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2017 – 2025 | 8 Years of Questions | Trend Analysis | 2026 Predictions



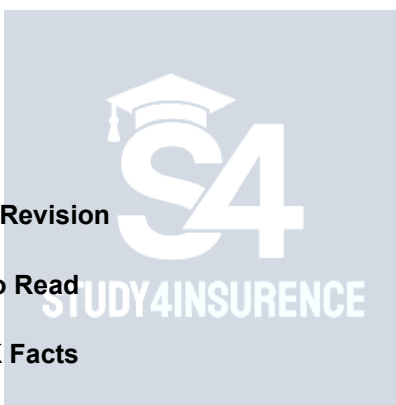
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**SECTION 1: Category-wise Distribution (2017–2025)**

The following table shows how many questions were asked from each topic category across 8 years. This helps you prioritise your preparation.

Category	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2019	2018	2017	TOTAL
Economy/Finance & Banking	8	14	12	10	8	12	6	8	78
Polity / Govt / Constitution	7	3	5	5	4	3	3	5	35
Geography (India + World)	8	7	5	8	5	5	2	6	46
Insurance (IRDAI / Products)	4	1	3	3	2	2	3	2	20
Science & Technology	5	5	3	2	3	2	2	2	24
Sports & Games	6	5	4	3	4	2	3	3	30
International Affairs	6	5	4	4	4	5	3	4	35
Govt Schemes / Initiatives	3	2	4	4	4	3	4	5	29
History & Culture	4	4	3	4	3	2	3	3	26
Awards & Honours	3	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	15
Books & Authors	1	0	2	2	3	1	2	2	13
Current Affairs (Misc)	3	5	3	3	3	3	2	3	25

**Key Insight from Distribution**

- Economy/Finance & Banking is the BIGGEST category – appears every year with 8-14 questions
- Geography questions are extremely consistent – expect 5-8 questions every attempt
- Govt Schemes and Insurance (IRDAI) are Para 13.2 specific – never skip these
- Sports & Awards together contribute 5-7 questions per year – easy marks
- Polity/Constitution appears every year with 3-7 questions

SECTION 2: Most Repeated Topics (2017–2025)

Topics that appeared in multiple years must be your first priority. Never leave these for 2026 exam.

Repeated Topic	Years Appeared	Priority
RBI – Rates, Functions, Offices	2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	Every Year
NABARD / SIDBI / SEBI Functions	2017, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024	Very High
Insurance Industry Nationalisation / IRDAI	2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	Every Year
SAARC / BIMSTEC / SCO Members	2017, 2021, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
Olympic Games Host City / Year	2018, 2019, 2021, 2024	High
Capital & Currency of Countries	2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2024	High
GST – Year, Slabs, Collections	2019, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
National Parks / Tiger Reserves / Sanctuaries	2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	Every Year
Classical Dances of India	2021, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
Gallantry Awards / National Awards	2021, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
Books & Authors (especially eminent personalities)	2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023	High
UPI / IMPS / NACH / Digital Payments	2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	Very High
Govt Schemes (Mudra, APY, PMKVY, SSY etc.)	2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	Every Year
Rivers of India – Origin / States	2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
Space Missions / ISRO / Defence	2021, 2023, 2024, 2025	High
Sports Awards (Arjuna / Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna)	2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025	High

SECTION 3: Year-wise Questions with Answers

Year: 2025

Note: Heavy on current affairs + Insurance specific + Static GK mix

#	Question	Answer
1	World's first 3D Printed Steel Bridge was inaugurated in which city?	Amsterdam, Netherlands
2	Which Indian companies ranked in Top 100 of Fortune 500 list?	LIC (95th) and Reliance Industries (96th)
3	Smart Cities Mission is administered by which Ministry?	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)
4	National Insurance Company has only one foreign branch – in which country?	Nepal
5	Which country was the highest rice producer in 2024-25?	India
6	Saksham is an app developed by which constitutional body?	Election Commission of India (ECI) – for Persons with Disabilities
7	e-Utthaan portal is created for which section of society?	Development Action Plan for Scheduled Castes (SC)
8	Which of the following are Maharatna Companies – HAL, Coal India, NTPC?	All of the above
9	One Stop Centres (for distressed women) are funded under which fund?	Nirbhaya Fund
10	How many non-permanent members does the UNSC have?	10 members (current batch includes Bahrain, Colombia, DRC, Latvia, Liberia)
11	How many offices does RBI have across India?	33 offices
12	How many cards can be tokenized under RBI's tokenization framework?	No limit – any number of cards can be tokenized
13	Which item attracts 5% GST?	Handmade Shawl
14	What is UDGM portal launched by RBI?	Portal for tracking unclaimed deposits across banks
15	What is the maximum Sum Insured under Personal Accident (PA) common limit?	₹1,00,00,000 (₹1 Crore)
16	Who is the current Chairman of NHAI?	Shri Santosh Kumar Yadav
17	Who among the following was NOT President of India – Krishan Kant / APJ Abdul Kalam / Pranab Mukherjee?	Krishan Kant (he was Vice President of India, not President)
18	Who is the current Chairperson of the Lokpal of India?	Justice Ajay Manikrao Khanwilkar
19	In GMWR (General Manager's Working Rules), what does 'R' stand for?	Regulation
20	Dal Lake is a ___ type lake located in ___.	Freshwater lake located in Jammu & Kashmir
21	How many countries are members of SAARC?	8 member countries
22	Where is the headquarters of ICC (International Cricket Council)?	Dubai, UAE

