

Expected Questions From Current Affairs August 2018

1. What is the current Repo Rate of RBI according to the third Bi-Monthly Monetary policy? – **6.50 per cent**
2. What is the current Reverse Repo Rate according to the third Bi-Monthly Monetary policy? – **6.25 per cent**
3. The Repo Rate was _____ by Reserve Bank of India in its third Bi-Monthly Monetary policy. – **Increased by 25 bps**
4. RBI in its 3rd Bi-monthly Monetary Policy, said that the models suggests FY20 real GDP growth will range from _____. – **7.4 to 7.9%**
5. The government has approved Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) proposal to acquire 51 per cent stake in which bank? – **IDBI Bank**
6. The government has approved Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) proposal to acquire what per cent stake in IDBI Bank? – **51**
7. Startup India Yatra began on July 30, 2018 in _____. – **Raipur, Chhattisgarh**
8. With which of the following organisation did the Common Service Centres (CSC) scheme sign a MoU under the Digital India Programme? – **National Health Agency**
9. Which of the following ministry is celebrating Swachhta Pakhwada from August 1 to 15, 2018 under the Swachh Bharat Mission Programme? – **Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports**
10. Who among the following was re-appointed as a Non-Executive Director on the board of the country's largest mortgage lender HDFC? – **Deepak Parekh**
11. Who among the following was appointed as non-official independent director in Air India? – **Kumar Mangalam Birla and Y C Deveshwar**
12. Scientists have discovered a new shape called _____. – **scutoid**
13. With which of the following bank did Reliance sign a MoU to integrate its MyJio platform with the banks app? – **State Bank of India**
14. With which of the following company did SBI announce signing of an MoU to integrate their app in SBI YONO App? – **Reliance Jio**
15. Reliance Jio recently signed a MoU with SBI to integrate MyJio Platform with which app? – **SBI YONO**
16. Reserve Bank of India, in August, 2018 asked which of the following payment banks to stop enrolling new customers? – **Fino Payments bank and Paytm Payments Bank**
17. Union Cabinet approved the first extension of CFS to support Indian Entities bidding for strategically important infrastructure projects abroad. What does CFS stand for? – **Concessional Financing Scheme**
18. Union Cabinet recently approved the proposal for restructuring of which of the following body? – **Agricultural Scientists 'Recruitment Board (ASRB)**
19. The Indigenously developed AAD Interceptor Missile was on August 2, 2018 successfully test fired from Abdul Kalam Island. What does AAD stand for? – **Advanced Air Defence**
20. NITI Aayog has launched a global mobility hackathon to crowdsource solutions aimed at the future of mobility in India named _____. – **Move Hack**
21. With which of the following nation did India in August, 2018 sign a MoU for cooperation in sustainable urban development? – **Germany**
22. Which of the following ministry launched Seva Bhoj Yojna scheme? – **Ministry of Culture**
23. What is the name of the scheme launched to reimburse central share of CGST and IGST on food, prasad, langar or bhandara offered by religious and charitable institutions? – **Seva Bhoj Yojna**
24. What is the total outlay of Seva Bhoj Yojna scheme? – **₹325 crore**
25. Which of the following state police recently introduced 'Facial Recognition System'? – **Telangana Police**
26. Which of the following state approved a proposal to set up 55 courts under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act in the state? – **Rajasthan**
27. The government has approved what amount as Extra Budgetary Resources (EBR) for Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM (G)) during the financial year 2018-19 through NABARD? – **₹15000 crore**
28. The Union Cabinet approved raising funds up to Rs 15000 crore as Extra Budgetary Resources (EBR) for Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin) (SBM (G)) during the financial year 2018-19 through which organisation? – **NABARD**

29. The CCEA approved the proposal for opening of 13 new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) in how many states? – **7**
30. Which of the following state topped the 'State Energy Efficiency Preparedness Index' 2018? – **Kerala**
31. India's first 'State Energy Efficiency Preparedness Index' was prepared by NITI Aayog and _____. – **Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)**
32. Which nation launched Gaofen-11, an optical remote sensing satellite, as part of the country's high-resolution Earth observation project? – **China**
33. Which of the following sport is set to be added to Indian contingent for next month's Asian Games in Indonesia following Delhi High Court orders? – **Boat Racing**
34. Name the Noted ghazal singer and composer from Kerala who recently passed away. – **Umbayee**
35. Name the veteran screenplay writer who recently passed away. – **Jalees Sherwani**
36. With which of the following state did Tech Mahindra sign a MoU to launch India's first Blockchain district? – **Telangana**
37. Which organisation recently signed a MoU with the State Bank of India (SBI) for getting Long Term Unsecured Loan of Rs 25000 crore? – **National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)**
38. With which of the following bank did National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) sign a MoU for getting Long Term Unsecured Loan of Rs 25000 crore? – **State Bank of India**
39. How much amount of Long Term Unsecured Loan agreement did NHAI sign with SBI for? – **₹25,000 crore**
