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Which of the following are regarded as the main features of the "Rule of Law"? 1. Limitation of Powers 2. Equality before law 3. People's responsibility to the Government 4. Liberty and civil rights Select the correct answer using the code given below: (a) 1 and 3 only (b) 2 and 4 only (c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
Official key: C.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) 1 and 3 only. Limitation of powers is a rule-of-law idea, but 'people's responsibility to the Government' is the wrong direction (government is responsible to the people). Dropping equality and liberty also underfills Dicey's cluster. This is not the key.

(b)

(b) 2 and 4 only. Equality and liberty are central, but limitation of arbitrary power is also a main feature. Omitting 1 makes the code incomplete.

(c) Official key

(c) 1, 2 and 4 only. **(c) Official key:** Rule of law means limited powers, equality before the law, and protection of liberty and civil rights. People's responsibility to the government is not a defining feature. 1, 2 and 4 only is the stored key.

(d)

(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4. Statement 3 does not belong, so the all-correct code is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (c) 1, 2 and 4 only. Rule of law limits power, treats persons equally, and secures liberty and civil rights. It does not mean the people are responsible to the government. Honour the stored letter (c).

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

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Supremacy of law; equality; constitutional conventions

Article 14

Equality before law and equal protection

Limited government

Constitutionalism; ultra vires

Article 21 / 19

Liberty and civil rights cluster

Responsible government

Executive responsible to the legislature, not citizens to the State as a ROL test

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