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Q2(a)

Differentiate between 'Western' and 'Indological' perspectives on the study of Indian society. Bring out the major aspects of G. S. Ghurye's contribution to 'Indological' approach

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2024 · Sociology GS 2 · 20 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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Caste and Race in India

Ghurye's classic statement of caste features from textual, historical and ethnographic materials.

Book view / field view

Srinivas's warning that shastric models must be checked against village and urban practice.

Elwin versus Ghurye

Isolation and protection of tribal culture versus assimilation into Hindu society.

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