40. Which of the following state hosted the Fifth Act East Business Show? – **Meghalaya**
41. Name the first public company in history to reach a \$1 trillion market value? – **Apple**
42. Which state government approved Mukhyamantri Yuva Nestam, an unemployment allowance scheme to provide Rs 1000 per month to unemployed youth in state? – **Andhra Pradesh**
43. Kadaknath chicken meat has recently received Geographical Indication (GI) tag. It is originated in which state? – **Madhya Pradesh**
44. The first ever dragonfly festival was held in _____. – **New Delhi**
45. Which of the following organisation was appointed as financial advisor by IDBI Bank to vet LIC's acquisition proposal? – **RBSA Advisors**
46. India's first Skill Museum was inaugurated in which of the following state? – **Odisha**
47. India's first Skill Museum was inaugurated in which of the following city? – **Cuttack**
48. Which of the following state police formed its first all-women battalion with 578 members on August 1, 2018? – **Kerala**
49. Who won the World Championships' women's singles title 2018? – **Carolina Marin**
50. Carolina Marin won the World Championships' women's singles title 2018 by defeating _____. – **P V Sindhu**
51. Who among the following broke Michael Phelps's record in the 100-meter butterfly? – **Clark Kent Apuada**
52. The Lok Sabha on August 3, 2018 passed the National Sports University Bill, 2018 that seeks to establish a National Sports University in _____. – **Manipur**
53. Which of the following nation was elected as the President of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD)? – **India**
54. Researchers from which nation have claimed to have created the world's first single-chromosome yeast? – **China**
55. The world's first-ever thermal battery plant was unveiled in which state? – **Andhra Pradesh**
56. Super bike manufacturer Benelli signed a MoU with which state to set up manufacturing unit in the state in partnership? – **Telangana**
57. Goods and Services Tax Council on August 4, 2018 formed a Group of Ministers (GoM) to address various issues faced by small businesses. Who will head the panel? – **Shiv Pratap Shukla**
58. Goods and Services Tax Council on August 4, 2018 formed a Group of Ministers (GoM) headed by Minister of State for Finance Shiv Pratap Shukla for which purpose? – **to address various issues faced by small businesses**
59. Who among the following launched Startup Academia Alliance programme? – **Startup India**
60. Name the unique mentorship opportunity between academic scholars and startups working in similar domains launched by StartUp India. – **Startup Academia Alliance programme**
61. Raksha Mantri Nirmala Sitharaman launched defence India start up challenge in which city? – **Bengaluru**
62. Which of the following state has banned the commercial use of elephants in the state? – **Uttarakhand**

63. How many research projects under 'IMPRINT-2' scheme were approved by the government of India? – **122**
64. Which of the following station was renamed as Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction Railway station? – **Mughalsarai Railway Junction of Uttar Pradesh**
65. The iconic Mughalsarai Railway Junction of Uttar Pradesh was on August 5, 2018 renamed as _____. – **Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction Railway station**
66. NITI Aayog's International Conference on "Sustainable Growth through Material Recycling: Policy Prescriptions" was inaugurated by _____. – **Nitin Gadkari**
67. NITI Aayog's International Conference on "Sustainable Growth through Material Recycling: Policy Prescriptions" was inaugurated in _____. – **New Delhi**
68. Which of the following nation tested first cutting-edge hypersonic aircraft, which could carry nuclear warheads? – **China**
69. With which of the following organisation did Ministry of Water Resource and NWDA sign an agreement for funding of central share of 99 prioritised irrigation projects under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY)? – **NABARD**
70. Which of the following ministry launched Bhoomi Rashi portal? – **Ministry of Road Transport & Highways**
71. Name the land acquisition portal launched by Nitin Gadkari in August, 2018? – **Bhoomi Rashi**
72. Which of the following state launched the first-of-its-kind life insurance programme worth Rs 5 lakh for the farmers in the state? – **Telangana**
73. Telangana state government launched the first-of-its-kind life insurance programme worth how much amount for the farmers in the state? – **₹5 lakhs**
74. Telangana state government launched the first-of-its-kind life insurance programme for the farmers in the state. What is the name of the programme? – **Rythu Bandhu Life Insurance Bonds**
75. Telangana launched the first-of-its-kind life insurance programme worth Rs 5 lakh for the farmers in the state in partnership with _____. – **Life Insurance Corporation of India**
76. Who is the chairman of the group of ministers to decide Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) negotiations? – **Suresh Prabhu**
77. Which of the following state launched the 'Mukhyamantri Kanya Utthan Yojana'? – **Bihar**
78. Who among the following has been appointed to the Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? – **Swaminathan Gurumurthy**
79. Who among the following has been appointed to the Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)? – **Satish Kashinath Marathe**
80. Who among the following sworn in as judge of Supreme Court? – **Justice Indira Banerjee, Vineet Saran and KM Joseph**
