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Q2(c)

What are the changes in the cultural and structural aspects of the caste system since independence?

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2017 · Sociology GS 2 · 10 marks · Caste System

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

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Article 17

Constitutional abolition of untouchability that changed the public culture of caste.

Dominant caste

Srinivas's local power form that grew with land reform and panchayat politics.

Sripuram

Beteille's case of caste, class, and power beginning to part after agrarian change.

Endogamy

The structural hinge that independence did not break.

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