? – **Smriti Mandhana**
238. The Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved setting up of a centralised GST AAAR. What does AAAR stand for? – **Appellate Authority for Advance Ruling**
239. India will surpass China to become the second largest oil demand growth centre globally in 2019 on back of buoyant auto fuel and LPG consumption, as per a report by _____. – **Wood Mackenzie**
240. What is the expected GDP growth of India for 2019 as per United Nations' World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2019 report? – **7.4%**
241. What is the expected GDP growth of India for 2020 as per United Nations' World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2019 report? – **7.6%**
242. What is the expected GDP growth of India for 2021 as per United Nations' World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2019 report? – **7.4%**
243. Who launched the Pravasi Teerth Darshan Yojana? – **PM Narendra Modi**
244. What is the name of the largest-ever coastal defence exercise conducted by Indian Navy? – **Sea Vigil**
245. How much amount did Maharashtra Government approve for Nirbhaya scheme for Mumbai? – **₹235 crore**
246. PM Narendra Modi inaugurated Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose museum at _____. – **Red Fort, New Delhi**
247. Cabinet has approved the landmark amendment to _____ of the Constitution to increase powers of Autonomous Councils in Sixth Schedule areas of North East. – **Article 280**
248. Who inaugurated the 2nd World Integrated Medicine Forum 2019? – **Union Minister of State for Ayush Shripad Naik**
249. 2nd World Integrated Medicine Forum 2019 was recently held in _____. – **Panaji, Goa**
250. Who was awarded with Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar for 2018? – **8th Battalion of National Disaster Response Force located at Ghaziabad**

251. Who was recently appointed as the Member of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)? – **Indu Shekhar Jha**
252. Priyanka Gandhi Vadra was on January 23, 2019 appointed AICC general secretary for _____.
– **Uttar Pradesh East**
253. With which country US successfully tested ballistic missile interceptors? – **Israel**
254. National Girl Child Day is observed across India on _____. – **24 January**
255. What was the theme of 2019 National Girl Child Day? – **'Empowering Girls for a Brighter Tomorrow'**
256. Raghbir Singh Bhola, who recently passed away, was related to which sports? – **Hockey**
257. Who recently tied up with Etihad Guest to launch premium card for international travel? –
SBI Card
258. Which company recently signed a MoU worth ₹1500 crore investments with Tamil Nadu? –
Royal Enfield
259. With which state did Royal Enfield sign a MoU worth ₹1500 crore investments? – **Tamil Nadu**
260. Nitin Gadkari laid foundation stones for two highway projects worth Rs 1,600 cr in _____. –
Mumbai, Maharashtra
261. Nitin Gadkari laid foundation stones for two highway projects worth how much in Maharashtra? – **₹1600 crore**
262. Name the indigenously developed anti-radar missile recently tested by India. – **Next Generation Anti-Radiation Missile (NGARM)**
263. Name the first ever student made satellite launched by ISRO in January, 2019. – **KALAMSAT**
264. What is the name of the world's lightest satellite which was launched by ISRO recently? –
KALAMSAT
265. Name the Maldivian defence minister who recently visited India. – **Mariya Ahmed Didi**
266. Navy Chief Admiral Sunil Lanba commissioned the new Naval Air Base 'INS Kohassa' at _____.
– **Andaman and Nicobar Islands**
267. National Declamation Contest on Patriotism and Nation Building was recently held in _____. – **New Delhi**
268. Who recently inaugurated National Declamation Contest on Patriotism and Nation Building?
– **Col. Rajyavardhan Rathore**
269. Union Minister for Science & Technology Dr. Harsh Vardhan inaugurated Technology Mission Centre on Solar Energy & Water Treatment in _____. – **IIT Madras, Chennai**
270. Who inaugurated Technology Mission Centre on Solar Energy & Water Treatment in Chennai?
– **Dr. Harsh Vardhan**
271. Election Commission of India (ECI) hosted an International Conference on 'Making Elections Inclusive and Accessible' at _____. – **New Delhi**
272. Which bank has been given away the Atal Pension Yojana Award for promoting the scheme across the country? – **Central Bank of India**
273. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of YES Bank?
