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CURRENT AFFAIRS 2018 SELECTED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS - 06

Sports, Books, Authors & Events etc (2017-18)

01. Who is the Secretary General of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)?

Dilip Chenoy

- ✓ The FICCI is headquartered in New Delhi.

02. Who is the current chairman of the NABARD?

Harsh Kumar Bhanwala

- ✓ NABARD (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development) was formed on July 12, 1982 on the recommendations of the Sivaraman Committee.
- ✓ It is headquartered in Mumbai.

03. Name the first mission planned by the ISRO to study the sun.

Aditya-L1

04. Name the world's most influential non-political eco-conservation movement which celebrated 45th anniversary in March, 2018.

Chipko Movement

- ✓ It was started in 1973.
- ✓ The founder of the Chipko Movement - Sunderlal Bahuguna

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05. In which country has Abdel Fattah al-Sisi been re-elected as the president for a second term?

Egypt

Who are the current heads of the following international organizations?

06. The Executive Director of the UNICEF

Anthony Lake

- ✓ UNICEF stands for United Nations International Children's Fund.
- ✓ The headquarters of UNICEF - New York

07. The Director-General of the WTO

Roberto Azevêdo

- ✓ The headquarters of the WTO - Geneva

08. The President of the World Bank

Jim Yong Kim

- ✓ The Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) - Christine Lagarde

09. The Secretary General of the Amnesty International

Salil Shetty

- ✓ The Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency - Yukiya Amano

10. The President of the Federation Inter-nationale de Football Association (FIFA)

Gianni Infantino

- ✓ The President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) - Thomas Bach

11. The Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

Jose Graziano

- ✓ The Director-General of the International Labour Organization (ILO)

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- Guy Ryder

12. The President of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Takehiko Nakao

- ✓ The Executive Director of UNEP - Erik Solheim

Write down the authors of the following books

13. *Do What I Do*

Raghuram Rajan

- ✓ He was the Governor of the RBI from 2013 to 2016.
- ✓ Exam Warriors - Narendra Modi

14. Why I am Hindu

Shashi Tharoor

- ✓ An Era of Darkness: The British Empire in India - Shashi Tharoor

15. The Coalition Years

Pranab Mukherjee

- ✓ The Turbulent Years: 1980 - 1996, The Dramatic Decade : The Indira Gandhi Years - Pranab Mukherjee

16. Unstoppable: My Life So Far

Maria Sharapova

- ✓ My Life: Queen of the Court - Serena Williams

17. Faster than Lightning

Usain Bolt

- ✓ A Century Is Not Enough - Sourav Ganguly
- ✓ Imperfect - Sanjay Manjrekar
- ✓ Playing It My Way - Sachin Tendulkar

18. The President is Missing

Bill Clinton

- ✓ What Happened - Hillary Clinton

19. Becoming

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Michelle Obama

- ✓ The Lowland - Jhumpa Lahiri

20. Selection Day

Aravind Adiga

- ✓ Half Girlfriend - Chetan Bhagat

21. Hit Refresh

Sathya Nadella

- ✓ The Ministry of Utmost Happiness - Arundhati Roy

22. Which team has won the U-19 World Cup Cricket in 2018?

India

- ✓ Runners up - Australia

23. Who is appointed as the first independent female Director of the ICC?

Indra Nooyi

24. Which team has recently won the Sultan Azlan Shah cup Hockey in 2018?

Australia

- ✓ Runners up - England

25. Which eminent sports person has recently been honoured with the Laureus world sportsman of the year 2018?

Roger Federer

- ✓ Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year 2018 - Serena Williams

26. Who has been awarded the Ballon d'Or award 2017?

Cristiano Ronaldo (Portuguese footballer)

- ✓ UEFA 2016-17 player of the year - Cristiano Ronaldo

Write down the winners of the following Grand Slam Titles

27. French Open men's singles, 2017

Rafael Nadal (Spanish)

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✓ Women's singles, 2017- Jelena Ostapenko (Latvian)

28. US open women's singles, 2017

Sloane Stephens (American)

✓ Men - Rafael Nadal

29. Australian open men's singles, 2018

Roger Federer

✓ Women's singles, 2018 - Caroline Wozniacki (Danish)

30. Which country has won the FIFA U- 17 World Cup 2017?

England

✓ England defeated Brazil in the final match.

