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Q13

Invasive species Specialist Group' (that develops Global Invasive Species Database) belongs to which one of the following organizations? (a) The International Union for Conservation of Nature (b) The United Nations Environment Programme (c) The United Nations World Commission for Environment and Development. (d) The World Wide Fund for Nature Official key: A.

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Explanation**(a) Official key**

IUCN. The Invasive Species Specialist Group sits under IUCN's Species Survival Commission and runs the Global Invasive Species Database.

(b)

UNEP. Hosts other environment programmes, not this ISSG database.

(c)

UN World Commission on Environment and Development. The Brundtland Commission of the 1980s, long wound up.

(d)

WWF. A conservation NGO, not the ISSG parent.

Summary

Official key is (a) IUCN. GISD is a product of the Invasive Species Specialist Group of IUCN's Species Survival Commission. UNEP, the old Brundtland Commission and WWF are neighbouring brands, not the parent.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

GISD

Global Invasive Species Database; profiles of alien species that threaten biodiversity.

IUCN Red List

The better-known IUCN species-status list; a frequent paired PYQ.

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