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Q3(a)

Provide a comparative analysis of behavioural and institutional approach to the study of Political theory

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · PSIR GS 1 · 20 marks · Political Theory

Political Theory: meaning and approaches.

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Easton

Politics as the authoritative allocation of values, and the political system as inputs of demand and support with outputs of decisions.

Civic culture

Almond and Verba linked democratic stability to a mix of participant, subject, and parochial attitudes, not to constitutions alone.

New institutionalism

March and Olsen treated institutions as rules of appropriateness; historical institutionalists added path dependence and critical junctures.

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