



## **QUIZ QC 31: Current Affairs & General Knowledge - IAS General Studies Prelim 2009**

**1. Which among of the following books are written by Amartya Sen.:**

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| 1. Development as Freedom | 2. The Argumentative Indian |
| 3. Identity and violence  |                             |

Codes:

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| a). Only 1 and 2 | b). Only 2 and 3 |
| c). Only 3 and 1 | d). 1, 2 and 3   |

**2. Which among of the following states became India's 1st carbon Free State?**

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| a). Himanchal Pradesh | b). Uttarakhand     |
| c). Pondicherry       | d). Andaman Nicobar |

**3. According to Educational Development Index 2008 developed by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), Select the correct sequence of the State's EDI in the descending order ?**

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| a). Puducherry , Lakhadweep , New Delhi , Kerala | b). Puducherry, Kerala, New Delhi, Lakhadweep, |
| c). Kerala, Puducherry, New Delhi, Lakhadweep,   | d). Kerala, Puducherry, Lakhadweep, New Delhi  |

**4. Which among of the following Judicial Commission was set up for inquiry of Kandmal violence?**

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| a). Justice S C Mahapatra Commission | b). Justice B N Renake Commission |
| c). Justice A R Lakshmanan           | d). Justice N Krishnan Commission |

**5. Who became the youngest player in the world to beat Grandmaster Kazakh Ibrayev recently ?**

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| a). Pranav Sen  | b). Swadesh Mukherjee |
| c). Minoru Hara | d). Hetul Shah        |

**6. If United State goes ahead with building a missile shield system in Eastern Europe , Russia would deploy short range Iskander missile and Electronic system in which among of the following region ?**

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| a). Novorossiysk region | b). Kaliningrad region |
| c). Arkhangelsk region  | d). Vladivostok region |

**7. Which among of the following projects launched by Stanford Professor Vijay Pande, is used distributed computing to simulate the complex process and understanding of complex diseases like Alzheimer's and Parkinson's ?**

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| a). The Folding@Home project | b). The Operation Project X  |
| c). The SETI@home            | d). The Storage@home Project |

**8. Which country will host the first standalone summit of the BRIC - 2009 nations — Brazil, Russia, India and China — to deal with the global crisis and build a new international financial system?**

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| a). Brazil | b). Russia |
| c). India  | d). China  |

**9. Which among of the following states tops in the Educational Development Index 2008 prepared by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) recently?**

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|-----------------|----------------|
| a). Kerala      | b). Puducherry |
| c). Lakshadweep | d). New Delhi  |

**10. Consider the following statements:**

1. Avinash Chander is the director of the Agni Programme.
2. The Range of Agni-V is 5000 Km.
3. Advance System Laboratory , associated with Agni Missile Programme is located at Bangalore.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a). Only 1 and 2  
b). Only 2 and 3  
c). both 3 and 1  
d). 1, 2 and 3

**11. Who among of the following economists is the founder and president of the World Economic forum?**

- a). Joseph Deiss  
b). Joseph Deiss  
c). Karl Brunner  
d). Klaus Schwab

**12. The GOI has decided to declare the Ganga a “ national river” and set up a high power Ganga River Basin Authority ( GRBA ) to stop pollution and degradation . The Authority will be chaired by:**

- a). President of India  
b). Prime Minister of India  
c). Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission  
d). Chief Justice of India

**13. Who among of the following scientist is the Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director, BrahMos Aerospace ?**

- a). Dr. A. Sivathanu Pillai  
b). Dr. P S Krishnan  
c). Dr. Mylswamy Annadurai  
d). Dr. S. Sundaresh

**14. Maitri missile is a**

- a). surface-to-air missile  
b). Surface-to-surface missile  
c). Air to air missile  
d). Anti Tank Missile

**15. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:**

**List-I (Persons in News)**

- A. Jacques Piccard  
B. Peter Thangaraj  
C. Rupia Banda  
D. Chelsey B Sullenberger

**List-II (Known as )**

1. Underwater explorer  
2. US Airforce Pilot  
3. Zambia’s New President  
4. Indian Football Palyer & Asian Gold Medalist

Codes:

	A	B	C	D
a).	4	1	3	2
b).	1	4	2	3
c).	4	1	2	3
d).	1	4	3	2

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**16. What are the population and GDP (PPP) approx. of the world?**

- a). 6.8 billions and US\$ 65 trillion  
b). 7.2 billions and US\$ 75 trillion  
c). 7.3 billions and US\$ 85 trillion  
d). 6.6 billions and US\$ 55 trillion

