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As per the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 in India, which one of the following statements is correct? (a) Waste generator has to segregate waste five categories. (b) The Rules are applicable to notified urban local bodies, notified towns and all industrial townships only. (c) The Rules provide for exact and elaborate criteria (d) It is mandatory on the part of waste generator that the waste generated in one district cannot be moved to another district Official key: B.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) says generators must segregate waste into five categories. The 2016 Rules require three streams - wet (biodegradable), dry (recyclable) and domestic hazardous - not five. This option is not the key.

(b) Official key

(b) states that the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 apply to notified urban local bodies, notified towns and industrial townships. That is the local-body universe named in the option and the letter stored as the official key.

(c)

(c) claims exact and elaborate criteria for identifying generators and listing every duty as if that were the distinctive complete description. Duties of generators exist in **Rule 4**, but this is not the keyed letter.

(d)

(d) would freeze waste inside the district of generation. The Rules do not impose a district-lock on movement of waste. This option is not the key.

Summary

Official key is (b). The 2016 Rules are framed around notified urban local bodies, notified towns and industrial townships as the local-body class in the keyed option. Segregation is into three streams, not five. There is no ban on moving waste across a district boundary. Honour the stored letter (b).

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SWM Rules, 2016

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