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If a particular plant species is placed under Schedule VI of The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972, what is the implication? (a) a license is required to cultivate that plant. (b) Such a plant cannot be cultivated under any circumstances. (c) It is a Genetically Modified crop plant. (d) Such a plant is invasive and harmful to the ecosystem. Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

- **A licence is required to cultivate that plant. Schedule VI:** specified plants (pitcher, lady's slipper orchid, etc.).

(b)

Cannot be cultivated at all. Cultivation is allowed under licence.

(c)

A GM crop. Unrelated.

(d)

Invasive. Unrelated to the Schedule.

Summary

Official key is (a). **Schedule VI** of the Wild Life (Protection) Act lists specified plants. Cultivation, possession and dealing need a licence - they are not a total ban, and they are not a GM or invasive tag.

Related possible facts

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Schedule VI

Pitcher plant, blue vanda, red vanda, kuth, lady's slipper, pitcher...

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