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Q3(a)

"Sanskritization is a culture-bound concept." Critically comment to assess the strength and limitation of this concept in developing a theoretical framework to study social change.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · Anthropology GS 2 · 20 marks · Indigenous and exogenous processes of socio-cultural change in Indian society

5.3 Indigenous and exogenous processes of socio-cultural change in Indian society: Sanskritization, Westernization, Modernization; Inter-play of little and great traditions; Panchayati Raj and social change; Media and Social change.

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M. N. Srinivas

Named Sanskritisation from Coorg and Mysore village work as ritual-rank mobility through imitation.

Westernisation

Srinivas's companion concept for change through British-derived education, technology, and law.

Marriott universalisation

Local rite rewritten as a pan-Indian or Sanskritic form; a related cultural flow, not identical with caste climbing.

Sri Narayana Guru

Ezhava movement in Kerala that combined temple rights and reform; only partly a copy of Brahmin style.

André Beteille

Tanjore study showing class and education can move without matching ritual Sanskritisation.

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