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Q4(a)

Do you think that the Buddhist traditions have lent greater ethical foundation to the ancient Indian political thought? Give your arguments

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · PSIR GS 1 · 20 marks · Indian Political Thought

Indian Political Thought: Dharamshastra, Arthashastra and Buddhist traditions; Sir Syed Ahmed Khan, Sri Aurobindo, M.K. Gandhi, B.R. Ambedkar, M.N. Roy.

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Ashokan edicts

Inscriptions that recast imperial rule as dhamma after the Kalinga war.

Dhamma-mahamattas

Officers charged with spreading and overseeing dhamma in **Ashoka's** administration.

Arthashastra

Kautilya's treatise on the king's power, economy, and coercion.

Chakravartin

The Buddhist ideal of a wheel-turning righteous monarch.

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