**17. Who won the IAAF World Athlete of the Year 2008 awards?**

- a). Michael Phelps and Yelena Isibayeva  
b). Usain Bolt and Paula Radcliffe  
c). Michael Phelps and Paula Radcliffe  
d). Usain Bolt and Yelena Isibayeva

**18. Who, the Internal Security Advisor to Home Minister P Chidamberam , will be the next chief of country’s external intelligence agency research and analysis wings ( RAWs ) ?**

- a). Ashok Chaturvedi  
b). Rajiv Mathur  
c). P K H Tharakan  
d). K C Verma

**19. Who, a senior IPS officer of Jammu & Kashmir cadre, has been appointed the first Director General of the National Investigation Agency (NIA)?**

- a). Radha Vinod Raju
- b). C D Sahay
- c). Vijay Shanker Mishra
- d). Ashok Chaturvedi

**20. According to UNICEF's "State of the world's Children 2009" report, select the correct sequence of states' Maternal Mortality Ratio in the descending order:**

- a). Uttar Pradesh , Uttarakhand , Bihar , Jharkhand
- b). Uttar Pradesh , Bihar , Uttarakhand , Jharkhand
- c). Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttarakhand
- d). Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand , Uttarakhand , Bihar

**21. Ministry of Human Resource development had declared which among of the following days as National Education Day in remembrance of Abul Kalam Azad's contribution to the cause of education?**

- a). 11 November
- b). 15 November
- c). 21 November
- d). 25 November

**22. Who co-authored the book, " 100 things to do Before you die " ?**

- a). Michael Bright
- b). Patricia Schultz
- c). Richard Horne
- d). Dave Freeman

**23. Which among of the following countries / regions is the third largest trading partner with India?**

- a). United State
- b). European Union
- c). China
- d). ASEAN

**24. Consider the following statements:**

1. Human Rights Watch is a United States based international non-governmental organization that conducts research and advocacy on human rights.
2. Its headquarters are in Washington.

*Which among of the above statements is/are correct?*

- a). Only 1
- b). Only 2
- c). both 1 and 2
- d). Neither 1 nor 2

**25. According to the Guinness Book of Records, Which books/document describes as Most Translated Document in the world?**

- a). Holy Bible
- b). Bhagvat Gita
- c). the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)
- d). "Harry Potter" books

**26. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Euro zone refers to a currency union among the European Union member states that have adopted the euro as their sole official currency.
2. Slovakia became the 16th country to adopt the Euro recently.

*Which among of the above statements is/are correct?*

- a). Only 1
- b). Only 2
- c). both 1 and 2
- d). Neither 1 nor 2

**27. Who among of the following is the current president of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) ?**

- a). Ved Jain
- b). T.S Vijayan,
- c). M Parshad
- d). D. K. Mehrotra

**28. Who has been selected for the National Communal Harmony Award for 2008 for working on inter-religious dialogue and Anjuman Sair-e-Gul Faroshan, known for its annual "Phool Walon ki Sair"?**

- a). Nirmala Deshpande
- b). Dr. Ram Puniyani
- c). S.Rajendra Babu
- d). Dominic Emmanuel

29. According to the UNICEF's latest "State of the World's Children-2009" report, how many percentages of the world child marriage in India?

- a). 30 %  
b). 40 %  
c). 50 %  
d). 55 %

30. Who, the first foreign director, whose documentary series, *Phantom India*, examined some issues about Indian Social Problems ( \* the second is Danny Boyle, whose *Slumdog Millionaire* takes some of the same issues)?

- a). Luc Besson  
b). Jacques Rivette  
c). Daniel Monzón  
d). Louis Malle

31. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists:

List-I (Padma Vibhushan 2009 Awardees)

List-II (Areas )

- A. Dr. Chandrika Prasad Srivastava  
B. Prof. D. P. Chattopadhyaya  
C. Dr. A.S. Ganguly  
D. Prof. Jasbir Singh Bajaj
1. Literature and education  
2. Medicine  
3. Trade and Industry  
4. Civil Service

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32. Who was the chief guest of Republic Day (26 Jan, 2009)?

- a). Daniyal Akhmetov  
b). Nurusultan Nazarbayev  
c). Kasymzhomart Tokayev  
d). Sergey Tereshchenko

33. On January 22, 2009, Who was appointed as a special adviser on Pakistan and Afghanistan, working under President Barack Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton

- a). John D. Negroponte  
b). Richard Holbrooke  
c). Charles E. Redman  
d). Bill Richardson

34. Operation Desert storm is:

- a). a mission to promote awareness about AIDS  
b). a mission to promote awareness about Global Warming  
c). a mission to promote awareness about forest conservation  
d). a mission to promote awareness about wildlife conservation

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