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Consider the following pairs : Country Resource-rich in I. Botswana : Diamond II. Chile : Lithium III. Indonesia : Nickel In how many of the above rows is the given information correctly matched? (a) Only one (b) Only two (c) All the three (d) None
Official key: C.

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Explanation

(a)

Only one. All three country-resource pairs are keyed.

(b)

Only two. Under-counts.

(c) Official key

All the three. Botswana-diamond, Chile and the third pair are all correctly matched.

(d)

None. All three hold.

Summary

Official Set A key is (c) all three. Botswana is diamond-rich; Chile is copper-lithium country; the third pair is also a standard resource match. All three are correct.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

Botswana diamonds

Debswana / Jwaneng. A large share of GDP historically.

Chile lithium

Atacama brine. With Australia and Argentina in the lithium triangle neighbourhood.

Indonesia nickel

World's top miner in recent USGS years; EV-battery policy.

Critical minerals

The GS3/Prelims umbrella for Chile and Indonesia in this table.

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