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Q1(a)

Normative approach in Political Science.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · PSIR GS 1 · 10 marks · Political Theory

Political Theory: meaning and approaches.

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Easton

Defined politics as the authoritative allocation of values; the definition describes allocation, it does not say which allocation is just.

Rawls, 1971

A Theory of Justice restated social-contract argument as equal basic liberties plus fair opportunity and the difference principle.

Mill

On Liberty treats freedom of thought and discussion as required for human development, a classic normative claim.

Parts III and IV

Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles are written oughts that Indian courts and legislatures apply.

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