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Q6(c)

Examine the role of protest movements in changing the status of Dalits in India.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · Sociology GS 1 · 15 marks · Politics and Society

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Ambedkar

Organised constitutional, religious, and political protest against caste as a system of graded inequality.

Atrocities law

A legal recognition, pushed by struggle, that caste violence is a public crime.

Reservations

State-sponsored mobility channel fought for by movements, not a gift from above alone.

Weber status

Honour and restricted interaction; the slowest of the three orders to change.

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