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Anthropology short notes

Social change and contemporary tribal societies

UPSC Civil Services (Main) Examination · Anthropology GS 2 · Anthropology GS 2 (Paper II)

7.2 Social change and contemporary tribal societies: Impact of modern democratic institutions, development programmes and welfare measures on tribals and weaker sections.

Short notes by official syllabus heading.

Revision notes for the Anthropology optional. Confirm thinkers and examples against standard texts and recent papers.

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Social Change And Contemporary Tribal Societies

Definition

Anthropology as a Holistic Discipline

Thinkers

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Use field studies and empirical data.

Example / case study

Pathalgadi movement (Jharkhand), Naga urban local body election issue (2004-2024, women's reservation opposed). Gonds - Panchayats implement schemes, but customary panchayats oversee traditions.

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