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Feminization of poverty.

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2015 · Sociology GS 2 · 10 marks · Perspectives on the study of Indian society
Perspectives on the study of Indian society: Indology (G.S. Ghurye); Structural functionalism (M.N. Srinivas);
Marxist sociology (A.R. Desai).

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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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Seed and Earth

Dube's idiom that makes women the field, not the heir, and so structures female poverty.

Female-headed households

Widows and separated women who often lack land, pension, and steady wage.

Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)

Rural wage work that can put cash in women's hands when implementation is fair.

Informal labour

Domestic, home-based, and farm work outside most labour security.

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