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Distinguish between family and household as sociological concepts.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · Sociology GS 1 · 15 marks · Systems of Kinship

Systems of Kinship: Family, household, marriage; Types and forms of family; Lineage and descent; Patriarchy and sexual division of labour; Contemporary trends.

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Census household

Usually a coresident group sharing a cooking arrangement; an operational, not a full kinship, unit.

Alliance

Marriage exchange that creates family ties across households.

Reproduction of labour-power

Marxian reading of what households do for capitalism, including unpaid care.

Female-headed household

A residential fact that may still sit inside a male-line family ideology.

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