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Consider the following pairs: Glacier River 1. Bandarpunch : Yamuna 2. Bara Shigri : Chenab 3. Milam : Mandakini 4. Siachen : Nubra 5. Zemu Manas Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched? (a) 1, 2 and 4 (b) 1, 3 and 4 (c) 2 and 5 (d) 3 and 5 Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

(a) 1, 2 and 4. Bandarpunch feeds the Yamuna (Yamunotri group). Bara Shigri, Himachal's largest glacier, belongs to the Chandra-Chenab system. Siachen's melt feeds the Nubra, which joins the Shyok-Indus. Milam is a Goriganga glacier, not Mandakini (Kedarnath / Chorabari). Zemu feeds the Teesta, not the Manas. So 1, 2 and 4 is the official key.

(b)

(b) 1, 3 and 4. Pair 3 (Milam-Mandakini) is wrong, so this is not the key.

(c)

(c) 2 and 5. Pair 5 (Zemu-Manas) is wrong, so this is not the key.

(d)

(d) 3 and 5. Both remaining pairs are the mismatches, so this is not the key.

Summary

- **Official key is (a) 1, 2 and 4. Lock the rivers:** Yamuna-Bandarpunch, Chenab-Bara Shigri, Nubra-Siachen. Mandakini is a Ganga headstream at Kedarnath; Milam is Kumaon's Gori. Zemu is Sikkim's Teesta source glacier; Manas is a Bhutan-Assam river. Honour the stored letter (a).

Related possible facts

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Yamunotri

Yamuna from the Bandarpunch massif

Bara Shigri

Chandra valley, Lahaul; Chenab

Siachen

Nubra-Shyok-Indus

Milam

Goriganga, Kumaon

Zemu

Kanchenjunga; Teesta

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