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India is member of which among the following? 1. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation 2. Association of South-East Asian Nations 3. East Asia Summit Select the correct answer using the code given below (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 3 only (c) 1, 2 and 3 (d) India is a member of none of them Official key: B.

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Explanation**(a)**

This pairing would require India to be in both **APEC** and ASEAN. India is not a member of **APEC** and not a member of ASEAN; it is only a Dialogue Partner of ASEAN. Statements 1 and 2 are therefore false, so this option is not the key.

(b) Official key

- **Statement 3 is correct:** India is a member of the East Asia Summit (from 2005). Statements 1 and 2 are incorrect. Hence 3 only is the official key.

(c)

All three would require **APEC** and ASEAN membership as well as EAS. India lacks the first two. This option is not the key.

(d)

None would deny **EAS membership**, which India has. This option is therefore wrong.

Summary

Official key is (b) 3 only. India sits in the East Asia Summit with ASEAN and other partners. It is not an **APEC** economy and not an ASEAN member State. ASEAN+ dialogue and EAS must not be confused with full ASEAN membership. Options that add 1 or 2, or that reject all three, are therefore out.

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EAS launch

2005, Kuala Lumpur; India a founding-period member

ASEAN members

Ten South-East Asian States; India is a Dialogue Partner, not a member

APEC

Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation; India is not a member

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EAS membership

ASEAN Ten plus Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Russia, USA

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