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Consider the following statements in relation to Janani Suraksha Yojana: 1. It is safe motherhood intervention of the State Health Departments. 2. Its objective is to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality among poor pregnant women. 3. It aims to promote institutional delivery among poor pregnant women. 4. Its objective includes providing public health facilities to sick infants up to one year of age. How many of the statements given above are correct? (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) Only three (d) All four
Official key: B.

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Explanation

(a)

Only one. Two JSY statements hold.

(b) Official key

Only two. Cut maternal and neonatal deaths among poor women, and raise institutional delivery. It is a centrally sponsored NHM scheme, not a State-department invention; infant care to one year is not JSY's objective.

(c)

Only three. Statement 1 and statement 4 over-claim.

(d)

All four. JSY is not 'of the State Health Departments' as owner, and year-long sick-infant care is another scheme.

Summary

Official key is (b) only two. Janani Suraksha Yojana is a safe-motherhood scheme under NHM: cash incentive to raise institutional delivery and cut maternal and neonatal mortality among poor women. It is not framed as a State Health Department programme, and care of sick infants up to one year is not its listed objective (that sits with other RMNCH schemes).

Related possible facts

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JSY

2005; cash assistance for institutional delivery, especially in low-performing states.

JSSK

Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram - free delivery and sick-newborn care; a neighbour of JSY.

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