#	Question	Answer
23	Kanger Valley National Park is located in which state?	Chhattisgarh
24	Name India's wartime gallantry awards in descending order.	Param Vir Chakra > Maha Vir Chakra > Vir Chakra (wartime); Ashoka Chakra > Kirti Chakra > Shaurya Chakra (peacetime)
25	Which rivers from India flow toward Pakistan?	Indus, Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi, and Sutlej
26	Padma Shri Shobana is famous in which field?	Bharatanatyam dance and cinema
27	India's longest sea bridge is:	Atal Setu (Mumbai Trans Harbour Link)
28	How many institutions are part of the World Bank Group?	5 – IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA, ICSID
29	Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) involves India and how many ASEAN nations? Is Japan a member?	5 ASEAN nations (Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam). Japan is NOT a member.
30	Which mountain range separates Asia and Europe?	Ural Mountains
31	State of the Global Climate report is published by:	World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
32	National War Memorial and SAI headquarters are located in:	New Delhi
33	In which year was Jharkhand bifurcated from Bihar?	2000
34	Which country won the most gold medals at ISSF 2025?	China
35	The 2025 Khelo India University Games were held in:	Jaipur, Rajasthan
36	Yuzvendra Chahal plays IPL for which team?	Punjab Kings (Super Kings)
37	World Tolerance Day is observed on:	16 November
38	V.D. Savarkar authored which famous historical book?	The Indian War of Independence 1857
39	The iconic 'Common Man' cartoon was created by:	R.K. Laxman
40	ChatGPT is developed by:	OpenAI
41	Eutelsat Quantum is a satellite project of:	European Space Agency (ESA)
42	La Pérouse is a naval exercise between India and:	France
43	Operation Ajay was launched to evacuate Indians from:	Israel
44	Which is the world's largest aircraft carrier?	USS Gerald R. Ford (USA)
45	Who received the Arjuna Award in Hockey (2024)?	Jarmanpreet Singh, Salima Tete, Sukhjeet Singh
46	Who won the 2024 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction?	Percival Everett
47	In which year were 107 existing insurers nationalised into 4 PSU companies?	1973
48	Dhankhar Monastery is located in:	Himachal Pradesh

Year: 2024

Note: Heavy on banking, economy, and geography. Mix of current and static.

