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Q7(a)

**"Religious pluralism is the order of present-day societies."
Explain by giving suitable examples.**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2016 · Sociology GS 1 · 20 marks · Religion and Society

Religion and Society: Sociological theories of religion; Types of religious practices: animism, monism, pluralism, sects, cults; Religion in modern society: religion and science, secularization, religious revivalism, fundamentalism.

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Pluralism as a condition that can relativise or, later he stressed, also revitalise faith.

Indian Census religion

Official plurality of named communities inside one territorial state.

Civil religion

Bellah: national sacred that can sit beside confessional plurality.

Personal law

Indian example of legal pluralism tied to religious community, inside a secular constitutional idiom.

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