81. Who among the following has been elected as Council Member of Country Code Supporting Organisation of ICANN? – **Ajay Datta**
82. Which nation has launched a prototype Sunway exascale computing machine, the next-generation supercomputer? – **China**
83. Which of the following bank has recently launched unified payment terminal MOPAD? – **State Bank of India**
84. State Bank of India (SBI) recently launched MOPAD, a unified payment option that accepts multiple payment methods. What does MOPAD stand for? – **Multi-Option Payment Acceptance Device**
85. Which of the following company tied up with Reliance Money to offer instant app based personal loans? – **PayU India**
86. PayU India has tied up with which company to offer instant app based personal loans via LazyPay? – **Reliance Money**
87. Which of the following company announced a collaboration with IIM Ahmedabad's Centre for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship (CIIE) to set up a Financial Inclusion Lab? – **JP Morgan**
88. With which organisation did NITI Aayog sign a MoU on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)? – **Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)**
89. Which of the following state has announced a special assistance worth Rs 500 crore for the Other Backward Classes (OBC) community in the state? – **Maharashtra**

90. Lok Sabha has passed the Supplementary Demands for Grants for the fiscal year 2018-19 worth _____. – **₹11,698 crore**
91. TRAI has integrated the TRAI Mobile Apps namely DND 2.0 and MyCall with UMANG Platform. What does UMANG stand for? – **Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance**
92. Which of the following state government recently launched app-based taxi service? – **Goa**
93. What is the name of the app-based taxi service launched by Goa government? – **GoaMiles**
94. Which of the following state announced to appoint interns known as 'Lok Kalyan Mitra' for publicity of government's welfare schemes? – **Uttar Pradesh**
95. Uttar Pradesh government has announced that it will appoint interns in every block of the state for publicity of the welfare schemes of government. The interns will be known as _____. – **Lok Kalyan Mitra**
96. The union government has extended e-visa facility for citizens of how many countries? – **165**
97. Who among the following was appointed as the acting chief justice of the Delhi High Court? – **Justice Shripathi Ravindra Bhat**
98. Which of the following nation successfully test fired world's 1st hypersonic aircraft that can fire nuclear warheads? – **China**
99. Mirabai Chanu is associated with which sports? – **Weight lifting**
100. Name the first bank in the country to introduce Iris Scan Authentication feature for Aadhaar-based transactions. – **Axis Bank**
101. Axis Bank has become the first bank in the country to introduce Iris Scan Authentication feature for Aadhaar-based transactions through _____. – **Micro ATM Tablets**
102. Who among the following inaugurated 'One District One Product' (ODOP) Summit organised by the Uttar Pradesh government? – **President Ram Nath Kovind**
103. Which of the following state hosted 'One District One Product' (ODOP) Summit? – **Uttar Pradesh**
104. 'One District One Product' (ODOP) Summit organised by the Uttar Pradesh government for which purpose? – **to promote traditional industries in every district of the state**
105. With which state did Amazon sign a MoU to support MSME entrepreneurs in the state? – **Uttar Pradesh**
106. With which company did Uttar Pradesh sign a MoU to support MSME entrepreneurs across nine districts as a part of the state's One District One Product (ODOP) scheme? – **Amazon India**
107. Which of the following bank did recently sign MoU with BRICS development banks on blockchain technology? – **Exim Bank of India**
108. Exim Bank of India has signed a multilateral cooperation agreement with member development banks of BRICS for which purpose? – **"collaborative research" in blockchain technology**
109. With which bank did PayPal announce a strategic partnership to offer safer, faster and convenient payment experiences for the bank's card holders? – **HDFC Bank**
110. With which company did HDFC Bank announce a strategic partnership to offer safer, faster and convenient payment experiences for the bank's card holders? – **PayPal**
111. Which of the following company recently acquired Balance Technology? – **Paytm**
112. The Committee on Fair Market Conduct submitted its report to SEBI Chairman Ajay Tyagi on August 8, 2018. Who was the chairman of the committee? – **T K Viswanathan**
113. NITI Aayog hosted an Investors' Conference for which of the following purpose? – **for the Holistic Development of Islands**
114. Name the newly launched app which provides wide range of information required to undertake international trade. – **Niryat Mitra**
115. Who among the following launched the app Niryat Mitra? – **Suresh Prabhu**
116. Which of the following state introduced India's first all-women SWAT team? – **Delhi**
117. Name the first Indian tribal language to get a Wikipedia edition in its own script. – **Santhali**
118. Which of the following state launched rural cleanliness campaign 'Swachhameva Jayate'? – **Karnataka**
119. Which of the following has been added to UNESCO's list of World Network of Biosphere Reserve (WNBR)? – **Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve (Sikkim)**
120. Khangchendzonga Biosphere Reserve is located in which state? – **Sikkim**

121. Who among the following was elected as the new deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha on August 9, 2018?
