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Which of the following statements is/are true of the Fundamental Duties of an Indian citizen? 1. A legislative process has been provided to enforce these duties. 2. They are correlative to legal duties. 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: D.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) 1 only. Part IVA does not itself lay down a legislative process to enforce Fundamental Duties. Statement 1 is false.

(b)

(b) 2 only. Duties in 51A are constitutional moral precepts, not automatically correlative legal duties in the same way as statutory obligations. Statement 2 is not accepted as true here.

(c)

(c) Both 1 and 2. Both fail. Not the key.

(d) Official key

(d) Neither 1 nor 2. Fundamental Duties ([Article 51A](#)) are non-justiciable as a set: the Constitution does not provide a general enforcement process, and they are not simply correlative legal duties. This is the official key.

Summary

Official key is (d) neither 1 nor 2. The [42nd Amendment](#) added Fundamental Duties; the 86th added the education duty. They guide citizens but are not, as a package, backed by a constitutional enforcement code, nor are they the jural correlatives of every legal duty. Parliament may create specific offences (for example flag law) without turning 51A into a justiciable charter. Both statements therefore fall.

Related possible facts

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Article 51A

Fundamental Duties

42nd Amendment

Inserted Part IVA, 1976

86th Amendment

Clause (k), education duty

Swaran Singh

Committee behind duties

Number of duties

Eleven after 2002

Verma Committee

1999; operationalising duties

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