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Q8(a)

Describe the nature of traditional socioeconomic interdependence among the Toda, Kota, Kurumba and Irula tribes of Nilgiri Hills. Highlight the changes occurring in these interrelationships

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · Anthropology GS 2 · 20 marks · The structure and nature of traditional Indian social system

3.1 The structure and nature of traditional Indian social system-Varnashrama, Purushartha, Karma, Rina and Rebirth.

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W. H. R. Rivers

Published The Todas in 1906, the classic ethnography of Nilgiri buffalo pastoralists.

Anthony Walker

Restudied Todas and the Nilgiri inter-tribal economy, documenting decline of old service relations.

Badaga

Kannada-speaking cultivators of the plateau who became agriculturally dominant and must be remembered as neighbours of the four.

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