#	Question	Answer
1	PRAN (Permanent Retirement Account Number) has how many digits?	12 digits
2	India's first digital PACS (Primary Agricultural Credit Society) was set up at:	Dharwad, Karnataka
3	A rainbow is formed due to which optical phenomenon?	Dispersion and reflection of sunlight through water droplets
4	Indira Sagar Dam is located in which state?	Madhya Pradesh (on Narmada river)
5	FIFA 2026 World Cup will be hosted by:	Canada (along with USA and Mexico)
6	PM Shram Yogi Mandhan pension scheme is implemented through:	LIC (Life Insurance Corporation)
7	Air India merged with which private airline in 2024?	Vistara
8	AI-powered Krishi service for farmers is broadcast on:	Doordarshan
9	Prithvi is classified as which type of Indian missile?	Surface-to-surface short-range ballistic missile (developed by DRDO)
10	Sam Altman is the CEO of which company?	OpenAI
11	World Cities Day is observed on:	31 October
12	World Wildlife Day is observed on:	3 March
13	Which is the oldest museum in India?	Indian Museum, Kolkata (established 1814)
14	Which national park in India was the site of India's first safari?	Jim Corbett National Park, Uttarakhand
15	India's first Tiger Reserve is:	Jim Corbett National Park (1973)
16	RuPay card was in the news as the official payment partner of:	IPL (Indian Premier League)
17	Godavari river originates from:	Trimbakeshwar, Nashik, Maharashtra
18	In which year was GST implemented in India?	1 July 2017
19	DigiLocker was launched in which year?	2015
20	Lord Buddha delivered his first sermon at:	Sarnath, Uttar Pradesh
21	Shiva Thapa is a national champion in which sport?	Boxing
22	Which city is called the 'City of Joy'?	Kolkata
23	World Economic Forum (WEF) is headquartered at:	Davos/Geneva, Switzerland
24	RBI completed how many years of its establishment recently?	90 years (RBI established 1 April 1935)
25	Who regulates Cooperative Banks in India?	NABARD (State/District cooperative) and RBI (Urban Cooperative Banks)
26	What is the NACH mandate limit per transaction?	₹1 Crore
27	Andaman and Nicobar Islands are separated by which channel?	Ten Degree Channel
28	NBFCs in India are registered and regulated by:	RBI (Reserve Bank of India)
29	AEPS (Aadhaar Enabled Payment System) allows which transactions?	All – cash withdrawal, balance enquiry, fund transfer (using Aadhaar biometric)
30	What was the Bank Rate approximately in 2024?	6.75%

#	Question	Answer
31	BIMSTEC Secretariat is located in:	Dhaka, Bangladesh
32	Who is the Lieutenant Governor of Jammu & Kashmir?	Manoj Sinha
33	How many Fundamental Rights are guaranteed in the Indian Constitution?	6 Fundamental Rights
34	Who is Birju Maharaj famous for?	Kathak classical dance
35	Kuchipudi is a classical dance form of which state?	Andhra Pradesh
36	SCO Secretariat is headquartered at:	Beijing, China (Astana was summit location)
37	Lal Qila (Red Fort, Delhi) was built by:	Shah Jahan (Mughal Emperor)
38	FATF issues how many recommendations?	40 recommendations
39	What is India's rank in Travel & Tourism Competitiveness Index?	39
40	Indian National Congress was founded in:	1885
41	Who was the first Governor of the Reserve Bank of India?	Sir Osborne Smith
42	Which planet has the most moons (2024 data)?	Saturn (146 moons) – but Uranus also in news

Year: 2023

Note: Strong on schemes, financial institutions, geography, and science.

#	Question	Answer
1	LORA (Long Range Artillery) missile is developed by which country?	Israel
2	India's first liquid mirror telescope was set up in:	Uttarakhand
3	Capital of Germany:	Berlin
4	WPI (Wholesale Price Index) is released:	Monthly
5	How many PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile) Parks are being set up?	7
6	Bakhira Bird Sanctuary is in:	Uttar Pradesh
7	Grammy Awards are given for excellence in:	Music
8	Which state set up India's first greenfield grain-based ethanol plant?	Bihar
9	Who is the ex-officio Chairman of Rajya Sabha?	Vice President (currently Jagdeep Dhankhar)
10	What are the primary GST slabs?	5%, 12%, 18%, and 28%
11	OPEC headquarters is in:	Vienna, Austria
12	ICAR stands for:	Indian Council of Agricultural Research
13	SAFTA (South Asian Free Trade Area) is an arrangement under:	SAARC

#	Question	Answer
14	Khari Baoli is a famous spice market in:	New Delhi
15	NACH stands for:	National Automated Clearing House
16	Election Commission of India has how many members?	3 (Chief Election Commissioner + 2 Election Commissioners)
17	SpaceX is founded and led by:	Elon Musk
18	Vijay Hazare Trophy is associated with:	Cricket (One-Day Domestic Tournament)
19	RBI was nationalised in which year?	1949
20	NMDC's brand ambassador is:	Champion Boxer Nikhat Zareen
21	PFRDA Act was passed on:	19 September 2013
22	Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana (PMVVY) is a pension scheme for:	Senior Citizens (60+ years)
23	'The Indian Struggle' is a book written by:	Subhas Chandra Bose
24	VIVO Pro Kabaddi 2022 Winner:	Jaipur Pink Panthers
25	Sattriya dance is a classical form from:	Assam
26	SSLV-D2 was launched from:	Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SHAR), Sriharikota
27	NPS replaced Defined Benefit Pension from:	1 January 2004
28	Daily transaction limit on UPI123pay (feature phones):	₹1,00,000 per day
29	National Science Day is celebrated on:	28 February
30	Which bank introduced Face Authentication for Aadhaar services?	Airtel Payments Bank
31	McMahon Line is the de facto border between:	India and China
32	International Solar Alliance (ISA) was jointly initiated by:	India and France
33	How many airports became operational under UDAN scheme?	73
34	1st Asian Games were held from March 4-11, 1951 in:	New Delhi, India
35	Number of biosphere reserves in India:	18
36	NABARD provides finance for:	Agriculture and rural development
37	SIDBI is the principal institution for financing:	MSME (Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises) sector
38	Super senior citizens (80+) have tax-free income up to:	₹5 Lakh
39	Hampi temples are located in:	Karnataka
40	National Library of India is in:	Kolkata
41	Right to Privacy was declared a Fundamental Right in:	2017 (Justice K.S. Puttaswamy case)
42	Jhumpa Lahiri is a:	Pulitzer Prize-winning author
43	G20's first International Financial Architecture Working Group meeting under India's G20 Presidency was held in:	Chandigarh
44	GSMA Government Leadership Award 2023 was won by:	India

