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Q1(e)

Critically examine Max Weber's theory of Social Stratification.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2021 · Sociology GS 1 · 10 marks · Stratification and Mobility: Concepts

Stratification and Mobility: Concepts - equality, inequality, hierarchy, exclusion, poverty and deprivation; Theories of social stratification - Structural functionalist, Marxist, Weberian; Dimensions - Class, status groups, gender, ethnicity and race; Social mobility - open and closed systems, types, sources and causes.

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Class situation

Weber: typical chance in markets for goods and labour, shaped by property and skill.

Status group

A community of honour with restricted association and marriage.

Party

An organisation oriented to acquiring social power, often through the state.

Parkin

Developed social closure as exclusion and usurpation from Weberian status politics.

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