200 Most Expected GA Questions – 16 to 30 Sep 2026

1. From 15 October 2026, what MDR applies to specified UPI P2M payments above ₹2,000? **0.4% (capped at ₹300)**
2. Who pays the Merchant Discount Rate (MDR)? **The merchant (not the customer)**
3. Small merchants with monthly UPI receipts below what amount are exempt from MDR? **₹1 lakh**
4. Under which section of the RBI Act is the inflation target (4% ±2%) set? **Section 45ZA**
5. Retail CPI inflation for August 2026? **4.82% (from 4.45% in July)**
6. India became the world's which largest holder of forex reserves (overtaking Russia)? **4th largest (USD 785.71 billion)**
7. Which are the top three holders of forex reserves? **China, Japan, Switzerland**
8. Which Credit Information Company got the highest RBI penalty (₹26.82 lakh)? **TransUnion CIBIL**
9. Name India's four Credit Information Companies. **TransUnion CIBIL, CRIF High Mark, Equifax, Experian**
10. Who regulates CICs and who regulates Credit Rating Agencies? **RBI regulates CICs; SEBI regulates CRAs**
11. Compensation per day for delayed correction of credit information beyond 30 days? **₹100 per day**
12. The EPF wage ceiling was raised from ₹15,000 to? **₹25,000 per month (from 17 Sep 2026)**
13. EPFO covers establishments with how many employees? **20 or more**
14. India and Bhutan completed two-way UPI connectivity in which city? **Thimphu**
15. Line of Credit given by India to Bhutan for energy projects? **₹4,000 crore**
16. Which entity issued India's first Blue Bond? **Sagarmala Finance Corporation Ltd (SMFCL)**
17. ICICI Prudential Life Insurance has been renamed as? **ICICI Life Insurance Limited**
18. Which is the first public sector bank to launch Bharat Connect for Business? **Central Bank of India**
19. Bharat Connect was earlier known as? **Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS)**
20. Per-transaction limit for UPI 123Pay (feature phones)? **₹10,000**
21. Which Caribbean country is the first to adopt UPI? **Trinidad and Tobago**
22. UPI AutoPay recurring payments up to what amount need no additional factor authentication? **₹15,000**
23. BHIM app per-transaction and daily limit? **₹40,000 (max 10 transactions a day)**
24. Bulk deposit threshold for Scheduled Commercial Banks and SFBs (from 1 Oct 2026)? **₹3 crore and above (₹1 crore for RRBs and LABs)**
25. The Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 2026 replaced which Act? **Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 1891**
26. Under the new FEMA rules, export proceeds must be realised within? **9 months (12 months for INR-invoiced exports)**
27. WMA limit for the Centre for Oct 2026 – Mar 2027? **₹50,000 crore**
28. Under which section of the RBI Act were WMAs introduced (1 April 1997)? **Section 17(5)**
29. Interest charged on overdraft beyond WMA? **Repo rate + 2%**
30. RBI's OMO sale of G-secs in FY27 totalled how much? **₹1 lakh crore (on E-Kuber)**
31. Priority Sector Lending target for Small Finance Banks? **60%**
32. Which SFB has approval to become a universal bank? **AU Small Finance Bank**
33. Who is the brand ambassador of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank? **R. Madhavan ("Nothing Small About Us")**
34. Which bank launched user-level programmable Digital Rupee (CBDC)? **Bank of India**
35. PFRDA's new health cover within NPS is called? **NPS Swasthya**
36. CGTMSE cover went live on how many TReDS platforms? **3 (M1xchange, RXIL, DTX)**
37. NSE's IPO became India's which largest IPO? **2nd largest (after Hyundai Motor India)**
38. Who is the MD & CEO of NSE? **Ashishkumar Chauhan**
39. Bandhan Bank started as a universal bank on? **23 August 2015 (HQ Kolkata)**