#	Question	Answer
45	PM's National Relief Fund (PMNRF) was established in:	1948
46	Republic Day Parade is organised by:	Ministry of Defence
47	Hindustan 228-201LW aircraft is manufactured by:	HAL (Hindustan Aeronautics Limited)
48	Yanam is located in:	Puducherry

Year: 2022

Note: Balanced static GK – History, Geography, Polity, Finance.

#	Question	Answer
1	Marina Beach is located in:	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
2	Maximum deposit limit for Senior Citizens Savings Scheme (SCSS):	₹15 Lakh (enhanced to ₹30 Lakh in 2023 Budget)
3	NATO stands for:	North Atlantic Treaty Organisation
4	Who was the successor of Mughal Emperor Jahangir?	Shah Jahan
5	Godavari river originates from:	Trimbakeshwar, Nashik, Maharashtra
6	City of Ayodhya is situated on the banks of:	Saryu River
7	Black Pagoda refers to:	Konark Sun Temple, Odisha
8	'Wings of Fire' is the autobiography of:	Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam
9	Sanjay Gandhi National Park is in:	Maharashtra (Mumbai)
10	Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary/Tiger Reserve is in:	West Champaran, Bihar
11	ATMs operated by non-bank entities are called:	White Label ATMs
12	Akbarnama was written by:	Abul Fazl
13	Largest state in India by area:	Rajasthan
14	Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) was launched in:	2015
15	NITI Aayog replaced Planning Commission in:	2015
16	Jayprakash Narayan International Airport is in:	Patna, Bihar
17	White Rann / White Desert is in:	Gujarat (Kutch district)
18	First Lok Sabha Speaker was:	Ganesh Vasudev Mavalankar
19	Pong Dam is built on which river?	Beas River, Himachal Pradesh
20	Belgium's currency:	Euro
21	Quit India Movement was launched in:	1942
22	FDI in Indian Insurance sector is allowed up to:	74%
23	Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is celebrated on:	9 January
24	Aadhaar card has how many digits?	12 digits
25	Hottest planet in the solar system:	Venus

#	Question	Answer
26	Indian Constitution was adopted on:	26 November 1949
27	Which sport is NOT part of the Olympics?	Cricket
28	Largest iron ore producing state in India:	Odisha
29	ASHA stands for:	Accredited Social Health Activist (Social Health Activist)
30	Good Governance Day is related to:	Atal Bihari Vajpayee (his birth anniversary – 25 December)
31	2023 Cricket World Cup was hosted by:	India
32	Humayun's Tomb is located in:	Delhi
33	MGNREGA guarantees how many days of employment per year?	100 days
34	Global Gender Gap Report 2022 – India's rank:	135
35	Bhutan's capital:	Thimphu
36	Budget is first presented in:	Lok Sabha
37	NABARD was created for:	Agricultural finance and rural development
38	UN headquarters is in:	New York, USA
39	Guru Shikhar peak is in:	Sirohi district, Rajasthan (highest peak of Aravalli)
40	Sun Temple is located in:	Konark, Odisha
41	Chief Justice of India is appointed by:	President of India
42	Dadasaheb Phalke Award is given for excellence in:	Cinema (Film)
43	Monetary Policy in India is set by:	RBI (Reserve Bank of India)
44	NPS has how many types of accounts?	2 – Tier I (mandatory) and Tier II (voluntary)
45	Second largest continent by area:	Africa
46	Census in India is conducted every:	10 years

Year: Oct 2021

Note: Insurance sector, geography, sports, digital India.