– **Ravneet Gill**
274. Who has been appointed as advisor to Jammu and Kashmir Governor? – **Skandan Krishnan**
275. Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of Lakshmi Vilas Bank? – **Parthasarathi Mukherjee**
276. Who has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of IndiGo? – **Ronojoy Dutta**
277. National Voters' Day is observed on _____. – **25 January**
278. What was the theme of 2019 National Voters' Day? – **No Voter To Be Left Behind**
279. First ever International Day of Education was observed on _____. – **24 January, 2019**

280. What was the theme of 2019 International Day of Education? – **Education: A Key Driver for Inclusion and Empowerment**
281. Uttar Pradesh celebrated its 69th foundation day on _____. – **24 January, 2019**
282. Who among the following has been awarded with Bharat Ratna Award for 2018? – **Nanaji Deshmukh**
283. Who among the following has been awarded with Bharat Ratna Award for 2018? – **Pranab Mukherjee**
284. Who among the following has been awarded with Bharat Ratna Award for 2018? – **Bhupen Hazarika**
285. Which country's president was recently awarded with Padma Vibhushan 2018? – **Djibouti president Ismail Omer Guelleh**
286. Name the first foreign bank to set up wholly owned subsidiary in India. – **SBM Bank**
287. SBM Bank (India) Ltd became the first foreign bank to set up wholly owned subsidiary in India. SBM Bank is originally headquartered at _____. – **Port Louis, Mauritius**
288. Which organisation has been awarded the 'Best Banking Tech' of the year for its world-class Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) switch platform? – **Sarvatra Technologies**
289. The Supreme Court on January 25, 2019 upheld the constitutional validity of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC). Who headed the bench? – **Justice R F Nariman**
290. Government launched new reforms and guidelines for Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) to align it with _____. – **National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF)**
291. Government has recently decided to renovate and develop how many abandoned airstrips across the country to strengthen air-connectivity? – **400**
292. With which state government signed the first MoU to develop the abandoned airstrip? – **Jharkhand (Dhalbumgarh Airstrip)**
293. Name the South African cricketer who has announced his immediate retirement from all forms of cricket. – **Johan Botha**
294. Johan Botha is associated with which sports? – **Cricket**
295. Which country recently cloned 5 gene-edited monkeys? – **China**
296. Name the eminent Hindi author and poet who recently passed away. – **Krishna Sobti**
297. India's fastest indigenous train was recently renamed to _____. – **Vande Bharat Express**
298. Which train was recently renamed as Vande Bharat Express? – **Train 18**
299. Which state announced the launch of the 'Yuva Swabhiman Yojana' for youths from the economically weaker sections in urban areas? – **Madhya Pradesh**
300. Which state announced to launch 'Pravasi Dividend Pension Scheme' to provide regular pension to Non Residents of the state? – **Kerala**
301. Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for All India Institutes of Medical Sciences, AIIMS at _____. – **Madurai, Tamil Nadu**
302. Which contingent created history this year by participating for the first time in a Republic Day parade? – **All Women Assam Rifles**
303. Who led the all-women Assam Rifles contingent which created history this year by participating for the first time in a Republic Day parade? – **Captain Shikha Surabhi**
304. Which zone has bagged the number one position for cleanliness in the country in the Premium Category trains in the recent Trains Cleanliness Survey conducted by IRCTC? – **Southern Railway**
305. Who has been appointed the South-East Asia regional director of the World Health Organization (WHO)? – **Poonam Khetrapal Singh**
306. Who won the Men's Single Title in Australian Open 2018? – **Novak Djokovic**

307. Novak Djokovic won the Men's Single Title in Australian Open 2018 by defeating whom? – **Rafael Nadal**
308. Who won the Women's Single Title in Australian Open 2018? – **Naomi Osaka**
309. Naomi Osaka won the Women's Single Title in Australian Open 2018 by defeating whom? – **Petra Kvitova**
310. Who won the Indonesia Masters 2019 title? – **Saina Nehwal**
311. Who was the chief guest of 70th Republic Day? – **South African President Cyril Ramaphosa**
312. International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust is observed on _____. – **27 January**
313. What was the theme of International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust 2019? – **Holocaust Remembrance: Demand and Defend Your Human Right**
314. World Leprosy Day 2019 was observed on _____. – **27 January**
315. World Leprosy Day is observed on _____. – **Last Sunday of January**
316. What was the theme of World Leprosy Day 2019? – **ending discrimination, stigma and prejudice**
317. How many banks recently announced to launch the country's first blockchain-linked funding for small and medium enterprises (SME)? – **11 (ICICI, AXIS, HDFC, Kotak Mahindra, YES Bank, Standard Chartered, RBL, South Indian Bank, IndusInd Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda)**