40. Which bank launched UPI Global Reverse Acceptance for foreign visitors? **Bank of Baroda**
41. India's highest-ever annual FDI inflow in FY 2025-26? **$94.53 billion**
42. Moody's raised India's FY 2026–27 GDP growth forecast to? **7.0% (from 6.0%); rating Baa3, Stable**
43. Which agency gave the highest FY27 growth forecast for India (7.1%)? **OECD**
44. Where is the OECD headquartered? **Paris, France (38 members; India is a Key Partner)**
45. Unemployment rate as per PLFS August 2026? **5.0%**
46. India's rank in the WEF Global Gender Gap Index 2026? **131st of 145**
47. Which country topped the Global Gender Gap Index 2026 for the 17th year? **Iceland**

48.India's rank in the WEF Travel and Tourism Development Index 2026? **31st (top: Japan)**
49.Which state/UT topped NITI Aayog's India Electric Mobility Index 2025? **Delhi (84/100)**
50.GIFT City's rank in the Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI 40)? **37th (Mumbai 49th)**
51.Who regulates GIFT City IFSC? **IFSCA (International Financial Services Centres Authority)**
52.Who tops the M3M Hurun India Rich List 2026? **Gautam Adani and family (₹9.23 lakh crore)**
53.India's richest woman in the Hurun Rich List 2026? **Roshni Nadar Malhotra**
54.Who became Asia's richest person (Bloomberg, Sep 2026)? **Zhang Yiming (ByteDance)**
55.Which business school topped the QS Global MBA Rankings 2027? **MIT Sloan (top Indian: IIM Bangalore, joint 64th)**
56.India's rank in the Global Business Climate Survey 2026? **1st (Swedish Chamber of Commerce India)**
57.Top Indian city in the Oxford Economics Global Cities Index 2026? **Delhi (268th; world No. 1 New York)**
58.Which city topped the Knight Frank Prime Global Cities Index Q2 2026? **Tokyo (Mumbai 8th)**
59.India's Total Fertility Rate in 2024? **1.9**
60.India's software services exports in 2025–26 (RBI survey)? **US$ 221.4 billion (up 8.2%)**
61.EY-CII estimate of India's space economy by 2033? **₹4.22 lakh crore ($44 billion)**
62.Base year of the new GDP series? **2022–23 (8th base revision)**
63.Which core industry has the highest weight in the Index of Core Industries? **Electricity (30.932%); 9 industries now incl. iron ore**
64.Basic customs duty on crude sunflower oil was cut to? **Nil (from 10%)**
65.Which two Indian entries feature in Lonely Planet's Best in Travel 2027? **Gujarat and Darjeeling Himalayan Railway**
66.PM Vishwakarma Yojana was launched on? **17 September 2023 (Vishwakarma Jayanti)**
67.Nodal ministry of PM Vishwakarma Yojana? **Ministry of MSME (covers 18 trades)**
68.Maximum collateral-free loan under PM Vishwakarma and its interest rate? **₹3 lakh at 5% (₹1 lakh + ₹2 lakh tranches)**
69.Outlay of India Semiconductor Mission 2.0 (Semicon 2.0)? **₹1,27,500 crore**
70.Theme of SEMICON India 2026? **"Silicon to Systems: Building the Ecosystem"**
71.Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY was launched on 23 September 2018 from which city? **Ranchi, Jharkhand**
72.Health cover under AB PM-JAY? **₹5 lakh per family per year**
73.How many digits are there in an ABHA health ID? **14**
74.PM-KMY gives what monthly pension to small and marginal farmers after age 60? **₹3,000 (fund manager: LIC)**
75.Which state ranks 1st in PM-KMY enrolment? **Haryana**
76.Total outlay of the PMMSY (fisheries) scheme? **₹20,750 crore (launched 10 Sep 2020)**
77.Theme of Swachhata Hi Seva 2026? **"Swachhata Mein Sahbhag; Swachh Bharat, Viksit Bharat"**
78.What does DISHA 2.0 stand for? **Designing Innovative Solutions for Holistic Access to Justice**
79.Toll-free number of Tele-Law? **14454**
80.Total outlay of the modified UDAN scheme (FY27–FY36)? **₹28,840 crore (100 airports, 200 helipads)**