#	Question	Answer
1	Buxa Tiger Reserve is in:	West Bengal
2	Padma Vibhushan 2021 was awarded to (posthumous):	S.P. Balasubrahmanyam
3	Maximum annual investment limit in PPF:	₹1.5 Lakh
4	National Consumer Rights Day is observed on:	24 December
5	Atal Pension Yojana – eligible age range:	18 to 40 years

#	Question	Answer
6	BIMSTEC member countries:	India, Thailand, Myanmar, Nepal, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, Bhutan (7 countries)
7	GAGAN is a joint project of ISRO and:	Indian Railways – GPS Aided Geo Augmented Navigation
8	Valmiki National Park / Tiger Reserve is in:	West Champaran, Bihar
9	Who won India's first gold at Tokyo Olympics?	India won first gold at 2020 Tokyo Olympics was Neeraj Chopra; China's Yang Qian won overall first gold
10	Maria Sharapova and Roger Federer are associated with:	Tennis
11	BRICS – South Africa is represented by the letter:	S (South Africa)
12	Economic Survey is presented by:	Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance
13	Mahatma Gandhi Setu bridge spans across:	Ganga River (Patna, Bihar)
14	SIDBI headquarters is in:	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
15	Suez Canal connects:	Mediterranean Sea to the Red Sea (divides Africa and Asia)
16	Coins in India are minted at:	Mumbai, Alipore (Kolkata), Saifabad (Hyderabad), Cherlapally (Hyderabad), Noida
17	IMPS allows money transfer:	24×7, including on holidays
18	Who governs the insurance sector in India?	IRDAI (Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India)
19	Which state became the first to accept e-Vahan Bima as digital proof?	Telangana
20	India's first Lokpal:	Pinaki Chandra Ghose
21	2028 Summer Olympics will be held at:	Los Angeles, California, USA
22	Highest polling station in India:	Tashigang, Himachal Pradesh (15,256 feet)
23	SIM stands for:	Subscriber Identification Module
24	Youngest chess grandmaster (at that time):	Abhimanyu Mishra
25	Amazon's project for satellite internet is called:	Project Kuiper

Year: 2019

Note: Mix of banking, geography, sports, international affairs.

#	Question	Answer
1	KYC stands for:	Know Your Customer
2	Highest polling station in 2019 Lok Sabha election:	Tashigang, Himachal Pradesh
3	Man Booker International Prize 2019 winner:	Jokha Alharthi from Oman
4	Mundra Thermal Power Station is in:	Gujarat

#	Question	Answer
5	National Sports Day is celebrated on the birthday of:	Major Dhyan Chand (29 August)
6	Justin Gatlin is related to:	Athletics (sprinting)
7	PMFBY (Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana) covers:	Crop Insurance
8	Jallianwala Bagh massacre occurred in:	1919 (13 April, Amritsar, Punjab)
9	Bargi Multipurpose Project is situated in:	Madhya Pradesh (Narmada river)
10	Ease of Doing Business – top Indian state (2019):	Andhra Pradesh
11	CRISIL's major shareholder is:	Standard & Poor's (S&P Global)
12	Mudra Tarun loan limit:	₹5 Lakh to ₹10 Lakh
13	Manama is the capital of:	Bahrain
14	Uzbekistan's capital:	Tashkent
15	2020 Olympics venue:	Tokyo, Japan
16	FIFA headquarters is in:	Zurich, Switzerland (Note: 2019 exam may have said Paris – verify)
17	Global Risk Report is released by:	World Economic Forum (WEF)
18	UNODC headquarters:	Vienna, Austria
19	What is a Zero-Coupon Bond?	Bond that does not pay periodic interest; pays face value at maturity
20	Atal Pension Yojana is for:	Unorganised sector workers
21	India's first underwater metro tunnel connects:	Kolkata to Howrah
22	Narora Atomic Power Plant is in:	Uttar Pradesh
23	Machu Picchu is in:	Peru
24	2018 Men's Hockey World Cup winner:	Belgium
25	Which city was renamed Prayagraj?	Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh
26	Function of SEBI:	Regulation of Stock Exchange (Securities market regulator)
27	Republic Day national flag is hoisted by:	President of India (at Rajpath / Kartavya Path)
28	Ashoka Pillar is found at:	Sarnath, Uttar Pradesh

