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Q4

Exercise of CAG's powers in relation to the accounts of the Union and the States is derived from Article 149 of the Indian Constitution. Discuss whether audit of the Government's policy implementation could amount to overstepping its own (CAG) jurisdiction.

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Article 149

Empowers Parliament to prescribe the CAG's duties and powers in relation to the accounts of the Union and of the States.

Article 151

Requires CAG reports on Union accounts to be laid before Parliament, and State reports before the State legislature, through the President or the Governor.

CAG (DPC) Act, 1971

Statute that specifies audit of expenditure, receipts, stores, and substantially financed bodies, which is the working jurisdiction of the CAG.

Public Accounts Committee

Parliamentary committee that examines CAG reports; it is the political forum that turns audit findings into recommendations.

INTOSAI performance audit

International standard used in CAG manuals to test economy, efficiency and effectiveness of programme implementation, not to elect a different policy.

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