81.Biometric Aadhaar authentication is mandatory for subsidised LPG booking from? **1 October 2026**
82.PRAHAAR is India's first national policy on? **Counter-terrorism (unveiled by MHA)**
83.Which four ports were notified as India's first Mega Ports? **Deendayal (Kandla), JNPT, Paradip and Mundra**
84.Mega Ports were notified under which Act? **Section 73, Indian Ports Act, 2025**
85.Where is India's first Victim Rights Centre? **Patna, Bihar (inaugurated by CJI Surya Kant)**
86.Under the amended Births and Deaths Act, births and deaths must be reported within? **21 days**
87.Kavach is India's indigenous system for? **Automatic Train Protection (developed by RDSO)**
88.India's first hydrogen train runs on which route? **Jind–Sonipat, Haryana (89 km)**
89.Which language was made Karnataka's second additional administrative language? **Tulu**
90.Anti-defection law was added through which Constitutional Amendment? **52nd Amendment Act, 1985 (10th Schedule)**
91.A state's name is altered by Parliament under which Article? **Article 3**
92.Cost of the FASTag Annual Pass? **₹3,075 (1 year or 200 crossings)**
93.Who was appointed Chief Economist of the World Bank Group (from 1 Oct 2026)? **Michael Kremer (succeeds Indermit Gill)**
94.Michael Kremer shared the 2019 Economics Nobel with? **Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo**
95.Who is India's Executive Director at the World Bank? **Neelkanth Mishra**

96.Who is the President of the 81st UN General Assembly? **Khalilur Rahman (Bangladesh)**
97.Who was the first Indian President of the UNGA? **Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit**
98.Who was appointed Deputy Chairperson of the ICC? **Tavengwa Mukuhlani (Zimbabwe)**
99.Who is the BCCI President? **Mithun Manhas**
100. Who was re-appointed Chairman of Tata Sons for a third term? **N. Chandrasekaran**
101. Who became Chairman of Berkshire Hathaway after Warren Buffett? **Howard G. Buffett**
102. Who was appointed Executive Director of the UN World Food Programme? **Luke J. Lindberg**
103. Where is the World Food Programme headquartered? **Rome, Italy**
104. Who is the Chairman of the CBFC? **Shashi Shekhar Vempati**
105. Who became the first woman Inspector General of CoBRA? **Sanjukta Parashar**
106. Who is the 26th Chief Election Commissioner? **Gyanesh Kumar**
107. Who was appointed CBSE Chairperson? **Mandeep K. Bhandari**
108. Who joined IRDAI as Whole-Time Members? **Dinesh Pant and Girija Subramanian**
109. Who is the IRDAI Chairman? **Ajay Seth**
110. Who got additional charge as Chairperson of IBBI? **Jayanti Prasad**
111. Who holds additional charge as DRDO Chairman? **Rajesh Kumar Singh (Defence Secretary)**
112. Who became the first woman ADC to the Chief of the Army Staff? **Captain Shivani Sehrawat**
113. Who chairs the Economic Advisory Council to the PM (EAC-PM)? **Suryadevara Mahendra Dev**
114. Who was appointed India's Ambassador to Cuba? **Hansraj Singh Verma**
115. IFFCO Chairman elected to the International Cooperative Alliance Global Board? **Dileep Sanghani**
116. Who is the NABARD Chairman? **Dr Shaji Krishnan V.**
117. Who was named the 56th recipient of the Dadasaheb Phalke Award (2024)? **Anant Nag (Kannada actor)**
118. Who was the first recipient of the Dadasaheb Phalke Award? **Devika Rani (1969)**
119. Where were the 72nd National Film Awards presented (first outside Delhi)? **Ekta Nagar (Kevadia), Gujarat**
120. Which film won Best Feature Film at the 72nd National Film Awards? **Article 370**
121. Who shared Best Actor at the 72nd National Film Awards? **Mammootty and Kartik Aaryan**
122. India's official entry for the Oscars 2027? **"Gondhal" (Marathi; dir. Santosh Davakhar)**
