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Consider the following statements: 1. The Rajya Sabha has no power either to reject or to amend a Money Bill. 2. The Rajya Sabha cannot vote on the Demands for Grants. 3. The Rajya Sabha cannot discuss the Annual Financial Statement. Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 Official key: B.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) 1 only. Rajya Sabha cannot reject or amend a Money Bill ([Article 110/109](#): only recommendations, 14 days). That is true, but it also cannot vote [Demands for Grants](#). 1 only is incomplete.

(b) Official key

(b) 1 and 2 only. Rajya Sabha cannot reject or amend a Money Bill, and only Lok Sabha votes [Demands for Grants](#), while the Budget may still be discussed in RS. Statement 3 is therefore false; 1 and 2 only is the official key.

(c)

(c) 2 and 3 only. Statement 2 is right, but RS may discuss the Budget, so 3 is wrong.

(d)

(d) 1, 2 and 3. Statement 3 fails, so the full set is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (b) 1 and 2 only. A Money Bill cannot be rejected or amended by Rajya Sabha, and only Lok Sabha votes [Demands for Grants](#). Both Houses may discuss the Annual Financial Statement. Statement 3 is therefore incorrect. The keyed pair is 1 and 2.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

Article 109

Special procedure for Money Bills

Article 110

Definition of Money Bill

Demands for Grants

Voted exclusively in Lok Sabha

Article 112

Annual Financial Statement

RS on Money Bill

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