

# Current Affairs MCQs – January 2026

Q	Question	Options	Correct Answer
1	Who became the first batsman in the world to score 54 centuries in ODI cricket?	(a) Virat Kohli (b) Ricky Ponting (c) Sachin Tendulkar (d) Kumar Sangakkara	<b>Virat Kohli</b>
2	What is the special theme of the Republic Day Parade 2026?	(a) 75 Years of Independence (b) 150 Years of Vande Mataram (c) Make in India (d) Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav	<b>150 Years of Vande Mataram</b>
3	The 1st leg of Khelo India Winter Games 2026 began in which city?	(a) Srinagar (b) Shimla (c) Manali (d) Leh	<b>Leh</b>
4	The 86th All India Presiding Officers' Conference started on 19 January 2026 at which place?	(a) Jaipur (b) New Delhi (c) Lucknow (d) Udaipur	<b>Lucknow</b>
5	Which city will host India's first city-led climate action initiative?	(a) Bengaluru (b) Chennai (c) Delhi (d) Mumbai	<b>Mumbai</b>
6	Which state recorded the highest share of personal four-wheeler EV adoption in 2025?	(a) Maharashtra (b) Delhi (c) Karnataka (d) Kerala	<b>Kerala</b>
7	India's first Sovereign AI Park will be set up in which state?	(a) Tamil Nadu (b) Telangana (c) Karnataka (d) Maharashtra	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>
8	Yoweri Museveni secured his seventh term as President of which country?	(a) Kenya (b) Rwanda (c) Tanzania (d) Uganda	<b>Uganda</b>
9	The Davos 2026 World Economic Forum began on January 19 in which country?	(a) Germany (b) France (c) Austria (d) Switzerland	<b>Switzerland</b>

10	Thiruvalluvar was a poet of which language?	(a) Tamil (b) Telugu (c) Malayalam (d) Sanskrit	Tamil
11	Who became the first officer from the Northeast region of India to win the NCC Gold Medal?	(a) Lieutenant K M Sudha (b) Lieutenant Anjali Sharma (c) Captain Ritu Raj (d) Lieutenant Neha Verma	Lieutenant K M Sudha
12	What was India's rank in the Responsible Nations Index?	(a) 12th (b) 14th (c) 16th (d) 18th	16th
13	Vidarbha defeated which team to win their first Vijay Hazare Trophy title?	(a) Mumbai (b) Tamil Nadu (c) Karnataka (d) Saurashtra	Saurashtra
14	Which institution won the SKOCH Award 2025 for the Cell Broadcast Disaster Alert System?	(a) ISRO (b) IMD (c) NDMA (d) Centre for Development of Telematics	Centre for Development of Telematics
15	What was India's rank among Asian countries in the Asia Manufacturing Index 2026?	(a) Fourth (b) Fifth (c) Sixth (d) Seventh	Sixth
16	Who will receive the Padmapani Award at the Ajanta–Ellora International Film Festival 2026?	(a) A. R. Rahman (b) Shankar Mahadevan (c) Ilaiyaraaja (d) Mani Ratnam	Ilaiyaraaja
17	Which Indian boxer has recently been appointed as a member of the Asian Boxing Council?	(a) Mary Kom (b) Lovlina Borgohain (c) Vijender Singh (d) Nikhat Zareen	Vijender Singh
18	Sagar Maitri is a joint initiative of the Indian Navy and which organisation?	(a) DRDO (b) MEA (c) National Disaster Response Force (d) Coast Guard	DRDO
19	India's first open-sea fish farm has been launched in which region?	(a) Lakshadweep (b) Andaman & Nicobar Islands (c) Arabian Sea off Kochi coast	Andaman & Nicobar Islands