123. Which airline was named the world's best at the Skytrax Awards 2026? **Singapore Airlines**
124. Which Indian airline was named Best Low-Cost Airline in India & South Asia for the 16th time? **IndiGo**
125. Nagaland film "Angh" won which prize at TIFF 2026? **Platform Prize**
126. Who are the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2026 winners? **Tommy Koh, Runa Khan and Bo Kyi**
127. Who won the SASTRA Ramanujan Prize 2026? **Sarah Peluse (Stanford)**
128. Nobel Prize money for 2026 was raised to? **12 million Swedish kronor**
129. Who chairs the Booker Prize 2026 judging panel? **Mary Beard**
130. Who received the National Lata Mangeshkar Award 2026? **Shantanu Moitra**
131. Who received the INAE Lifetime Contribution Award in Engineering 2026? **Dr V.K. Saraswat**
132. Which Mizoram farmer was named among FAO's 100 Women Heroes? **Z.T. Lalrithangi (Pi Mari-i)**
133. Which IIT team won the Njord Challenge 2026 in Norway? **Team Aritra, IIT Madras**
134. India's rank at WorldSkills Shanghai 2026? **10th (first top-10 finish)**
135. Who received the Bob Hope Humanitarian Award at the 78th Emmys? **Michael J. Fox**
136. Which department won the Rajbhasha Kirti Award 2025–26 (1st prize)? **Department of Financial Services**
137. India and MERCOSUR signed the First Additional Protocol to which agreement? **Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA)**
138. Where is the MERCOSUR headquarters? **Montevideo, Uruguay**
139. When will the India–New Zealand FTA enter into force? **20 October 2026**
140. New Zealand's investment commitment to India under the FTA? **US$ 20 billion over 15 years**
141. WHO validated which country as the first in South America to eliminate dog-transmitted rabies? **Chile**
142. Which was the first country in the world verified to have eliminated leprosy? **Jordan (2024)**
143. What does the US–India TRUST initiative stand for? **Transforming the Relationship Utilizing Strategic Technology (replaced iCET)**
144. India signed which UN convention in September 2026? **UN Convention against Cybercrime**
145. Where was the 26th SCO Summit held? **Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan**

146. Which city is the SCO Tourism and Cultural Capital for 2026–27? **Lahore**
147. Which country became the 10th member of the SCO? **Belarus (2024)**
148. The Visegrád Group (V4) consists of? **Poland, Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic**
149. FIPIC groups India with how many Pacific Island countries? **14 (formed 2014)**
150. Where was the 11th AIIB Annual Meeting held? **Doha, Qatar (AIIB HQ Beijing)**
151. Who is the AIIB President? **Zou Jiayi**
152. Theme of the 9th India International Water Week 2026? **"Climate Resilient Water Management"**
153. Where was the 69th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference held? **Cape Town, South Africa**
154. Where was the G20 Trade Ministers' Meeting 2026 held? **Milwaukee, USA (US G20 Presidency)**
155. Who is the ADB President? **Masato Kanda (ADB HQ Manila)**
156. India and Liberia launched a Group of Friends on what at the UNGA? **Shipping and Seafarers**
157. Who became the first Indian male recurve archer to win gold at the Archery World Cup Final? **Dhiraj Bommadevara (Saltillo, Mexico)**
158. Who became the highest run-scorer in women's international cricket, passing Mithali Raj? **Smriti Mandhana**
159. Who became the second batter after Sachin Tendulkar to cross 15,000 ODI runs? **Virat Kohli**
160. Who became the first batter to score 15,000 T20 runs? **Jos Buttler**
161. Who now holds the record for the longest men's ODI career? **Brendan Taylor (Zimbabwe)**
