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Q3

'Recognition of Prior Learning Scheme' is sometimes mentioned in the news with reference to (a) Certifying the skills acquired by construction workers through traditional channels. (b) Enrolling the persons in Universities for distance learning programmes. (c) Reserving some skilled jobs to rural and urban poor in some public sector undertakings. (d) Certifying the skills acquired by trainees under the National Skill Development Programme.

Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

(a) Certifying skills acquired by construction workers through traditional channels. Recognition of Prior Learning under the skill mission assesses and certifies informal, on-the-job learning - including construction trades - without forcing a fresh classroom course. That is the official key.

(b)

(b) Enrolling persons in universities for distance learning. RPL is a skill-certification track, not a UGC distance-education enrolment window, so it is not the key.

(c)

(c) Reserving skilled jobs for rural and urban poor in PSUs. RPL does not create PSU job reservations. It is not the key.

(d)

(d) Certifying skills acquired by trainees under the National Skill Development Programme. NSDP/PMKVY classroom trainees are certified through ordinary training outcomes; RPL is specifically for skills already gained outside formal training, so this is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (a) certifying skills acquired by construction workers through traditional channels. Recognition of Prior Learning tests and certifies competence already built on the worksite or in a hereditary trade. It is not a university distance-learning enrolment, not a PSU reservation, and not the ordinary certificate issued after a fresh NSDP course. Construction is the stock illustration because a large informal workforce there had no paper qualification.

Related possible facts

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RPL home

Component of PMKVY / NSQF

Nodal skill body

MSDE / NSDC ecosystem

NSQF

Levels 1-10 for competence

Target group

Informal and traditional workers

Outcome

Certificate aligned to a Qualification Pack

Construction SSC

Among the early RPL sectors

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