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Q6(a)

How do you account for the increasing significance of religion in public and personal spheres in the context of secularization thesis in India?

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · Sociology GS 2 · 20 marks · Religion and Society

Religion and Society: Religious communities in India; Problems of religious minorities.

Facts & figures for this PYQ only.

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Secularization thesis

Expectation that modernisation reduces the social power of religion.

Madan / Nandy

Critiques of imposing a Western private-religion model on India.

Rudolphs

Religious and caste bodies as modern political associations.

Yogendra Singh

Modernization of tradition rather than replacement of tradition.

Personal law

Faith-linked family law that keeps religion inside the state and the household.

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