

Corrigendum/Explanation SFG 2026 Level 1 Test 13

There are no changes to the solutions/answers. Explanations have been provided for the students who have raised doubts.

In Q.42) There was a doubt raised with respect to Statement I that “As per the Act, the Central Government may exceed its annual fiscal deficit target on the ground of collapse of agriculture severely affecting farm output and incomes.”

Explanation-Statement I is correct. There was specific doubt regarding the statement that the provision mentioned in the statement (the Central Government may exceed its annual fiscal deficit target on the ground of collapse of agriculture severely affecting farm output and incomes) was not part of the original Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act (FRBM Act), 2003 and was added to the act by an amendment. So, the statement should be correct or incorrect if the question simply asks as per the Act.

In this case, unless UPSC specifically asks about any particular amendment of the Act or asks that if any provision was present in the original act or not or asks that which provisions were added through amendment, we will consider the latest version of the act which may be original or may have been amended many times.

For example UPSC dropped an assertion reason question in Prelims 2024 which in the Statement I asked that “The Indian Flying Fox is placed under the “vermin” category in the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.” The statement is correct as per the original act. But by the time the exam was conducted, the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 was amended which removed the vermin category classification from the Act and is may be the reason why the question was dropped.