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How has Rawls enriched the idea of justice in liberalism?

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · PSIR GS 1 · 20 marks · Justice

Justice: Conceptions of justice with special reference to Rawl's theory of justice and its communitarian critiques.

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A Theory of Justice, 1971

Rawls's main statement of the original position and the two principles.

Difference principle

Social and economic inequalities must be to the greatest benefit of the least advantaged.

Kesavananda, 1973

Basic structure protects a core of constitutional identity, a limit on majority like lexical liberties.

Minerva Mills, 1980

Held that harmony of Parts III and IV cannot mean destruction of fundamental rights.

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