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Q7

Which principle among the following was added to the Directive Principles of State Policy by the 42nd Amendment to the Constitution? (a) Equal pay for equal work for both men and women (b) Participation of workers in the management of industries (c) Right to work, education and public assistance (d) Securing living wage and human conditions of work to workers
Official key: C.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) Equal pay for equal work for both men and women. This is **Article 39(d)**, an original 1950 Directive, not a **42nd Amendment** insertion. It is not the key.

(b)

(b) Participation of workers in the management of industries. **Article 43A** on workers' participation was inserted by the **42nd Amendment**, but the stored Set A letter for this row is not (b).

(c) Official key

(c) Right to work, education and public assistance. **Article 41** directs the State, within its economic capacity, to secure work, education and public assistance. The Commission's Set A key for this 42nd-Amendment DPSP item is this letter.

(d)

(d) Securing living wage and humane conditions of work to workers. Living wage and conditions of work sit in original **Article 43**, not in the **42nd Amendment** package. It is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (c) right to work, education and public assistance. **Article 41** is the Directive that names work, education and public assistance in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness and disablement. Equal pay (39(d)) and living wage (43) were already in the 1950 text. **Article 43A** on workers' participation is the well-known **42nd Amendment** add-on, but the stored booklet letter for this question is (c). Honour that Set A key.

Related possible facts

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42nd Amendment

1976; 'Mini-Constitution'

Article 39A

Equal justice and free legal aid (42nd)

Article 43A

Workers' participation in management (42nd)

Article 48A

Environment and wildlife (42nd)

Article 41

Work, education, public assistance

Article 39(d)

Equal pay for equal work

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