		(d) Bay of Bengal off Odisha coast	
20	On January 19, 2026, which organisation celebrated its 21st Raising Day?	(a) CRPF (b) ITBP (c) National Disaster Response Force (d) CISF	<b>National Disaster Response Force</b>
21	Exercise Dosti-17 is a trilateral naval drill involving India, Maldives and which country?	(a) Sri Lanka (b) Bangladesh (c) Seychelles (d) Myanmar	<b>Sri Lanka</b>
22	On Republic Day, the Indian Air Force (IAF) will display which formation?	(a) Trishul Formation (b) Vijay Formation (c) Operation Sindoor Formation (d) Gagan Shakti Formation	<b>Operation Sindoor Formation</b>
23	Which city was ranked the world's safest city for the 10th consecutive year in 2026?	(a) Tokyo (b) Copenhagen (c) Abu Dhabi (d) Zurich	<b>Abu Dhabi</b>
24	Kumbhalgarh Wildlife Sanctuary, declared an Eco-Sensitive Zone, is located in which state?	(a) Gujarat (b) Madhya Pradesh (c) Rajasthan (d) Maharashtra	<b>Rajasthan</b>
25	Which Indian state launched the country's first dedicated dog sanctuary on January 15, 2026?	(a) Haryana (b) Rajasthan (c) Uttar Pradesh (d) Punjab	<b>Punjab</b>
26	India signed a 10-year LNG supply deal with which UAE company in January 2026?	(a) ADNOC (b) Emirates Gas (c) Dubai Petroleum (d) Gulf Petrochem	<b>ADNOC</b>
27	The 54th Foundation Day on January 21, 2026, was celebrated by which states?	(a) Tripura, Mizoram, Nagaland (b) Tripura, Manipur, Meghalaya (c) Manipur, Assam, Meghalaya (d) Tripura, Assam, Mizoram	<b>Tripura, Manipur, Meghalaya</b>
28	A 233-year-old Valmiki Ramayana was gifted to which museum?	(a) National Museum, Delhi (b) Ram Katha Museum, Ayodhya (c) Indian Museum, Kolkata (d) Bharat Kala Bhavan, Varanasi	<b>Ram Katha Museum, Ayodhya</b>

29	Who was appointed as India's next High Commissioner to New Zealand?	(a) Ruchira Kamboj (b) Muanpuii Saiawi (c) Meenakshi Lekhi (d) Vijay Thakur Singh	<b>Muanpuii Saiawi</b>
30	Subhash Chandra Bose Jayanti is celebrated every year on which date?	(a) 21 January (b) 22 January (c) 23 January (d) 24 January	<b>23 January</b>
31	Who has recently taken charge as the Coast Guard Commander of the Western Seaboard?	(a) Nagesh Kapoor (b) Amar Subramaniam (c) General MV Pathak (d) None of the above	<b>General MV Pathak</b>
32	Which Indian city topped the Numbeo Safety Index 2026 rankings?	(a) Chennai (b) Hyderabad (c) Coimbatore (d) Mangaluru	<b>Mangaluru</b>
33	Saina Nehwal has announced her retirement from badminton; in which year was she awarded the Padma Bhushan?	(a) 2014 (b) 2015 (c) 2016 (d) 2017	<b>2016</b>
34	India's first Vande Bharat Sleeper Train is being operated on which route?	(a) New Delhi – Mumbai (b) New Delhi – Howrah (c) New Delhi – Varanasi (d) Kamakhya – Howrah	<b>Kamakhya – Howrah</b>
35	Amelia Valverde has been appointed as the coach of which team?	(a) Indian men's football team (b) Indian women's U-19 team (c) Indian women's senior football team (d) Indian women's futsal team	<b>Indian women's senior football team</b>
36	Where was the Hazardous Chemical Substances Response Drill organized between India and Japan?	(a) Mumbai Port (b) Visakhapatnam Port (c) Kochi Port (d) Chennai Port	<b>Mumbai Port</b>
37	The Bembla River Irrigation Project is being launched in which state?	(a) Maharashtra (b) Telangana (c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Chhattisgarh	<b>Maharashtra</b>

