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Q4(a)

Buddhist thought on Dhamma facilitates the emancipation of political action. Explain

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · PSIR GS 1 · 20 marks · Indian Political Thought

Indian Political Thought: Dharmashastra, 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

After Kalinga, **Ashoka** published repentance, public works, and moral instruction as the content of Dhamma-rule.

The **Buddha and His Dhamma**

Ambedkar's 1957 text presenting the **Buddha**'s teaching as a social gospel of equality.

Nagpur, 1956

Ambedkar's conversion with followers, a mass political-religious act of exit from caste Hinduism.

Article 17

Abolition of untouchability, the constitutional companion of **Ambedkar**'s Dhamma of equal worth.

Sangha procedure

Monastic rules of motion, debate, and consensus that model non-hereditary public decision.

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