General Awareness — Free Notes

Static GK, current affairs, Indian polity, history, geography, economy, banking awareness and basic science.

Key topics

Indian Polity: Constitution articles, Fundamental Rights (Art. 12-35), DPSP, Parliament, President, Supreme Court, constitutional bodies.

History: Indus Valley, Mauryas, Guptas, Delhi Sultanate, Mughals, freedom struggle milestones (1857, 1905, 1920, 1942, 1947).

Geography: Rivers and dams, national parks, soils, monsoon, states and capitals, important passes.

Economy & Banking: RBI functions, repo/reverse repo, CRR/SLR, budget terms, GDP, inflation, financial inclusion schemes.

General Science: Units, human body systems, vitamins and diseases, basic physics and chemistry facts.

Current Affairs: Last 6-8 months: government schemes, appointments, awards, sports, summits, reports and indices.

Study tips

• Read one newspaper daily and keep one-line notes.
• Revise static GK in short weekly cycles.
• Learn current affairs month-wise, not randomly.

Practice questions

1. Which Article of the Indian Constitution abolishes untouchability?
(A) Article 14 (B) Article 17 (C) Article 19 (D) Article 21
Answer: B. Article 17 abolishes untouchability and forbids its practice in any form.

2. Who regulates the repo rate in India?
(A) SEBI (B) Ministry of Finance (C) Reserve Bank of India (D) NITI Aayog
Answer: C. The RBI's Monetary Policy Committee sets the repo rate.

3. The Quit India Movement was launched in which year?
(A) 1920 (B) 1930 (C) 1942 (D) 1947
Answer: C. Gandhi launched the Quit India Movement on 8 August 1942.

4. Which vitamin deficiency causes scurvy?
(A) Vitamin A (B) Vitamin B12 (C) Vitamin C (D) Vitamin D
Answer: C. Scurvy is caused by lack of Vitamin C (ascorbic acid).

5. Which is the longest river flowing entirely within India?
(A) Godavari (B) Ganga (C) Krishna (D) Narmada
Answer: B. The Ganga is the longest river in India; Godavari is the longest in peninsular India.

6. CRR is the share of deposits a bank must keep with:
(A) Itself as cash (B) The RBI (C) SBI (D) The Finance Ministry
Answer: B. Cash Reserve Ratio is held with the RBI; SLR is kept by the bank itself in liquid assets.

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