– **Harivansh Narayan Singh**
122. Who was recently appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited? – **R Madhavan**
123. Who has been appointed as a member of the prestigious Athletes' Commission of the International Olympic Committee (IOC)? – **Abhinav Bindra**
124. Who among the following was recently appointed chairman of the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India? – **R S Sharma**
125. Who among the following has been appointed to be next UN human rights chief? – **Former Chilean President, Michelle Bachelet**
126. What was India's rank in the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2018? – **57**
127. Who topped the Global Innovation Index (GII) 2018? – **Switzerland**
128. World Bio-Fuel Day is observed on _____. – **10 August**
129. 2018 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples was observed across the world on _____. – **9 August**
130. What was the theme of 2018 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples? – **'Indigenous peoples' migration and movement'**
131. Name the Indian-American who won the world championship at the International Geography Bee's junior varsity division. – **Avi Goel**
132. Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced on August 10, 2018 that 12 modern bio-fuel refineries will be set up worth _____. – **₹10,000 crore**
133. PM Narendra Modi announced setting up of how many modern bio-fuel refineries worth Rs 10,000 crore will be established across the country? – **12**
134. Which of the following state has announced that it will be launching the Ayushman Bharat-Haryana Health Protection Mission on August 15, 2018? – **Haryana**
135. National Green Tribunal has formed a committee to look into whether sub regional plans for protection of Natural Conservation Zones (NCZs). Who is the chairman of this committee? – **Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel**
136. Name the first woman Chief Justice of Jammu & Kashmir High Court. – **Justice Gita Mittal**
137. Justice Gita Mittal became the first woman chief justice of which high court? – **Jammu & Kashmir High Court**
138. Who among the following was appointed as the new Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court? – **Justice Rajendra Menon**
139. Name the NASA launched solar mission. – **Parker Solar Probe**
140. Name the first bowler to take 100 Test wickets here at the iconic Lord's Cricket Ground. – **James Anderson (England)**
141. Name the Nobel Laureate who recently passed away. – **V.S. Naipaul**
142. Who among the following announced the Top 10 cities rankings on Ease of Living Index 2018? – **Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, Hardeep Singh Puri**
143. Which of the following city topped the Ease of Living Index 2018? – **Pune**
144. Which of the following city did not participate in the Ease of Living Index 2018? – **Kolkata**
145. Which of the following city was placed last in the Ease of Living Index 2018? – **Patna**
146. According to the YouGov Survey, which of the following Indian organisation emerged as the Most Patriotic brand? – **State Bank of India**
147. Which of the following state announced signing of a MoU with ISRO's National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to get faster fire alerts? – **Tamil Nadu**
148. Which of the following state launched "CM Dashboard", an electronic window for better monitoring? – **Nagaland**
149. Which of the following state has announced reimbursement of bills for transgenders willing to undergo sex change operation? – **Kerala**

150. Government has unlocked how much amount of green fund to increase the country's forest cover? – **₹66,000 crore**
151. The US Defence Department announced to create a Space Force by the year _____. – **2020**
152. Who among the following was appointed as the Chairperson of the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity (APTEL)? – **Justice Manjula Chellur**
153. Who among the following was appointed as the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court? – **Justice Vijaya Kamlesh Tahilramani**
154. 2018 International Youth Day was observed on _____. – **12 August**
155. What was the theme of 2018 International Youth Day? – **Safe Spaces for Youth**
156. Name the former Lok Sabha speaker who recently passed away. – **Somnath Chatterjee**
157. Who launched 'Pitch to MOVE', a pitch competition that aims to provide entrepreneurs of India with an opportunity to pitch their business ideas to a distinguished jury? – **NITI Aayog**
158. Name the pitch competition launched by NITI Aayog that aims to provide entrepreneurs of India with an opportunity to pitch their business ideas to a distinguished jury. – **Pitch to MOVE**
159. The government proposed a new transaction structure for future of greenfield airports under NABH Nirman initiative. What does NABH stand for? – **Nextgen Airports for Bharat**
160. Which of the following railway station was declared the cleanest in Report on Station Cleanliness released by Indian Railways? – **Jodhpur**
161. Which of the following railway station was declared the dirtiest in Report on Station Cleanliness released by Indian Railways? – **Shahganj**
162. Which of the following high court invoked the 'parens patriae' doctrine and declared itself as a legal guardian of members of the bovine family across the state? – **Uttarakhand High Court**
163. Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) accorded approval for the procurement of six indigenously designed and manufactured Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPVs) for how much amount? – **₹4941 crore**
164. Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) accorded approval for the procurement of how many indigenously designed and manufactured Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPVs) for Rs. 4941 crore? – **six**
165. How many police personnel were honoured with the President's Police medals for distinguished services? – **942**