Year: Jan 2021

Note: Insurance mergers, schemes, geography, books

1. Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2020 → **Sir David Attenborough**
2. Magalyaan (Mars Orbiter Mission) launched → **2013**
3. Bharti AXA General Insurance merged with → **ICICI Lombard General Insurance**
4. Kutiyattam (Koodiyattam) – classical drama form of → **Kerala**
5. India's first elephant hospital → **Uttar Pradesh (Mathura)**
6. DICGC (Deposit Insurance) is a subsidiary of → **RBI**
7. PMGKY (PM Garib Kalyan Yojana) insurance partner → **New India Assurance**
8. Olympics 2028 → **Los Angeles, California, USA**

9. Gidda Dance is from → **Punjab**
10. CAG of India (2021) → **Girish Chandra Murmu**
11. Wildlife Day → **3 March | MGNREGA**
12. Russia's currency → **Ruble**
13. Article 51A → **Fundamental Duties**
14. BHIM – Bharat Interface for Money (NPCI product)
15. Bharat Bill Payment System → **NPCI**

Year: 2018

Note: Rates, sports, geography, banking, awards

16. Gorakhpur Nuclear Plant → **Haryana**
17. Durand Cup → **Football**
18. DICGC provides → **Insurance for Bank Deposits**
19. Repo Rate definition → **Rate at which RBI lends to banks against govt securities**
20. 2018 Winter Olympics → **PyeongChang, South Korea**
21. RuPay is a product of → **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**
22. SMERA Rating is backed by → **SIDBI**
23. Hindi Diwas → **14 September**
24. Oscar ceremony held at → **Dolby Theatre, Hollywood**
25. Bismillah Khan is associated with → **Shehnai (Varanasi)**
26. Oriental Insurance HO → **New Delhi**
27. New Development Bank → **BRICS**
28. Not a Public Sector Bank → **Karnataka Bank**
29. SEBI max directors → **9 (question context was 5 options; verify)**
30. FDI in Insurance → **74%**
31. France Open (2018) → **Rafael Nadal (Men's Singles)**
32. Aravalli range is in → **Rajasthan**
33. Question on Money Laundering → **PMLA (Prevention of Money Laundering Act)**

Year: 2017

Note: Finance, geography, scheme names, int'l affairs

34. LAF stands for → **Liquidity Adjustment Facility**
35. FDI in Insurance – via automatic route regulated by → **IRDAI (now, earlier FIPB)**
36. Asian Games 2026 → **Aichi-Nagoya, Japan**
37. Min paid-up capital for Health Insurance company → **₹100 Crore**
38. Mongolia capital → **Ulaanbaatar**
39. PMGSY → **Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (rural road development)**
40. Mudra Shishu / Kishore / Tarun → **PM Mudra Yojana (PMMY)**
41. Cuttack is situated on banks of → **Mahanadi**
42. Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana age limit → **Girl child not above 10 years**
43. SAARC members → **8 (Myanmar is NOT a member)**
44. UDAY Scheme → **For DISCOM (Electricity Distribution Companies)**
45. Members nominated to Rajya Sabha by President → **12**
46. PMSBY (PM Suraksha Bima Yojana) not available to → **NRI**
47. CKYC – K stands for → **Know (Know Your Customer Registry)**
48. IMF Managing Director (2017) → **Christine Lagarde**
49. OPEC headquarters → **Vienna, Austria**

- 50. Kanchenjunga peak is in → **Sikkim**
- 51. SDR (Special Drawing Rights) is maintained by → **IMF**
- 52. Commonwealth Games 2018 → **Gold Coast, Australia**
- 53. Hiroshima bomb drop → **Japan (1945)**
- 54. Ebola is a → **Virus**
- 55. Renminbi / Yuan → **Currency of China**
- 56. Shakur Ganguly → **Chess player**
- 57. Nobel Peace Prize (2016) → **Juan Manuel Santos, Colombia**
- 58. First female PM of Britain → **Margaret Thatcher**
- 59. UEFA Euro 2016 winner → **Portugal**



SECTION 4: Topic-wise Important Facts for Revision

RBI & Banking

- RBI established: 1 April 1935 | Nationalised: 1949
- RBI has 33 offices across India
- UDGM Portal: For unclaimed deposits | DigiLocker: 2015
- DICGC: Deposit Insurance – subsidiary of RBI, covers ₹5 Lakh per depositor
- NACH mandate limit: ₹1 Crore
- UPI123Pay (feature phones): ₹1 Lakh daily limit
- IMPS: 24×7 money transfer including holidays
- FATF: 40 recommendations
- First RBI Governor: Sir Osborne Smith

