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Q2(a)

Is caste system changing, weakening or disintegrating in India?

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2015 · Sociology GS 2 · 20 marks · Caste System

Caste System: Perspectives (G.S. Ghurye, M.N. Srinivas, Louis Dumont, Andre Beteille); Features of caste system; Untouchability - forms and perspectives.

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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Sanskritization

Srinivas's path of ranked mobility that changes position inside caste, not outside it.

Sripuram

Beteille's case of caste, class, and power no longer fully aligned.

Politicisation of caste

Kothari's point that democracy uses caste as an interest, which transforms rather than kills it.

Endogamy

The marriage rule that keeps jati as a reproductive boundary.

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