166. Who among the following has been appointed as the Brand ambassador of road safety campaign? – **Akshay Kumar**
167. Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari launched road safety awareness video featuring which Bollywood actor? – **Akshay Kumar**
168. Shaheed Saman Diwas was observed across Madhya Pradesh on _____. – **14 August**
169. Shaheed Saman Diwas was observed on 14 August in which state? – **Madhya Pradesh**
170. Who among the following was appointed as Director (Pipelines) of state-owned Indian Oil Corp (IOC)? – **Akshay Kumar Singh**
171. Balramji Das Tandon, who recently passed away was the incumbent governor of _____. – **Chhattisgarh**
172. In addition to current and savings accounts, customers can link what type of account to UPI 2.0? – **Overdraft Account**
173. Which of the following type(s) of account was recently added to the UPI 2.0? – **Overdraft Account**
174. Who among the following developed UPI 2.0? – **National Payments Corporation of India**
175. Through which of the following service in UPI 2.0, a customer can pre-authorise a payment for future date? – **UPI mandate**
176. Name the feature designed for customers to check the invoice sent by merchant prior to making payment in UPI 2.0. – **Invoice in the Inbox**
177. How many banks are the launching partner of UPI 2.0? – **11**
178. Which of the following foreign bank was the launching partner of UPI 2.0? – **HSBC Bank**
179. Name the feature designed for customers to check the authenticity of merchants while scanning QR or quick response code. – **Signed intent**

180. With which of the following payments bank did Bharti AXA sign a pact to offer Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)? – **Airtel Payments Bank**
181. With which of the following insurance company did Airtel Payments Bank sign a pact to offer Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)? – **Bharti AXA**
182. PM Narendra Modi announced manned space mission taking Indian astronauts to space on board by 2022. The name of the mission is _____. – **Gaganyaan Mission**
183. India will be launching 'NAVIC' for which of the following purpose? – **For Fishermen**
184. Which of the following state recently launched Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY)? – **Odisha**
185. Indian Railways launched 'Digital Screens' to spread awareness about Indian Railways Heritage in how many stations? – **22**
186. Which of the following state announced to observe September as the "month of nutrition" to create awareness among people living in the state? – **Rajasthan**
187. The Supreme Court on August 13, 2018 approved a proposal to have hologram-based coloured stickers on vehicles which would indicate the nature of fuel being used in _____. – **National Capital Region**
188. FSSAI has launched RUCO initiative to collect, convert used cooking oil into biofuel. RUCO stands for _____. – **Repurpose Used Cooking Oil**
189. Which of the following Indian city(s) was/were featured in the Global Liveability Index 2018? – **Delhi and Mumbai**
190. What was Delhi's rank in the Global Liveability Index 2018? – **112**
191. What was Mumbai's rank in the Global Liveability Index 2018? – **117**
192. Which city topped the Global Liveability Index 2018? – **Vienna, Austria**
193. Which of the following organisation released the Global Liveability Index 2018? – **Economist Intelligence Unit**
194. Mario Abdo Benitez was sworn in as the new President of _____. – **Paraguay**
195. Who was named head coach of the Indian women's national cricket team? – **Ramesh Powar**
196. How much amount did India release for Phase I of Postal Highway Project being constructed in Southern Plains of Nepal? – **₹440 million**
197. 24th World Congress of Philosophy (WCP) was held in _____. – **Beijing, China**
198. Name the former Indian cricketer who passed away. – **Ajit Wadekar**
199. 11th World Hindi Conference was held in which country? – **Mauritius**
200. What was the theme of 11th World Hindi Conference? – **Hindi World and Indian Culture**
201. Name the ISRO designed satellite designed to study the solar corona. – **Aditya L-1**
202. Damodar Valley Corporation decided to set up the country's largest pump storage hydel power project in _____. – **Jharkhand**
203. The government of India has proposed to the UN to declare which year as 'International Year of Millets'? – **2019**
204. Which nation recently announced the formation of the Iran Action Group (IAG) to coordinate and run the country's policy towards Iran? – **USA**
205. Which of the following nation paid tribute to former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee hailing him as a 'statesman' after he passed away? – **Pakistan**
206. Who among the following was sworn in as the 22nd Prime Minister of Pakistan? – **Imran Khan**
207. Who among the following has been elected as the Chair of the International Nitrogen Initiative (INI)? – **Nandula Raghuram**
208. Name the Former United Nations chief and Nobel Peace Prize laureate who recently passed away. – **General Kofi Annan**
209. Aretha Franklin, who recently passed away was a famous _____. – **Singer from USA**
210. Sushma Swaraj inaugurated 'Panini Language Laboratory' in which country? – **Mauritius**
211. Who among the following inaugurated 'Panini Language Laboratory' in Mauritius? – **Sushma Swaraj**
212. With which nation did India recently conduct 'Exercise Maitree 2018'? – **Thailand**
213. Which of the following state launched for the first time Disaster Response Force (DRF) vehicles? – **Telangana**

214. Who has been appointed as Independent Director on the Board of Indiabulls Housing Finance? – **Subhash Sheoratan Mundra**
215. World Humanitarian Day was observed across the world on _____. – **19 August**
216. Which of the following company launched India's first Artificial intelligence (AI) based technology to facilitate instant health insurance claims approval? – **ICICI Lombard**
