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With reference to the Parliament of India, consider the following statements : 1. Prorogation of a House by the President of India does not require the advice of the Council of Ministers. 2. Prorogation of a House is generally done after the House is adjourned sine die but there is no bar to the President of India prorogating the House which is in session. 3. Dissolution of the Lok Sabha is done by the President of India who, save in exceptional circumstances, does so on the advice of the Council of Ministers. 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: C.

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Explanation

(a)

1 only. **Prorogation** is an executive act on Cabinet advice, not a free Presidential will.

(b)

1 and 2. Statement 1 fails.

(c) Official key

2 and 3. **Prorogation** usually follows sine die but can hit a sitting House; **dissolution** is on Cabinet advice except rare cases.

(d)

3 only. Statement 2 is also keyed.

Summary

Official key is (c) 2 and 3. **Prorogation** is done by the President on the aid and advice of the Council of Ministers - statement 1 is false. It is usually after adjournment sine die, but the President may prorogue a House that is still in session. **Dissolution** of the Lok Sabha is by the President, ordinarily on Cabinet advice (exception: a PM who has lost confidence). So 2 and 3 hold.

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Prorogation

Ends a session; pending bills do not lapse merely because of prorogation.

Dissolution

Ends the Lok Sabha itself; triggers a general election.

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