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Critically examine the World-Systems theory of Immanuel Wallerstein in terms of development and dependency of various nations

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · Sociology GS 1 · 10 marks · Social Change in Modern Society

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World-economy

A large zone with a single division of labour and many states, as opposed to a world-empire with one political centre.

Semi-periphery

An intermediate zone that both exploits and is exploited, and that buffers polarisation of the system.

Hegemonic cycles

Wallerstein's historical pattern of successive core powers that organise the world-economy for a period.

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