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Regarding 'DigiLocker', sometimes seen in the news, which of the following statements is/are correct? 1. It is a digital locker system offered by the Government under Digital India Programme. 2. It allows you to access your e-documents irrespective of your physical location. Select the correct answer using the code given below (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 Official key: C.

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Explanation

(a)

• **Statement 1 is correct:** DigiLocker is a **Digital India** cloud locker for issued documents. Statement 2 (access to e-documents irrespective of physical location, with internet and authentication) is also correct, so 1 only is incomplete.

(b)

Location-independent access is true but is not the whole account; the programme identity in statement 1 is also true. 2 only is therefore not the key.

(c) Official key

DigiLocker is the Government's **Digital India** platform on which citizens store and share authentic e-documents (driving licence, exam certificates, and issuer-pushed records). Users can retrieve them from anywhere with login, without carrying paper. Both statements are correct, so (c) is the official key.

(d)

Neither would deny both the **Digital India** locker and remote access, which are the product's definition. This option is wrong.

Summary

Official key is (c) both 1 and 2. DigiLocker provides issuer-attested digital documents and a personal cloud folder under **MeitY's Digital India** programme. Access is online, so physical location of the citizen does not matter. It is not a private Dropbox clone without legal backing; the **Information Technology Act** and later rules support electronic records. Neither statement is false.

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Launched

2015, as a Digital India flagship

MeitY

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

URI / issuer documents

Departments push digitally signed certificates into the locker

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Common method to open and authenticate DigiLocker

Paperless citizen

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