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Q3(a)

Examine the structural and cultural theories of caste system in India

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · Anthropology GS 2 · 20 marks · Caste system in India

3.2 Caste system in India-Structure and characteristics, Varna and caste, Theories of origin of caste system, Dominant caste, Caste mobility, Future of caste system, Jajmani system. Tribe-caste continuum.

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M. N. Srinivas

Structural field caste: dominant caste, Sanskritisation, village.

Louis Dumont

Cultural theory of hierarchy as purity ideology.

McKim Marriott

Cultural-transactional view of caste and little-great tradition.

F. G. Bailey

Political-economic structure of caste teams and resources.

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