217. Paytm has announced the launch of its artificial intelligence (AI) cloud computing platform Paytm AI Cloud in partnership with which company? – **Alibaba**
218. Which of the following bank recently launched customer interactive platform Instatalk? – **YES Bank**
219. With which nation did India recently have decided to further expand their defence ties? – **Japan**
220. Name the recently launched Anti-Tank Guided Missile by DRDO. – **HELINA**
221. Which of the following country announced to procure multi-purpose Barak 8 missile defence system? – **Israeli Navy**
222. Which of the following was announced as additional security layer by UIDAI for Aadhar? – **Face Recognition**
223. The government has proposed to set up five-member committee to suggest changes to JEE (Advanced). Who will head the committee? – **Bhaskar Ramamurthy**
224. FSSAI constituted a group of experts from health and nutrition sector to look into the issue of food labelling. Who will head the group? – **B Sesikaran**
225. Who among the following has been ranked as the top company globally on Fortune's 'Change The World' list? – **Reliance Jio**
226. Exercise Pitch Black 2018, in which Indian Air Force participated was hosted by _____. – **Royal Australian Air Force**
227. Who among the following was awarded with prestigious World No Tobacco Day 2017 Award of the World Health Organisation (WHO)? – **SK Arora**
228. National Renewable Energy Day is observed on _____. – **20 August**
229. The Union Government has announced that in cities, no ATM will be replenished with cash after _____. – **9pm**
230. The Union Government has announced that in rural areas, no ATM will be replenished with cash after _____. – **6pm**
231. The Union Government has announced that in naxal hit areas, no ATM will be replenished with cash after _____. – **4pm**
232. The Union Government has announced that in cities, no ATM will be replenished with cash after 9pm. The new Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs) will come into effect from _____. – **February 8, 2019**
233. Which of the following company recently acquired artificial intelligence startup Liv.ai? – **Flipkart**
234. Which of the following spacecraft confirmed frozen water deposits in the darkest and coldest parts of the Moon's polar regions? – **Chandrayaan 1**
235. The Chief Ministers of four Northern States on August 20, 2018 unanimously decided to set up a joint secretariat in which city? – **Panchkula, Haryana**
236. The Supreme Court on August 21, 2018 ruled that the 'None of The Above' (NOTA) option will not be applicable for voting in _____. – **Rajya Sabha elections**
237. Which of the following high court ordered the Central Board of Secondary Education to publicise in media that stringent action would be taken against institutes not following the board's 'no homework' rule for class I and II students? – **Madras High Court**
238. The Madras High Court on August 20, 2018 ordered the Central Board of Secondary Education to publicise in media that stringent action would be taken against institutes not following the board's 'no homework' rule for _____. – **Class I and II students**
239. Who among the following has been appointed as the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir? – **Satya Pal Malik**
240. Who among the following has created history by claiming India's first ever medal - a silver- at the UCI Junior Track Cycling World Championships in Aigle, Switzerland? – **Esow Alben**
241. Esow Alben is associated with which sports? – **Cycling**

242. "No Spin" is the autobiography of _____. – **Shane Warne**
243. Name the autobiography of Shane Warne which will release in October, 2018. – **No Spin**
244. Who among the following has been conferred with Rajiv Gandhi National Sadbhavana Award 2018? – **Gopal Krishna Gandhi**
245. India Banking Conclave 2018 (IBC) was held in _____. – **New Delhi**
246. Which organisation hosted the India Banking Conclave 2018 (IBC)? – **NITI Aayog**
247. Which of the following company has announced high-value top-up loans of up to Rs. 50 Lakhs on home loan balance transfer? – **Bajaj Finserv**
248. Which of the following company has announced acquisition of Inter-Informatics for around Rs 80 million? – **Tech Mahindra**
249. Which of the following city will be renamed as Atal Nagar in the memory of former prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee? – **Naya Raipur**
250. The state government of Chhattisgarh has decided to rename the state's new capital city Naya Raipur as _____. – **Atal Nagar**
251. The Union Ministry of Earth Sciences has proposed to set up a Cyclone Warning Centre in which city? – **Thiruvananthapuram**
252. With which nation did MakeMyTrip sign agreement to promote as a preferred destination in India? – **Indonesia**
253. Government unveiled a draft scheme for extending the affordable air travel programme- UDAN for _____. – **International routes**
254. Who inaugurated the 'International Buddhist Conclave (IBC), 2018'? – **President Ram Nath Kovind**
255. In which city the 'International Buddhist Conclave (IBC), 2018' was held? – **New Delhi**
256. Name the first Indian technologist to get Intel Fellow award. – **Dheemanth Nagraj**
257. Name the Asian games gold medallist who recently passed away. – **Hakam Singh**
258. Which of the following organisation recently launched the world's first public bond created and managed using only blockchain? – **World Bank**
259. The World Bank has launched the world's first public bond created and managed using only blockchain in partnership with _____. – **Commonwealth Bank of Australia**
260. In which city the Bhamashah Techno Hub was launched? – **Jaipur, Rajasthan**
261. Name the Rajasthan launched India's largest business incubator. – **Bhamashah Techno Hub**
262. Which of the following company recently acquired SaaSfocus? – **Cognizant**
263. Which of the following state hosted the first ever 'Aadi Mahotsav' under the aegis of the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED)? – **Nagaland**
