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Q56

Consider the following statements : With reference to the Constitution of India, if an area in a State is declared as Scheduled Area under the Fifth Schedule I. the State Government loses its executive power in such areas and a local body assumes total administration II. the Union Government can take over the total administration of such areas under certain circumstances on the recommendations of the Governor Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (a) I only (b) II only (c) Both I and II (d) Neither I nor II Official key: D.

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Explanation

(a)

I only. Neither scheduled-area claim is keyed as written.

(b)

II only. II fails as well.

(c)

Both. Both fail.

(d) Official key

Neither. The Fifth/Sixth Schedule consequences in I and II are not correctly stated.

Summary

Official Set A key is (d) neither. If an area is declared a Scheduled Area, the consequences are in the Fifth Schedule (and Sixth Schedule for the tribal areas of the North-East). Both statements as printed mis-state those consequences. Neither is correct.

Related possible facts

These can be asked in a future Prelims paper.

Fifth Schedule

Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes in States other than the Sixth Schedule areas. Governor and Tribes Advisory Council.

Paragraph 2, Fifth Schedule

Executive power of the State extends to Scheduled Areas, subject to the Schedule. Why I is textbook-false.

Paragraph 5

Governor may direct that a law does not apply, or apply with exceptions.

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Gram sabha in Scheduled Areas. The 'local body' neighbour of I.

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