318. India's eleven largest banks to launch the country's first blockchain-linked funding for _____. – **Small and Medium Enterprises**
319. As per the RBI Report, by what percent did India's FDI inflow grow? – **18%**
320. In Finance, what does ODI stand for? – **Overseas Direct Investments**
321. With which organisation did India sign credit facility framework agreement for Pune Metro? – **French Development Agency**
322. Who has signed an agreement with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to train its workforce? – **Renault-Nissan Alliance**
323. Which state recently launched a credit-linked subsidy scheme for farmers? – **Assam**
324. Which bank signed a MoU with Stock Holding Corporation of India to facilitate its global customer base to invest in India? – **Doha Bank**
325. Which country signed the protocol for exports of Indian tobacco leaves? – **China**
326. India recently signed agreement with OECD for participation in _____. – **Programme for International Student Assessment- PISA 2021**
327. Which state launched the scheme Atal Construction Workers Awas Yojana (Rural)? – **Maharashtra**
328. Name the world's biggest cyclothon which recently concluded. – **Swasth 'Bharat Yatra'**
329. Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated four-lane 5.1-kilometer long "Atal Setu" in _____. – **Panaji, Goa**
330. Who launched a mobile app 'RDP India 2019' on the Republic Day? – **Ministry of Defence**
331. Who was recently banned from bowling in international cricket by the International Cricket Council (ICC)? – **Ambati Rayudu**
332. Which country was stripped of the right to host the 2019 World Para Swimming Championships? – **Malaysia**
333. Which state recently got their first Astro Turf Football Pitch? – **Nagaland**
334. Who recently became the youngest player in international cricket to hit a half-century? – **Rohit Paudel (Nepal)**
335. Who won the first prize for the state tableau in Republic Day 2019? – **Tripura**

336. International Customs Day 2019 was observed globally on _____. – **26 January**
337. What was the theme of International Customs Day 2019? – **SMART borders for seamless Trade, Travel and Transport.**
338. Data Privacy & Protection Day is observed on _____. – **28 January**
339. What was the theme of Data Privacy & Protection Day 2019? – **A New Era in Privacy**
340. Name the former defence minister who recently passed away. – **George Fernandes**
341. Which country recently became the second largest steel producer in the world? – **India**
342. Whom did India overtake to become the second largest steel producer in the world? – **Japan**
343. Which country is the largest steel producer in the world? – **China**
344. Which bank recently launched co-branded credit card with PAYBACK? – **IndusInd Bank**
345. Government recently approved the additional Central assistance from National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) of _____. – **₹7,214.03 crore**
346. High Level Committee recently approved Central assistance of Rs 7,214.03 crore to how many states? – **6**
347. Which ministry recently announced to set up the 'Safety Directorate'? – **Ministry of Steel**
348. Who inaugurated the first project under the Swadesh Darshan Project of the Union Ministry of Tourism in Sikkim? – **K J Alphons**
349. The first project under the Swadesh Darshan Project of the Union Ministry of Tourism was inaugurated in _____. – **Gangtok, Sikkim**
350. Which is Oxford Dictionary's Hindi Word Of The Year 2018? – **Nari Shakti**
351. Who received the Award of Excellence for 'Best in Show' at the recently concluded New York Times Travel Show 2019? – **India**
352. Who won the Sahitya Akademi Awards 2018 for Hindi? – **Chitra Mudgal**
353. Who has become the first Hindu woman in Pakistan to be appointed as a civil judge? – **Suman Kumari**
354. Martyr's Day is observed across India on _____. – **30 January**
355. What does REITs stand for? – **Real Estate Investment Trusts**
356. What does InvITs stand for? – **Infrastructure Investment Trusts**
357. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank announced to provide local currency financing in which countries? – **India, Pakistan and Indonesia**
358. 15th Finance Commission announced the formation of a committee headed _____ to find ways to settle the food account of Rs 31,000 crore. – **Ramesh Chand**
359. Government announced on January 28, 2019 that the GST on Haj has been reduced from 18 per cent to _____. – **5%**
360. Which state recently approved the construction of longest expressway in the world? – **Uttar Pradesh**
361. What is the name of the recently approved longest expressway in the world? – **Ganga Expressway**
362. Which state launched a special scheme to curb infant deaths? – **Maharashtra**
363. Which railways recently provided Segways to RPF for the first time in India? – **Western Railways**
364. Who has been appointed as the chairperson of the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image (MAMI)? – **Deepika Padukone**
365. What was India's rank in the 2018 Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI)? – **78th**
366. Which country topped the 2018 Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI)? – **Denmark**
367. Which country recently launched digital currency called 'Aber'? – **UAE and Saudi Arabia**
368. UAE, Saudi Arabian central banks launched common digital currency called _____. – **Aber**