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With reference to the Indian Parliament, consider the following statements : 1. A bill pending in the Lok Sabha lapses on its dissolution. 2. A bill passed by the Lok Sabha and pending in the Rajya Sabha lapses on the dissolution of the Lok Sabha. 3. A bill in regard to which the President of India notified his/her intention to summon the Houses to a joint sitting lapses on the dissolution of the Lok Sabha. Which of the statements given above is/are correct ? (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 (c) 2 and 3 (d) 3 only
Official key: B.

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Explanation

(a)

1 only. A bill passed by LS and pending in RS also lapses (2).

(b) Official key

1 and 2. Pending in LS, or passed by LS and pending in RS, both lapse on dissolution.

(c)

2 and 3. Statement 3 is false: a bill notified for joint sitting does not lapse.

(d)

3 only. That is the exception that does not lapse.

Summary

Official key is (b) 1 and 2. On dissolution of the Lok Sabha, a bill pending in the Lok Sabha lapses, and a bill passed by the Lok Sabha and pending in the Rajya Sabha also lapses. If the President has already notified an intention to summon a joint sitting under [Article 108](#), that bill does not lapse. So 3 is false.

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Article 107(5)

A bill pending in the Rajya Sabha, not passed by the Lok Sabha, does not lapse.

Article 108

Joint sitting; once notified, dissolution does not kill that bill.

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