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Which of the following are the objectives of 'National Nutrition Mission'? 1. To create awareness relating to malnutrition among pregnant women and lactating mothers. 2. To reduce the incidence of anaemia among young children, adolescent girls and women. 3. To promote the consumption of millets, coarse cereals and unpolished rice. 4. To promote the consumption of poultry eggs. Select the correct answer using the code given below: (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1, 2 and 3 only (c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 3 and 4 only
Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

(a) 1 and 2 only. The National Nutrition Mission (ICDS window of that period) focused on awareness among pregnant and lactating women and on cutting anaemia in children, adolescent girls and women. Millets and eggs were not listed as those core objectives. This is the official key.

(b)

(b) 1, 2 and 3 only. Promoting millets and unpolished rice was not a stated objective of that Mission in the form asked. Not the key.

(c)

(c) 1, 2 and 4 only. Poultry-egg promotion was not a listed Mission objective here. Not the key.

(d)

(d) 3 and 4 only. Those two food-promotion lines are the distractors, not the Mission's stated pair.

Summary

Official key is (a) 1 and 2 only. National Nutrition Mission work in the ICDS/MWCD frame aimed to spread malnutrition awareness among pregnant and lactating mothers and to reduce anaemia among young children, adolescent girls and women. A general millet or egg-consumption campaign is not what the question's objective list recorded. POSHAN Abhiyaan (2018) is the later, wider brand. Honour 1 and 2 only.

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NNM / ICDS

MWCD nutrition architecture

POSHAN Abhiyaan

Launched 2018

Anaemia Mukht Bharat

Later anaemia strategy

NFHS

Source of malnutrition/anaemia data

ICDS

1975; anganwadi services

Mid-Day Meal

School nutrition, distinct scheme

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