264. Nagaland hosted the first ever 'Aadi Mahotsav' for which of the following purpose? – **to promote the tribal handicraft**
265. Name the Indian cricketer who announced her retirement from T20 Internationals. – **Jhulan Goswami**
266. Name the veteran journalist, author and human rights activist who recently passed away. – **Kuldip Nayar**
267. Which of the following bank recently announce to launch 'multi-modal' biometric authentication for its mobile applications? – **State Bank of India**
268. With which of the following state did National Stock Exchange (NSE) sign a MoU to fund MSME? – **West Bengal**
269. Container Corporation of India (CONCOR) has inked a pact with which organisation for providing rail access to container services? – **Kandla Terminal**
270. Which of the following state has approved a bill for creation of a price stabilisation fund that will ensure state farmers get minimum support price (MSP)? – **Punjab**
271. According to the government, which state has succeeded in efficiently implementing MUDRA scheme? – **Maharashtra**
272. Which of the following method has been added mandatory for every authentication that requires Aadhaar? – **Face Recognition**
273. International Colour Festival 2018 was held in which state? – **Jharkhand**

274. Chief Election Commissioner OP Rawat has said that Election Commission is ready for hundred per cent use of VVPAT. What does VVPAT stand for? – **Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail machines**
275. Which of the following institute was announced to be renamed to 'Atal Bihari Vajpayee School of Management and Entrepreneurship'? – **School of Management and Entrepreneurship (Jawaharlal Nehru University)**
276. With which of the following nation did India sign a MoU on Defence Exchanges and Cooperation to replace the MoU signed in 2006? – **China**
277. With which of the following country did Prasar Bharati sign a MoU in August 2018? – **Myanmar**
278. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Exercise started in _____. – **Chelyabinsk Oblast, Russia**
279. Which of the following nation released a handbook of its "feminist foreign policy" for rights groups and foreign governments? – **Sweden**
280. Name the veteran Marathi actor who recently passed away. – **Vijay Chavan**
281. Department of Financial Services report has rated which bank as number one state-owned bank in terms of digital transactions? – **Punjab National Bank**
282. Punjab National Bank stated that according to Department of Financial Services report has rated it as number one state-owned bank in terms of _____. – **digital transactions**
283. Which of the following organisation has inked a loan agreement with German bank KfW for EUR 200 million facility to finance clean energy in India? – **Rural Electrification Corporation**
284. How much amount of loan agreement did Rural Electrification Corporation sign with KfW for clean energy? – **200 million euro**
285. Which of the following bank has agreed to a multi-year partnership with Manchester United to launch co-branded debit and credit cards? – **ICICI Bank**
286. With which of the following EPL Club did ICICI Bank agreed to a multi-year partnership to launch co-branded debit and credit cards? – **Manchester United**
287. Which of the following state will organise global farmers meet 'Krishi Kumbh'? – **Uttar Pradesh**
288. Who among the following launched NETA mobile application to rate Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs)? – **Former President Pranab Mukherjee**
289. Former President Pranab Mukherjee on August 24, 2018 launched the NETA app to rate Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Legislative Assembly (MLAs). What does NETA stand for? – **National Electoral Transformation**
290. India's first inter state connected wind power project commissioned in _____. – **Bhuj, Gujarat**
291. Who won the FIFA Under 20 Women's World Cup? – **Japan**
292. First ever FIFA Under 20 Women's World Cup was held in _____. – **France**
293. Whom did Japan defeat to win the first ever FIFA Under 20 Women's World Cup? – **Spain**
294. Who among the following has been appointed as the Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)? – **G. Satheesh Reddy**
295. Atal Ji Ne Kaha is authored by _____. – **Brijendra Rehi**
296. Who was announced to be honoured with Asia Society's Game Changer of the Year 2018 award? – **Indra Nooyi**
297. A recent RBI report disclosed that the share of Public Sector Banks (PSBs) in lending to the education sector is _____. – **91.42 percent**
298. India's first flight powered by Biofuel landed in which airport? – **Indira Gandhi International Airport**
299. India's first flight powered by Biofuel landed at the Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi on August 27, 2018. The test flight had taken off from which city? – **Dehradun**
300. Which of the following airline tested India's first biofuel-powered flight? – **Spicejet**
301. The Union Defence Ministry on August 25, 2018 gave its approval for the acquisition of how many utility helicopters for Navy? – **111**
302. The Union Defence Ministry on August 25, 2018 gave its approval for the acquisition of 111 utility helicopters for Navy at an estimated cost of _____. – **Rs 21,000 crore**
303. Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary is located in which state? – **Madhya Pradesh**
304. With which of the following company did Netflix announce strategic partnership? – **Airtel**

305. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch the second phase of the FAME India scheme with an outlay of _____. – **Rs 5,500 crore**
306. Who among the following was appointed as the managing director and chief India economist of Goldman Sachs? – **Prachi Mishra**
307. With which of the following bank did Rajasthan announce its partnership to launch Bhamashah Wallet? – **YES Bank**
308. YES bank has announced its partnership with the Government of Rajasthan to launch which wallet? – **Bhamashah Wallet**
