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Consider the following in respect of 'National Career Services': 1. National Career Service is an initiative of the Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India. 2. National Career Service has been launched in a Mission Mode to improve the employment opportunities to uneducated youth of the country. Which of the above statements is/are correct? (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 Official key: D.

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Explanation**(a)**

Option (a) is 1 only. National Career Service is an initiative of the Ministry of Labour and Employment, not the Department of Personnel and Training. DoPT handles personnel of the civil services. Statement 1 is false, so this option is not the key.

(b)

Option (b) is 2 only. NCS is a mission-mode employment platform for job-seekers and employers generally, not a scheme confined to uneducated youth. Statement 2 is therefore false. This option is not the key.

(c)

Option (c) is both. Both the nodal-ministry claim and the uneducated-youth claim fail. This option is therefore wrong.

(d) Official key

- **Neither statement is correct:** NCS sits with Labour and Employment, and it serves a wide job-seeker pool including skilled and educated candidates through a national portal and career centres. That is why (d) is the official key.

Summary

Official key is (d) Neither 1 nor 2. National Career Service is the Labour Ministry's national employment portal and career-service mission. DoPT is the wrong parent department. The programme is not limited to uneducated youth. Both statements miss the institutional and target facts. Only (d) follows.

Related possible facts

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NCS portal

www.ncs.gov.in - jobs, career counselling, skill content

Nodal ministry

Ministry of Labour and Employment

Model Career Centres

Upgraded employment exchanges under NCS

DoPT

Cadre, recruitment rules and training of civil servants - not NCS

Mission mode

NCS launched (2015) as a **Digital India** / employment-service mission

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