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Q2(b)

Discuss Mahatma Gandhi's concept of seven sins.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · GS IV · 10 marks · Moral Thinkers and Philosophers

Contributions of moral thinkers and philosophers from India and the world.

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Seven social sins

A list associated with **Gandhi**, published in Young India in 1925 from a formulation he endorsed, pairing goods with missing virtues.

Trusteeship

Gandhi's idea that wealth and office are held in trust for society, the opposite of wealth without work.

Means and ends

Gandhi's insistence that impure means corrupt the goal, which is the core of politics without principle.

Young India

The journal through which **Gandhi** circulated political and ethical teaching, including the seven-sins list.

Sarvodaya

Welfare of all; the positive programme against a society organised around the seven sins.

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