Insurance Sector

- 107 insurers consolidated into 4 PSU companies: 1972 Act (effective 1973)
- The 4 PSU General Insurers: National, Oriental, United India, New India Assurance
- IRDAI: Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (Hyderabad HQ)
- FDI limit in Insurance: 74% (via automatic route)
- National Insurance Company's only foreign branch: Nepal
- Min paid-up capital for health insurance company: ₹100 Crore
- PMFBY: Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana – crop insurance
- Max PA (Personal Accident) common limit: ₹1 Crore
- GMWR – R stands for Regulation

Geography – India

- Largest state (area): Rajasthan | Smallest: Goa
- Longest river: Ganga | Godavari origin: Trimbakeshwar, Nashik
- Atal Setu: India's longest sea bridge (Mumbai Trans Harbour Link)
- Jharkhand formed from Bihar: 2000 | Telangana from AP: 2014
- Dal Lake: Freshwater, Jammu & Kashmir
- Ten Degree Channel: Separates Andaman from Nicobar
- Highest polling station: Tashigang, HP (15,256 ft)
- National War Memorial: New Delhi | SAI HQ: New Delhi
- Kanger Valley NP: Chhattisgarh | Jim Corbett: 1st Tiger Reserve

International Affairs

- SAARC: 8 members (Myanmar is NOT a member)
- BIMSTEC: 7 members (India, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Thailand)
- SCO Secretariat: Beijing, China
- MGC (Mekong-Ganga Cooperation): India + 5 ASEAN nations (NOT Japan)
- World Bank Group: 5 institutions (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA, ICSID)
- ICC HQ: Dubai | FIFA HQ: Zurich, Switzerland | WEF HQ: Davos/Geneva
- OPEC HQ: Vienna, Austria | IMF/World Bank: Washington D.C.
- WMO publishes: State of the Global Climate report

- La Pérouse: India-France naval exercise | Yudh Abhyas: India-USA

Polity & Constitution

- Fundamental Rights: 6 rights | Article 51A: Fundamental Duties
- Constitution adopted: 26 November 1949 | Effective: 26 January 1950
- Chief Justice appointed by: President of India
- Election Commission: 3 members (Chief Election Commissioner + 2)
- Lokpal Act 2013 | First Lokpal: Pinaki Chandra Ghose
- Right to Privacy: Fundamental Right (2017, K.S. Puttaswamy case)
- President nominates: 12 members to Rajya Sabha
- Budget presented in: Lok Sabha | Republic Day Parade by: Ministry of Defence
- NITI Aayog replaced Planning Commission in 2015

History & Culture

- Classical Dances: Bharatanatyam (TN), Kathak (UP/North), Kuchipudi (AP), Sattriya (Assam), Manipuri (Manipur), Odissi (Odisha), Kathakali (Kerala), Mohiniyattam (Kerala)
- Quit India Movement: 1942 | Jallianwala Bagh: 13 April 1919
- Indian National Congress founded: 1885
- Red Fort / Lal Qila: Built by Shah Jahan | Akbarnama: Written by Abul Fazl
- Konark Sun Temple: 'Black Pagoda', Odisha
- Veer Savarkar's book: The Indian War of Independence 1857
- Subhas Chandra Bose's book: The Indian Struggle
- APJ Abdul Kalam's autobiography: Wings of Fire
- Gallantry: PVC > MVC > VC (wartime) | AC > KC > SC (peacetime)

Government Schemes (MUST READ)

- APY (Atal Pension Yojana): Age 18-40, unorganised sector
- Sukanya Samriddhi: Girl child below 10 years
- PMKVY (Kaushal Vikas): Skill development – launched 2015
- MGNREGA: 100 days guaranteed employment per year
- PMFBY: Crop insurance scheme
- One Stop Centres: For distressed women, under Nirbhaya Fund
- Mudra: Shishu (0-50K), Kishore (50K-5L), Tarun (5L-10L)
- PMGSY: Gram Sadak Yojana – rural road connectivity
- PMVVY: Senior Citizen pension scheme (through LIC)
- Saksham app: By ECI for Persons with Disabilities



SECTION 5: 2026 Exam Prediction – What to Read

Based on 8 years of question patterns, here are the highest-probability topics for the 2026 Para 13.2 Exam. Focus on these FIRST.