31. Who has won the title 'Formula One World Drivers' Championship 2017?

Lewis Hamilton

32. Which city will host the 2022 Commonwealth Games?

Birmingham (England)

✓ Commonwealth Games 2018 - Gold Coast (Australia)

33. Name the venue of the first ice T- 10 cricket tournament held in 2018.

St. Moritz (in Switzerland)

34. Which team has won the T20 Blind World Cup title held in 2017?

India

✓ India defeated Pakistan in the final.

35. Which team won the Asia cup men's hockey title in 2017?

India (defeated Malaysia in the final)

✓ Asia cup women's winner in 2017 - India (defeated China in the final)

36. Which state will host the 36th national games?

Goa (will be held from Nov. 4 - 17, 2018)

✓ The venue of the 35th National Games - Kerala

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37. Who was the inaugural recipient of the BCCI Lifetime Achievement award for women in 2017?

Shantha Rangaswamy

- ✓ She was the first captain of the Indian women's cricket team.

38. Which team has won the 72nd Santosh Trophy in 2018?

Kerala

- ✓ Runners up - Bengal

39. Which player has recently clinched the India Open World Superseries title?

P.V. Sindhu

- ✓ P.V. Sindhu defeated Carolina Marin of Spain in the final.

40. Which female cricketer has become the leading wicket-taker in women's (ODIs)?

Jhulan Goswami (from India)

- ✓ The highest run scorer in women's One-Day Internationals (ODIs) - Mithali Raj

41. Which former Indian track and field sprinter has recently been appointed as the WHO goodwill ambassador for physical activity in South-East Asia Region?

Milkha Singh

- ✓ Milkha Singh is popularly known as 'the Flying Sikh'.

42. Which team has recently won the Indian Super League 2018?

Chennaiyin FC

- ✓ Runners up - Mumbai City FC

43. Name the first Indian woman to become a member of the ICC last year.

Nita Ambani

- ✓ She is the owner of the Mumbai Indians cricket team.

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44. Who inaugurated the first edition of the Khelo India School Games in New Delhi?

Narendra Modi (in 2018 January)

- ✓ Haryana became the overall champion in the games.

45. Who was honoured with the first Lifetime Achievement Award instituted by the Badminton Association of India (BAI)?

Prakash Padukone (in 2017)

46. Who has won the best sportsman award in the inaugural edition of Indian Sports Honours, 2017 held in Mumbai?

Kidambi Srikanth

- ✓ Sportswoman - P.V. Sindhu
- ✓ Team of the year - Indian Women's Cricket Team
- ✓ Saina Nehwal defeated P.V. Sindhu at the 2018 Commonwealth Games women's singles badminton final.

47. Who have been honoured with the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award for 2017?

Devendra Jhajharia (paralympic javelin thrower) & Sardar Singh (hockey player)

48. Which team has defeated Indian cricket team in the 2017 Women's World Cup Cricket?

England

- ✓ The present Indian women's cricket team captain - Mithali Raj

49. Which team has won the Indian Premier League title 2017?

Mumbai Indians

- ✓ Runners up - Rising Pune Supergiants

50. Which Indian olympian clinched the gold medal in the 62 kg women's freestyle category at the Commonwealth Wrestling Championship

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2017?

Deepa Malik

51. Who was the Indian billiards player to be honoured with Padma Bhushan in 2018.

Pankaj Advani

✓ The famous sports persons to get the Padma awards in 2018

M.S. Dhoni (Padma Bhushan), S.M. Chanu, Somdev Devvarman, Kidambi Srikanth (Padama shri).

52. Name the programme launched to revive the sports culture India at the grass-root level by building a strong framework for all sports played in our country and establish India as a great sporting nation.

Khelo India

53. Who has become the youngest captain in the history of international cricket?

Rashid Khan (Afghan)

✓ Afghanistan and Ireland teams have recently got test status by the ICC.

54. Who has become the fastest batsman to score 7000 runs in ODI cricket?

Hashim Amla (South African player)

✓ He broke the record held by Virat Kohli.

