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'Mission Indradhanush' launched by the Government of India pertains to (a) Immunization of children and pregnant women (b) Construction of smart cities across the country (c) India's own search for the Earth-like planets in outer space (d) New Educational Policy Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

Immunization of children and pregnant women. **Mission Indradhanush (2014)** drives full immunisation coverage for unvaccinated and partially vaccinated children and pregnant women against seven (later expanded) vaccine-preventable diseases. That stored letter is the official key.

(b)

Smart cities. Smart Cities Mission is a separate urban programme. This letter is not the key.

(c)

Search for Earth-like planets. That is not Indradhanush; ISRO/NASA exoplanet work is unrelated. This letter is not the key.

(d)

New Education Policy. Education policy is not this mission's mandate. This letter is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (a) immunization of children and pregnant women. Mission Indradhanush is a MoHFW catch-up vaccination drive, not smart cities, exoplanets or NEP. Honour the stored letter (a).

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Launch

December 2014, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Original seven antigens

Diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, polio, TB, measles, hepatitis B

Intensified Mission Indradhanush

2017 push for 90% full immunisation

UIP

Universal Immunisation Programme umbrella

Rainbow name

Seven colours for seven vaccines in the original branding

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