1. Insurance & IRDAI

- Insurance Nationalisation 1972/1973 history
- IRDAI functions & powers
- FDI limit in Insurance (74%)
- Nirbhaya Fund / women schemes
- PSU Insurers – National/Oriental/United India/New India HQs
- Motor/Health/Crop insurance basics
- PMFBY scheme

2. Economy & Banking

- RBI Governor & key rates (CRR, SLR, Repo)
- UDGM Portal / Unclaimed deposits
- Tokenization of cards
- NACH / IMPS / UPI limits
- GST slabs & collection milestones
- FATF recommendations (40)
- NABARD / SIDBI / NHB functions
- PRAN (NPS) – digit count & features
- New Tax Regime 2025-26

3. Polity & Constitution

- Fundamental Rights (6 rights + Article 51A duties)
- Lokpal Act & current Lokpal
- Election Commission – Saksham app, NOTA
- President vs Vice President confusion questions
- NITI Aayog vs Planning Commission
- Budget presentation – Lok Sabha

4. Geography

- Major rivers – origin, states, tributaries
- National Parks map-based questions
- State formations (Jharkhand 2000, Telangana 2014)
- Atal Setu / major bridges
- India–Pakistan water treaty rivers

5. Science & Technology

- AI companies (OpenAI, Google DeepMind)
- Space missions – ISRO (Chandrayaan, Aditya-L1 status)

- 3D printing / emerging technologies
- Cryptocurrency basics
- Defence missiles (Prithvi, Agni series)

6. Sports

- IPL 2025 teams & winners
- Khelo India Games 2025
- Olympics 2024 Paris – India medals
- Cricket World Cup 2024 winner
- Asian Games 2026 – Japan host
- ISSF / Commonwealth Games

7. International Affairs

- UNSC non-permanent members
- SAARC / BIMSTEC / SCO / MGC membership
- G20 / G7 recent summits
- ICC / FIFA / WEF headquarters
- India's military exercises abroad



8. Govt Schemes

- Atal Pension Yojana (age 18-40, unorganised sector)
- Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (age <10)
- PMKVY / Skill India
- One Stop Centres (Nirbhaya Fund)
- PM Kisan / PMFBY / Mudra (Shishu/Kishore/Tarun)

9. History & Culture

- Savarkar / Bose / Gandhi books
- Classical dance forms (Bharatanatyam, Kathak, Kuchipudi, Sattriya)
- Mughal emperors sequence
- Famous temples / monuments
- Freedom movement dates (1857, 1919, 1942)

10. Awards & Books

- Padma Shri / Vibhushan recent recipients
- Arjuna / Khel Ratna 2024-25
- Pulitzer / Man Booker winners
- Books by politicians / sportspersons

⚡ SECTION 6: Quick Revision – One-Liner GK Facts

Topic / Question	Answer / Fact
RBI offices in India	33
FATF recommendations	40
Fundamental Rights	6
SAARC members	8
BIMSTEC members	7
World Bank Group bodies	5 (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA, ICSID)
Aadhaar digits	12
PRAN digits	12
NPS account types	2 (Tier I & Tier II)
GST introduced	1 July 2017
DigiLocker launched	2015
Insurance nationalised (107→4)	1973
FDI limit in Insurance	74%
IRDAI headquarters	Hyderabad
First Tiger Reserve	Jim Corbett (1973)
National Parks in India	106+
Biosphere Reserves in India	18
India's longest sea bridge	Atal Setu (Mumbai Trans Harbour)
Jharkhand formed	Year 2000 (from Bihar)
ICC headquarters	Dubai
FIFA headquarters	Zurich, Switzerland
OPEC headquarters	Vienna, Austria
WEF headquarters	Davos/Geneva, Switzerland
Olympics 2024	Paris, France
Olympics 2028	Los Angeles, USA
NACH mandate limit	₹1 Crore
UPI123pay daily limit	₹1 Lakh
APY eligible age	18–40 years
MGNREGA days	100 days per year
Sukanya Samriddhi age limit	Girl child below 10 years
First RBI Governor	Sir Osborne Smith
RBI nationalisation year	1949
Republic Day parade by	Ministry of Defence

Topic / Question	Answer / Fact
Budget presented in	Lok Sabha
Right to Privacy declared	2017 (K.S. Puttaswamy judgment)
Members nominated to Rajya Sabha	12 (by President)
Kuchipudi dance state	Andhra Pradesh
Sattriya dance state	Assam
Konark Sun Temple nickname	Black Pagoda
India–China border line	McMahon Line
Asia–Europe mountain separator	Ural Mountains
National War Memorial location	New Delhi
Jallianwala Bagh year	1919
Quit India Movement year	1942
INC founded year	1885
Constitution adopted date	26 November 1949
World Wildlife Day	3 March
World Cities Day	31 October
National Consumer Rights Day	24 December
World Tolerance Day	16 November
Science Day (India)	28 February
National Sports Day	29 August (Dhyan Chand birthday)

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