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Discuss the contribution of P.K. Bhowmick in decriminalising the status of the Lodha tribe.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · Anthropology GS 2 · 15 marks · Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization

1.1 Evolution of the Indian Culture and Civilization-Prehistoric (Palaeolithic, Mesolithic, Neolithic and Neolithic-Chalcolithic), Protohistoric (Indus Civilization). Pre-Harappan, Harappan and post-Harappan cultures. Contributions of the tribal cultures to Indian civilization.

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Criminal Tribes Act 1871

Colonial law notifying communities as hereditary criminals; repealed in 1952; groups reclassified as denotified.

Lodha PVTG

The Lodha of West Bengal are on the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group list.

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