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With reference to Home Guards, consider the following statements : 1. Home Guards are raised under the Home Guards act and Rules of the Central Government. 2. The role of the Home Guards is to serve as an auxiliary force to the police in maintenance of internal security. 3. To prevent infiltration on the international border /coastal areas, the Border Wing Home Guards Battalions have been raised in some States. How Many of the above statements are correct? (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) All three (d) None Official key: B.

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Explanation

(a)

Only one. Two statements hold.

(b) Official key

Only two. **Home Guards** are an auxiliary to the police; Border Wing battalions exist in some States. They are raised under State Acts and rules, not a **Central Home Guards Act**.

(c)

All three. Statement 1 is the miss.

(d)

None. Auxiliary role and Border Wing are real.

Summary

Official key is (b) only two. **Home Guards** are a State-raised volunteer auxiliary to the police for internal security. Some States have **Border Wing Home Guards** on the international border or coast. There is no single **Central Home Guards Act** that raises them all.

Related possible facts

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Home Guards

Raised from 1946 onwards; State statutes and MHA guidelines.

Border Wing Home Guards

Raised in border States as an auxiliary to BSF/police.

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