162. India won its how many-th Women's Asia Cup title in 2026? **8th (beat Sri Lanka in Dubai)**
163. Who was Player of the Series in the Women's T20 Asia Cup 2026? **Shafali Verma**
164. Mascot of the 20th Asian Games 2026? **Honohon**
165. Which sport made its debut at the 2026 Asian Games? **Mixed Martial Arts (MMA)**
166. Who won India's first-ever Asian Games medal in MMA? **Suchika Tariyal (bronze)**
167. Who became the first Indian woman to win individual trap gold at the Asian Games? **Neeru Dhanda**
168. Who became the most-capped Indian women's hockey player? **Savita Punia**
169. Mirabai Chanu won which medal at the 2026 Asian Games? **Silver (women's 49 kg)**
170. India won its how many-th Men's Junior Asia Cup hockey title in 2026? **6th (beat South Korea 4–1)**
171. Which state will host the Men's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy 2026 for the first time? **Punjab (Jalandhar and Mohali)**
172. Which city will host the World Athletics Championships 2029, the first in Africa? **Nairobi, Kenya**
173. Which Indian city will host the 2032 UCI Road World Championships? **Pune**
174. India won which medals at the 46th Chess Olympiad, Samarkand? **Silver (Open) and Bronze (Women)**
175. Who won the Global Chess League 2026? **Ganges Grandmasters**
176. Who won the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2026? **Spain**
177. Veer Guardian 2026 is an air exercise between India and? **Japan (at Jodhpur)**
178. Yudh Abhyas is a military exercise between India and? **USA (22nd edition, 2026)**
179. Varuna is a naval exercise between India and? **France (24th edition at Toulon)**
180. KAZIND-2026 is a joint military exercise with which country? **Kazakhstan (at Oskemen)**
181. Which company runs India's first overseas defence manufacturing plant, in Morocco? **Tata Advanced Systems Ltd (WhAP)**
182. What does SAMARTH, unveiled by the Army Chief, stand for (first letter)? **S – Sustainability (Sustainability, Adaptation, Modernisation, Acceleration, Resilience, Technology, Human-Machine Teaming)**
183. Which lake became India's 101st Ramsar Site? **Glaw Lake, Arunachal Pradesh**
184. Project Cheetah completed four years. Where was it launched? **Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh (17 Sep 2022)**
185. Which state holds nearly 80% of the world's greater one-horned rhinos? **Assam**
186. Which Jharkhand traditional instrument got a GI tag? **Mandar**
187. India's UNESCO World Heritage Tentative List rose to how many sites? **78**
188. Which is India's first approved dengue vaccine? **Qdenga (Takeda; distributed by Dr Reddy's)**
189. Where was India's 51st Doppler Weather Radar inaugurated? **Sambalpur, Odisha**
190. ISRO and ESA extended their cooperation agreement until? **8 January 2032**
191. World Ozone Day is observed on? **16 September**
192. Antyodaya Diwas (25 September) marks whose birth anniversary? **Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya**

193. World Tourism Day is observed on? **27 September (UN Tourism HQ Madrid)**
194. World Rabies Day (28 September) marks whose death anniversary? **Louis Pasteur**
195. National Engineers' Day (15 September) marks whose birth anniversary? **Sir M. Visvesvaraya**
196. The next cyclone name 'Arnab' was contributed by which country? **Bangladesh**
197. Minimum CRAR to be maintained by banks in India, including CCB? **11.5% (9% + 2.5% CCB)**
198. Name the 5 All India Financial Institutions regulated by RBI. **NABARD, SIDBI, NHB, EXIM Bank and NaBFID**
199. Which neighbour shares India's longest land border? **Bangladesh (4,096 km)**
200. FDI limit in public sector banks? **20% (private banks 74%, insurance 100%)**

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