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Consider the following rivers: 1. Vamsadhara 2. Indravati 3. Pranahita 4. Pennar Which of the above are tributaries of Godavari? (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 2, 3 and 4 (c) 1, 2 and 4 (d) 2 and 3 only Official key: D.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) 1, 2 and 3. **Indravati** and **Pranahita** are **Godavari** tributaries, but **Vamsadhara** is an independent east-flowing river of Odisha-Andhra, not a **Godavari** tributary. Including 1 is wrong.

(b)

(b) 2, 3 and 4. Pennar (Penna) is a separate Peninsular river to the Bay of Bengal, not a **Godavari** tributary. Including 4 fails.

(c)

(c) 1, 2 and 4. Both **Vamsadhara** and Pennar are independent rivers. This set is wrong.

(d) Official key

(d) 2 and 3 only. **Indravati** (from Chhattisgarh/Odisha) and **Pranahita** (Wainganga-Wardha system) join the **Godavari**. **Vamsadhara** and Pennar do not. That pair is the official key.

Summary

Official key is (d) 2 and 3 only. **Indravati** and **Pranahita** are major **Godavari** tributaries. **Vamsadhara** and Pennar are separate east-flowing rivers. Only 2 and 3 belong on the **Godavari** list.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

Godavari

Longest Peninsular river; rises at Trimbakeshwar

Indravati

Left-bank tributary; Chitrakoot Falls

Pranahita

Formed by Wainganga and Wardha

Vamsadhara

Odisha-Andhra; independent Bay of Bengal river

Pennar/Penna

Nandi hills origin; independent Andhra river

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