309. YES bank has announced its partnership with which state to launch Bhamashah Wallet? – **Rajasthan**
310. How much amount of guarantee pact did India sign with World Bank to push energy efficiency programme in India? – **\$80 million**
311. How much amount of loan agreement did India sign with World Bank to push energy efficiency programme in India? – **\$220 million**
312. Government of India, World Bank and which organisation ink \$300 mn pact to push energy efficiency programme? – **EESL**
313. Which of the following organisation signed a pact with the Ministry of Railways, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh for implementation of the 362 km Indore- Manmad New Railway Line Project? – **Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust**
314. Google's payment app for India 'Tez' was recently renamed as _____. – **Google Pay**
315. With how many state did Government sign a MoU for construction of Lakhwar Multi-Purpose Project in Uttarakhand? – **6**
316. Government signs MoU with 6 states for construction of Lakhwar Multi-Purpose Project in which state? – **Uttarakhand**
317. Government announced Drone Regulations 1.0 for safe commercial usage of Drones. Drones are officially known as RPAS, what does RPAS stand for? – **Remotely Piloted Aircraft System**
318. The Drone Regulations 1.0 are intended to enable visual line-of-sight daytime-only and a maximum of _____. – **400 ft**
319. Who among the following has been appointed as the Assistant Secretary General and Head of the New York Office of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)? – **Satya S Tripathi**
320. Which of the following organisation successfully launched wind-sensing satellite named 'Aeolus'? – **European Space Agency**
321. As per the Annual Report 2017-18 of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), what percent of demonetized notes returned to Bank? – **99.3%**
322. How much amount of loan agreement did India sign with Asian Development Bank for 'Madhya Pradesh Irrigation Efficiency Improvement Project'? – **USD 375 million**
323. Union Government and ADB signed a USD 375 million loan agreement to improve irrigation efficiency in which state? – **Madhya Pradesh**
324. How much amount of loan agreement India sign with World Bank to improve power distribution in Rajasthan? – **USD 250**
325. Union Government and the World Bank on August 28, 2018 signed a USD 250 million loan agreement to improve power distribution in which state? – **Rajasthan**
326. Maharashtra Cabinet cleared a proposal for financing farmers for purchasing farm equipment with an initial corpus of _____. – **₹50 crore**
327. Which of the following state cleared a proposal for financing farmers for purchasing farm equipment with an initial corpus of Rs 50 crore? – **Maharashtra**
328. How much amount of project did National Mission for Clean Ganga approve for cleaning Ganga River and its banks? – **₹150 crore**
329. India's first manned space mission 'Gaganyaan' will be launched by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) by _____. – **2022**
330. What is the name of India's first manned space mission? – **Gaganyaan**
331. India's first manned space flight, Gaganyaan, is expected to send how many persons into space? – **3**

332. India's first manned space flight, Gaganyaan, is expected to send three persons into space for how many days? – **7**
333. With whom did India collaborate for research programme named 'Horizon 2020' to develop Next Generation Influenza Vaccine? – **European Union**
334. With which of the following organisation did India sign MoU to Enhance Innovation for Clean Energy Transition? – **International Energy Agency**
335. Name the Google project to make online content relevant for more Indian users especially in local languages. – **Navlekha**
336. Which of the following company launched Project Navlekha to make online content relevant for more Indian users especially in local languages? – **Google**
337. Google launched Project Navlekha for which of the following purpose? – **for Indic language publishers**
338. With which of the following state did Google partner to facilitate Internet access to villages? – **Andhra Pradesh**
339. Government approved implementation of an umbrella scheme 'Ocean Services, Technology, Observations, Resources Modelling and Science (O-SMART)' with an outlay of _____. – **Rs 1623 crore**
340. Newly launched Prime Minister's Science Technology and Innovation Advisory Committee (PM-STIAC) will be headed by _____. – **K Vijay Raghavan**
341. Which of the following state passed a bill for setting up of a State Security Commission for selection of the director general of police (DGP)? – **Punjab**
342. 6th RCEP Trade Ministers' Meeting was held in _____. – **Singapore**
343. 4th BIMSTEC Summit was held in _____. – **Kathmandu, Nepal**
344. The first South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Agri Cooperative Business Forum was held in _____. – **Kathmandu, Nepal**
345. National Sports Day is observed on _____. – **29 August**
346. MOVE: India's First Global Mobility Summit 2018' was organised by _____. – **NITI Aayog**
347. MOVE: India's First Global Mobility Summit 2018' was held in _____. – **New Delhi**
348. How much amount of loan agreement did India sign with Asian Development Bank to improve state highways in Karnataka? – **USD 346 million**
349. India and Asian Development Bank signed a USD 346 million loan agreement to finance improvement of state highways in which state? – **Karnataka**
350. Which of the following village announced to go fully digital from September 1, 2018? – **Amethi**
351. Who has been elected as the new Chairman of Indian Bank's Association (IBA) for 2018-19? – **PNB MD & CEO Sunil Mehta**
352. Who among the following has been appointed as the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Rajasthan? – **Anand Kumar**

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