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Which one of the following countries has been suffering from decades of civil strife and food shortages and was in news in the recent past for its very severe famine? (a) Angola (b) Costa Rica (c) Ecuador (d) Somalia Official key: D.

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Explanation

(a)

Angola. Civil war history, not the famine-in-the-news case of this paper.

(b)

Costa Rica. Stable, no famine story.

(c)

Ecuador. Not this famine file.

(d) Official key

Somalia. Decades of conflict and recurrent famine; in the news for severe hunger.

Summary

Official key is (d) Somalia. Protracted civil conflict plus drought has produced repeated famine alerts. Angola's war is older; Costa Rica and Ecuador are the wrong continent-story.

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IPC famine

Integrated Food Security Phase Classification; Phase 5 = famine.

Horn of Africa

Somalia-Ethiopia-Kenya drought cluster.

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