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Recently, India signed a deal known as 'Action Plan for Prioritization and Implementation of Cooperation Areas in the Nuclear Field' with which of the following countries? (a) Japan (b) Russia (c) The United Kingdom (d) The United States of America Official key: B.

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Explanation**(a)**

(a) Japan has a civil nuclear cooperation agreement with **India (2016)**, but the named 2018 Action Plan on prioritising nuclear cooperation was with Russia. Not the key.

(b) Official key

(b) Russia. In October 2018 India and Russia **signed** the Action Plan for Prioritization and Implementation of Cooperation Areas in the Nuclear Field (New Delhi). That is the official key.

(c)

(c) The United Kingdom is a civil-nuclear partner but not the signatory of this titled plan. Not the key.

(d)

(d) The United States is the 123 Agreement partner, not the 2018 Action Plan counterpart named here. Not the key.

Summary

Official key is (b). The 2018 nuclear Action Plan is an India-Russia document, sitting on a long **Kudankulam** and Rosatom relationship. Japan, the UK and the US have other nuclear instruments. Honour (b).

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5 October 2018, New Delhi

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