38	Where will the 2nd Global Buddhist Conference (GBS) be held?	(a) New Delhi (b) Bodh Gaya (c) Sarnath (d) Kushinagar	<b>New Delhi</b>
39	The Striped Tiger butterfly has been declared the 'State Butterfly' of which Union Territory?	(a) Delhi (b) Puducherry (c) Chandigarh (d) Daman & Diu	<b>Chandigarh</b>
40	When was National Penguin Day recently celebrated?	(a) January 20 (b) January 23 (c) January 25 (d) January 27	<b>January 20</b>
41	Who has been selected for the Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development for 2025?	(a) Graca Machel (b) Malala Yousafzai (c) Kailash Satyarthi (d) Ellen Johnson Sirleaf	<b>Graca Machel</b>
42	Which state imposed a complete ban on gutkha and pan masala products?	(a) Assam (b) Bihar (c) Odisha (d) Jharkhand	<b>Odisha</b>
43	Who received the Bhartendu Harishchandra Lifetime Achievement Award at Banaras Lit Fest 2026?	(a) Namvar Singh (b) Ashok Vajpeyi (c) Garima Shrivastava (d) Namita Gokhale	<b>Namita Gokhale</b>
44	Where did the Geological Survey of India (GSI) organize the 65th Central Geological Programming Board meeting?	(a) Kolkata (b) Hyderabad (c) Jaipur (d) New Delhi	<b>New Delhi</b>
45	The Union Cabinet approved the continuation of Atal Pension Yojana (APY) till which financial year?	(a) 2026–27 (b) 2027–28 (c) 2028–29 (d) 2030–31	<b>2030–31</b>
46	The Indian Skimmer Conservation Project has been launched in which river basin?	(a) Ganga River Basin (b) Brahmaputra River Basin (c) Godavari River Basin (d) Mahanadi River Basin	<b>Ganga River Basin</b>
47	Who authored "Chalice of Ambrosia: Ram Janmabhoomi – Challenge and Response"?	(a) Meenakshi Jain (b) Ram Madhav (c) Arun Shourie (d) Surendra Kumar Pachauri	<b>Surendra Kumar Pachauri</b>

48	Which state announced the development of NCR's first Biological Park in Alwar?	(a) Haryana (b) Uttar Pradesh (c) Rajasthan (d) Delhi	<b>Rajasthan</b>
49	Which city became Uttar Pradesh's first Zero Fresh Waste Dump city?	(a) Kanpur (b) Varanasi (c) Lucknow (d) Prayagraj	<b>Lucknow</b>
50	What is India's rank in the Asia Manufacturing Index 2026?	(a) Fourth (b) Fifth (c) Sixth (d) Seventh	<b>Sixth</b>
51	Which ship has recently sailed on the Lokayan-26 expedition?	(a) INS Vikrant (b) INS Sunayna (c) INS Darshak (d) INS Sudarshini	<b>INS Sudarshini</b>
52	Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) has completed 11 years. In which year was it launched?	(a) 2013 (b) 2014 (c) 2015 (d) 2016	<b>2015</b>
53	Which state has launched a State Award for Non-Hindi Language Writers?	(a) Madhya Pradesh (b) Rajasthan (c) Uttar Pradesh (d) Tamil Nadu	<b>Tamil Nadu</b>
54	When is National Girl Child Day observed in India?	(a) January 22 (b) January 23 (c) January 24 (d) January 25	<b>January 24</b>
55	Who has been awarded the Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2026 in the Individual category?	(a) Lt Colonel Sita Ashok Shelke (b) Lt General Anil Chauhan (c) NDRF Commandant Atul Karwal (d) Major General Rajiv Narayan	<b>Lt Colonel Sita Ashok Shelke</b>
56	Where has the Indian Army conducted Operation Trashi-I?	(a) Ladakh (b) Jammu and Kashmir (c) Rajasthan (d) Arunachal Pradesh	<b>Jammu and Kashmir</b>
57	Which is the 15th state of India to be honoured with the President's Police Colour Award?	(a) Maharashtra (b) Uttar Pradesh (c) Tamil Nadu (d) Sikkim	<b>Sikkim</b>

