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Q1(b)

Marriage Regulations and Alliance Theory

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · Anthropology GS 1 · 10 marks · Family

2.4 Family: Definition and universality; Family, household and domestic groups; functions of family; Types of family (from the perspectives of structure, blood relation, marriage, residence and succession); Impact of urbanization, industrialization and feminist movements on family.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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Lévi-Strauss

The Elementary Structures of Kinship made alliance, not descent alone, the motor of kinship.

Leach

Political Systems of Highland Burma used Kachin gumsa-gumlao and marriage circles as a political field.

Dumont

Linked South Indian alliance to hierarchy and the gift of a daughter as a ranked act.

Weiner

Trobriand cloth and women's wealth revised the sister-exchange picture.

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