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Q1(a)

Debate between formalist and substantivist approaches

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2022 · Anthropology GS 1 · 10 marks · Economic Organization

3. Economic Organization: Meaning, scope and relevance of economic anthropology; Formalist and Substantivist debate; Principles governing production, distribution and exchange (reciprocity, redistribution and market), in communities, subsisting on hunting and gathering, fishing, swiddening, pastoralism, horticulture, and agriculture; globalization and indigenous economic systems.

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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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Karl Polanyi

The Great Transformation treated the self-regulating market as a historically rare, politically made institution.

Malinowski

Trobriand kula joined exchange, rank, magic, and partnership, which formal price theory cannot read as barter alone.

Bohannon

Tiv spheres of exchange showed that conversion across ranks of goods is morally charged, not frictionless substitution.

Sahlins

Stone Age Economics restated reciprocity and the domestic mode of production as substantivist alternatives to the market model.

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