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**Discuss the concept of circulation of elite**

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2019 · Sociology GS 1 · 10 marks · Sociology

Sociology - The Discipline: Modernity and social changes in Europe and emergence of sociology; Scope of the subject and comparison with other social sciences; Sociology and common sense.

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**Pareto**

Circulation of elites; residues of combination (foxes) and persistence (lions).

**Mosca**

Organised minority as a ruling class in all large societies.

**Michels**

Iron law of oligarchy in parties and unions.

**Mills**

Power elite as a contemporary institutional reading of minority rule.

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