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Is the social stratification theory gender-blind? Elucidate.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2025 · 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.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

Numbers move. Confirm the latest Budget, Economic Survey or census round. This sheet is for revision, not a substitute for the model answer.

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Hartmann's unhappy marriage

The argument that Marxism without patriarchy, and feminism without capitalism, each leave stratification half-explained.

Walby's structures of patriarchy

Interrelated sites including household, paid work, the state and culture, not a single domestic scene.

Brahmanical patriarchy

Uma Chakravarti's account of how caste hierarchy is reproduced through control of women's sexuality and marriage.

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