58	Spain has formally joined the Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative. In which year was the initiative launched?	(a) 2017 (b) 2018 (c) 2019 (d) 2020	2019
59	According to the Brand Finance Global 500 Report 2026, which is the most valuable brand in the world?	(a) Microsoft (b) Google (c) Apple (d) Amazon	Apple
60	In which states of India are the Lambada tribe mainly found?	(a) Odisha and Chhattisgarh (b) Telangana and Andhra Pradesh (c) Jharkhand and Bihar (d) Maharashtra and Gujarat	Telangana and Andhra Pradesh
61	Which leader was posthumously conferred the Padma Bhushan 2026?	(a) Mulayam Singh Yadav (b) Shibu Soren (c) Ram Vilas Paswan (d) Pranab Mukherjee	Ram Vilas Paswan
62	Which city became Uttar Pradesh's first to scientifically process 100% fresh waste?	(a) Lucknow (b) Kanpur (c) Indore (d) Ayodhya	Lucknow
63	Which team will Scotland replace in Group C of the T20 World Cup, as announced by ICC?	(a) Sri Lanka (b) Afghanistan (c) Bangladesh (d) Ireland	Bangladesh
64	The Gandak River has emerged as India's second-largest habitat for which species?	(a) Dolphin (b) Crocodile (c) Gharial (d) Turtle	Gharial
65	National Tourism Day is observed every year in India on which date?	(a) 24 January (b) 25 January (c) 26 January (d) 27 January	25 January
66	Who among the following former BCCI Presidents passed away at the age of 84?	(a) Jagmohan Dalmiya (b) N Srinivasan (c) IS Bindra (d) Sharad Pawar	IS Bindra
67	National Voters' Day is celebrated annually in India on which date?	(a) 23 January (b) 24 January (c) 25 January (d) 26 January	25 January

68	Wings India 2026, Asia's largest civil aviation event, is being held at which airport?	(a) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (b) Begumpet Airport (c) Kempegowda International Airport (d) Cochin International Airport	<b>Begumpet Airport</b>
69	Which sportsperson from Maharashtra has been conferred with the Padma Shri 2026 for achievements in sports?	(a) Virat Kohli (b) Rohit Sharma (c) Ajinkya Rahane (d) Shubman Gill	<b>Rohit Sharma</b>
70	Which Malayalam cinema icon has been conferred with the Padma Bhushan 2026?	(a) Mohanlal (b) Fahadh Faasil (c) Mammootty (d) Suresh Gopi	<b>Mammootty</b>
71	Which state announced the Atal Vichal Agragami Yojana for research scholars?	(a) Gujarat (b) Madhya Pradesh (c) Rajasthan (d) Assam	<b>Assam</b>
72	Where was India's first integrated private satellite manufacturing unit launched?	(a) Bengaluru (b) Hyderabad (c) Ahmedabad (d) Sanand	<b>Sanand</b>
73	Goan neonatologist Armida Fernandez was awarded which civilian honour?	(a) Padma Bhushan (b) Padma Shri (c) Padma Vibhushan (d) Bharat Ratna	<b>Padma Shri</b>
74	Which country was affected by Winter Storm Fern?	(a) Canada (b) United States (c) United Kingdom (d) Germany	<b>United States</b>
75	Who launched the Military Quantum Technology Policy Framework?	(a) Rajnath Singh (b) CDS General Anil Chauhan (c) DRDO Chairman Samir V. Kamat (d) NSA Ajit Doval	<b>CDS General Anil Chauhan</b>
76	Actor R. Madhavan was awarded which civilian honour?	(a) Padma Bhushan (b) Padma Vibhushan (c) Padma Shri (d) National Film Award	<b>Padma Shri</b>
77	India's highest peacetime gallantry award is?	(a) Param Vir Chakra (b) Kirti Chakra (c) Ashok Chakra (d) Shaurya Chakra	<b>Ashok Chakra</b>

<b>78</b>	IAF Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla received which gallantry honour?	(a) Param Vir Chakra (b) Kirti Chakra (c) Ashok Chakra (d) Shaurya Chakra	<b>Ashok Chakra</b>
<b>79</b>	Colonel Sofiya Qureshi is to be conferred with which medal?	(a) Sena Medal (b) Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (c) Vishisht Seva Medal (d) Shaurya Chakra	<b>Vishisht Seva Medal</b>
<b>80</b>	Who unfurled the Tricolour with the President on Republic Day 2026?	(a) Nisha Yadav (b) Akshita Dhankar (c) Anjali Verma (d) Kavya Mehta	<b>Akshita Dhankar</b>