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Q4(c)

Do you think that legitimacy acquired by consent or manufactured by indoctrination is an essential element in maintenance of political rule? Justify your answer with relevant examples

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · PSIR GS 1 · 15 marks · Indian Nationalism

Indian Nationalism: Political Strategies of India's Freedom Struggle; Perspectives on Indian National Movement; Gandhi, Tagore, Nehru, Ambedkar, and the socialists.

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Weber's types

Traditional, charismatic, and legal-rational legitimacy are three ways obedience is experienced as rightful rather than as mere force.

Emergency, 1975-77

India's Emergency showed how quickly constitutional consent can be displaced, and how electoral restoration reopened a legitimacy claim.

Arendt

Totalitarian ideology and terror seek to make domination look like the law of nature or history, a limit case of manufactured legitimacy.

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