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Consider the following statements: 1. The Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 replaced the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954. 2. The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) is under the charge of Director General of Health Services in the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (a) 1 only (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2 Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

(a) 1 only. **(a) Official key:** The **Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006** repealed and replaced the **Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954** (and several commodity orders). **FSSAI** is a statutory authority under the **Ministry** of Health and Family Welfare, not an office under the Director General of Health Services. Only statement 1 is correct.

(b)

(b) 2 only. **FSSAI** is not headed as a DGHS charge. This letter is not the key.

(c)

(c) Both 1 and 2. Statement 2 fails, so both-correct is not the key.

(d)

(d) Neither 1 nor 2. The 2006 Act did replace the 1954 Act, so 'neither' is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (a) 1 only. **FSSA** 2006 created a single food-safety code in place of PFA 1954. **FSSAI** is a body corporate with a Chairperson, under MoHFW, not DGHS. Honour the stored letter (a).

Related possible facts

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FSSA

Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006

PFA Act

Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 (repealed)

FSSAI

Food Safety and Standards Authority of India

Ministry

Health and Family Welfare

Codex

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