55. Which city will host the 2020 Summer Olympic Games?

Tokyo (in Japan)

✓ 2024 - Paris

56. What is the position of India in the commonwealth games 2018?

Third

✓ India won 26 gold, 20 silver and 20 bronze medals (total 66 medals)

✓ First position - Australia (80 gold, 59 silver, 59 bronze- total 198)

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- ✓ Second position - England (45 gold, 45 silver, 46 bronze - total 136)
57. Who became the first Indian javelin thrower to claim a gold medal at the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Neeraj Chopra

- ✓ The first Indian Para athlete to clinch a paralympic medal at the 2018 Commonwealth games- Sachin Chaudhary
- ✓ The Indian boxer who won the gold medal women's 45-48 kg category in the Commonwealth games 2018 - Mary Kom

58. Who was India's flagbearer at the closing ceremony of the 21st Commonwealth Games 2018?

Mary Kom

- ✓ Mohammad Anas became the second Indian after legendary Milkha Singh to qualify for 400m finals at the 2018 - Commonwealth games.

59. Name the first batsman to score 10,000 runs in T20 cricket.

Chris Gayle

60. Which team has won the Champions Trophy in 2017?

Pakistan

- ✓ Runners up - India

61. Name the cricket player who has recently won the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy by the International Cricket Council.

Virat Kohli

- ✓ Test player of the year - Steve Smith (Australia)
- ✓ ODI Player of the Year - Virat Kohli (India)

62. Name the Indian cricket players who have won the Wisden's leading cricketers of the year.

Virat Kohli and Mithali Raj

Write down the countries which are associated with the following military exercise held in 2017

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63. Yudh Aabyas

India & USA

- ✓ Prabal Dostyk - India & Kazakhstan
- ✓ Malabar - India, Japan & USA

63. Sampriti

India & Bangladesh

- ✓ Ajeya Warrior - India & Britain

65. Nomadic Elephant

India & Mangolia

- ✓ Surya Kiran -India & Nepal
- ✓ Maitree - India & Thailand
- ✓ Slinex - India & Sri Lanka
- ✓ Khanjar - India & Kyrgyzstan
- ✓ Hand in Hand - India & China

66. Ekuverin

India &Maldives

- ✓ Indra - India &Russia
- ✓ Lamitye - India & Seychelles
- ✓ Konkan - India & Britain

Who are currently holding the following positions?

67. President of Argentina

Mauricio Macri

- ✓ The President of Afghanistan - Mohammad Ashraf Ghani

68. Prime Minister of Israel

Benjamin Netanyahu

- ✓ The present President of Iraq - Fuad Masum
- ✓ The Prime Minister of Iraq - Haider al-Abadi

69. Prime Minister of Pakistan

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Shahid Khaqan Abbasi

- ✓ The current president of Pakistan - Mamnoon Hussain

70. Prime Minister of Nepal

Khadga Prasad Sharma Oli

- ✓ The present President of Nepal - Bidhya Devi Bhandari

71. President of Sri Lanka

Maithripala Sirisena

- ✓ The Prime Minister of Sri Lanka - Ranil Wickremesinghe

72. President of Iran

Hassan Rouhani

- ✓ The President of China - Xi Jinping

73. President of Russia

Vladimir Putin

- ✓ The Prime Minister of Russia - Dmitry Medvedev

- ✓ The Present President of Mauritius - Barlen Vyapoor

74. Prime Minister of the United Kingdom

Theresa May

- ✓ The President of USA - Donald Trump

75. Prime Minister of Australia

Malcolm Turnbull

- ✓ The President of France - Emmanuel Macron

76. Prime Minister of Malaysia

Mahathir Mohamad

Write the venues of the following summits

77. CHOGM 2018 (The Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting 2018)

London

- ✓ CHOGM 2020 - Malaysia

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78. 10th BRICS summit 2018

South Africa

- ✓ The 9th Annual BRICS summit 2017 - Xiamen (in China)
- ✓ 8th BRICS summit 2016 - India

