

December 16, 2024, Current Affairs

1. Who was appointed as the new Prime Minister of France by Emmanuel Macron?

- a) Michel Barnier
- b) Jean-Luc Mélenchon
- c) Francois Bayrou
- d) Édouard Philippe

2. What is the main focus of the National Conference of Chief Secretaries chaired by PM Modi in December 2024?

- a) Urban infrastructure development
- b) Cooperative federalism and unified development agenda
- c) Defence strategy and border security
- d) Renewable energy technologies

3. Which state recently launched the 21st Livestock Census campaign?

- a) Rajasthan
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Haryana
- d) Maharashtra

4. How many ministers were inducted into the Maharashtra cabinet led by Devendra Fadnavis in 2024?

- a) 42
- b) 39
- c) 30
- d) 43

5. What is the increased collateral-free agricultural loan limit announced by the RBI?

- a) ₹1.6 lakh
- b) ₹3.0 lakh
- c) ₹2.5 lakh
- d) ₹2.0 lakh

6. What is the name of the Indian Navy's latest survey ship to be commissioned on December 18, 2024?

- a) INS Viraat
- b) INS Shakti
- c) INS Vikrant
- d) INS Nirdeshak

7. Who has been appointed as the principal secretary in the Maharashtra Chief Minister's Office?

- a) Brijesh Singh
- b) Ashwini Bhide
- c) Vikas Kharge
- d) Shrikar Pardeshi

8. What was one of the major projects inaugurated by PM Modi in Prayagraj for Mahakumbh 2025?

- a) Kumbh Sahayak chatbot
- b) Metro rail
- c) Solar power plant
- d) International airport terminal

9. Which English cricketer was recently appointed as the fielding coach for Mumbai Indians?

- a) Paul Collingwood
- b) James Pamment
- c) Carl Hopkinson
- d) Nick Compton

10. Which Indian airport will pilot the 'Udaan Yatri Café'?

- a) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
- b) Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai
- c) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkata
- d) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru

11. Which bill was passed by the Lok Sabha to amend the Disaster Management Act, 2005?

- a) Disaster Mitigation Bill, 2024
- b) Disaster Management (Amendment) Bill, 2024
- c) National Disaster Relief Bill, 2024
- d) Disaster Resilience Act, 2024

12. When will the 5th edition of Khelo India Winter Games start in Ladakh?

- a) January 23, 2025
- b) February 22, 2025
- c) March 1, 2025
- d) December 15, 2024

13. Who organizes the Divya Kala Mela?

- a) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
- b) Ministry of Culture
- c) Department of Women and Child Development
- d) Ministry of Skill Development

14. What is the new collateral-free agricultural loan limit announced by the RBI?

- a) ₹1.6 lakh
- b) ₹2 lakh
- c) ₹2.5 lakh
- d) ₹3 lakh

15. Which organization developed the Indian Light Tank?

- a) Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
- b) Ordnance Factory Board
- c) Larsen & Toubro
- d) DRDO's Combat Vehicles Research and Development Establishment

16. Which Pakistani cricketer recently reached 100 T20 wickets?

- a) Shadab Khan
- b) Shaheen Afridi
- c) Haris Rauf
- d) Mohammad Nawaz

17. When is National Energy Conservation Day celebrated in India?

- a) December 12
- b) December 13
- c) December 14
- d) December 15

18. Which fighter jet was procured by the Indian Air Force in a ₹13,500 crore deal with HAL?

- a) Rafale
- b) Tejas
- c) Mirage 2000
- d) Sukhoi Su-30MKI

19. What is the purpose of the Udaan Yatri Cafés announced by the Civil Aviation Ministry?

- a) Luxury dining at airports
- b) Providing free meals to passengers
- c) Promoting regional cuisines
- d) Affordable refreshments for passengers

20. Who released the book *Dalai Lama's Secret to Happiness*?

- a) Dr. Dinesh Shahra
- b) Dalai Lama
- c) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
- d) Dr. Raghuram Rajan

Answer Keys:

1. **Answer:** c) Francois Bayrou
2. **Answer:** b) Cooperative federalism and unified development agenda
3. **Answer:** c) Haryana
4. **Answer:** a) 42
5. **Answer:** d) ₹2.0 lakh
6. **Answer:** d) INS Nirdeshak
7. **Answer:** b) Ashwini Bhide
8. **Answer:** a) Kumbh Sahayak chatbot
9. **Answer:** c) Carl Hopkinson
10. **Answer:** c) Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkata

11. **Answer:** b) Disaster Management (Amendment) Bill, 2024
12. **Answer:** a) January 23, 2025
13. **Answer:** a) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
14. **Answer:** b) ₹2 lakh
15. **Answer:** d) DRDO's Combat Vehicles Research and Development Establishment
16. **Answer:** b) Shaheen Afridi
17. **Answer:** c) December 14
18. **Answer:** d) Sukhoi Su-30MKI
19. **Answer:** d) Affordable refreshments for passengers
20. **Answer:** a) Dr. Dinesh Shahra