79. NAM summit 2019

Azerbaijan

80. G-20 summit 2018

Buenos Aires, Argentina

- ✓ G-20 summit 2017 - Germany

81. G-7 summit 2018

Canada

- ✓ G-7 summit 2017 - Italy
- ✓ G-7 summit 2019 - France
- ✓ G-7 summit 2020 - The United States
- ✓ G-7 summit 2021 - The United Kingdom

82. ASEAN summit 2018

Singapore

- ✓ ASEAN summit 2017 - Philippines

The other important summits and venues

- ✓ Asian Development Bank (ADB) annual meeting 2018 - Manila (Philippines)
- ✓ ADB annual meeting 2017 - Yokohama (in Japan)
- ✓ ADB annual meeting 2019 - Nadi, Fiji
- ✓ NATO summit 2018 - Belgium
- ✓ NATO summit 2017 - Belgium
- ✓ OPEC International seminar 2018 - Vienna, Austria

83. Which state has launched the first ever Water Metro Project in the country?

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Kerala

- ✓ Kerala CM Pinarayi Vijayan has launched the Water Metro Project at Kochi.

84. Who has become the second Indian artist to perform at the iconic UN General Assembly hall?

A.R. Rahman

- ✓ First Indian - M.S. Subbulakshmi

85. Which is the first Indian state to draft its own Internal Security Act?

Maharashtra

- ✓ The first Indian state to provide free treatment to Hepatitis C patients - Punjab

86. Name the famous playback singer to be credited by the Guinness Book of Records for singing 17695 songs in 12 Indian languages.

P. Susheela

87. Name the pilot project launched by the Ministry of Environment of India to develop and enhance standards of cleanliness on beaches.

Blue Flag

- ✓ Union Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change - Dr. Harsh Vardhan

88. Which country will host the 2018 ASEAN - India Pravasi Bharatiya Divas?

Singapore

89. Which country has recently opened the world's tallest and longest glass bridge?

China

- ✓ The country which developed the world's largest amphibious aircraft - China

90. Who has written the story and co-produced the film '99 songs'?

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A.R. Rahman

- ✓ The '99 songs' is an Indian romantic musical film directed by V. Krishnamoorthy.
- ✓ The Mozart of Madras - A.R. Rahman

91. Where will India's first sea bridge runway set up?

Agatti airport (in Lakshadweep)

92. Which commission investigated the 'honey trap' case that resulted in the resignation of A.K. Saseendran, the former transport minister of Kerala ?

P.S. Antony commission

93. Which Malayalam movie's songs have been nominated for the Academy Awards for the year 2018?

Pulimurugan (directed by Vysakh)

- ✓ Two songs of Pulimurugan, 'Kaadanyam Kaalchilambe' and 'Maanathe Maarikurumbe', composed by Gopi Sundar, are part of the original score list of the Oscar awards.

94. Which film actress has recently received the Mother Teresa Memorial award for social justice?

Priyanka Chopra

- ✓ The Indian playback singer who has recently won the Sringeri Sharada peetam award - K.S. Chitra

95. Which state has recently launched the scheme, called *Safe City Surveillance Scheme*, for checking crime against women?

Bihar

- ✓ The state to launch the *Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojana* to protect vegetable-growing farmers from losses on account of drop in prices - Haryana

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96. Name the new mobile game introduced by Sachin Tendulkar, based on his glittering cricket career.

Sachin Saga Cricket Champions

- ✓ The first Indian woman to win gold at the Senior Asian Wrestling Championship held in 2018 - Navjot Kaur

Name the Union Cabinet Ministers who are holding the following portfolios

97. Minister for Road Transport and Highways

Nitin Gadkari

- ✓ He also holds the portfolios of Shipping, Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.
- ✓ Minister of Home Affairs - Raj Nath Singh
- ✓ Minister of External Affairs - Sushma Swaraj

98. Minister of Railways

Piyush Goyal

- ✓ Department of Atomic Energy - Narendra Modi
- ✓ Minister of Women and Child Development - Maneka Gandhi

99. Minister of Law and Justice

Ravi Shankar Prasad

- ✓ Minister of Health and Family Welfare - J.P. Nadda

100. Minister of Defence

Nirmala Sitharaman

- ✓ Minister of Textiles - Smriti Zubin Irani
- ✓ Minister of Tribal Affairs - Jual Oram

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