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Topic:- DU J18 MPHIL SOCIO Topic01

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What are the organizational changes that the author is referring to? [Question ID = 2447]

- 1. All of these [Option ID = 9788]
- 2. development of new agencies, [Option ID = 9785]
- 3. procurement of personnel, [Option ID = 9786]
- 4. new norms, and changes in bases of legitimation [Option ID = 9787]

Correct Answer:-

• All of these [Option ID = 9788]



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What can change the circular stability of a zero-sum power system?

[Question ID = 2446]

- 1. economic investment [Option ID = 9783]
- 2. administrative measures [Option ID = 9781]
- 3. judicial interaction [Option ID = 9784]
- 4. leadership independent of routine power position [Option ID = 9782]

Correct Answer:-

• leadership independent of routine power position [Option ID = 9782]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic02

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K. Sivaramakrishnan. 2011. Environment, Law, and Democracy in India. Journal of Asian Studies, Vol. 70, No. 4.

From the above passage we can definitively conclude that feminists and environmentalists: [Question ID = 2525]

- 1. Have the same set of concerns [Option ID = 10097]
- 2. Have much to learn from each other [Option ID = 10098]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10100]
- 4. Are both sceptical of judicial activism [Option ID = 10099]

Correct Answer:-

- None of these [Option ID = 10100]
- 2) The other perspective is of Indian feminist scholarship. There is now a very interesting debate on the place of judicial activism, and concomitant casting of issues in a rights framework, when it comes to securing the well-being of women in all situations. Litigation to develop more specific legal instruments, or to make bureaucratic delivery of services more accountable, is not seen by some feminists as a panacea. There is an interesting debate among feminists about the efficacy even desirability of judicial activism in securing the rights of women (Rajan 2003, 34-35). Feminist theorists and activists have questioned the wisdom of allowing liberal state ideologies to express themselves in the language carefully crafted and made legitimate by years of struggle in women's movements. Should Indian environmentalists have the same worries? Does judicial activism, relying on the enterprise and commitments of environmental justice movements, reformulate the environment question in terms enabling cooptation by the liberal state? What role can metropolitan civil society organizations play in between quality of life issues forcefully articulated by a newly assertive and growing middle class, and rights to livelihood for most poor people driven to the wall by private-public partnerships in industrial and social infrastructure?

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From the above paragraph, it can be inferred that: [Question ID = 2522]

- 1. The feminist movement can learn from the challenges faced by the environmental movement [Option ID = 10085]
- 2. The efficacy and desirability of judicial activism may be debated. [Option ID = 10087]
- 3. The quality of life issues of the newly assertive and growing middle class is responsible for the loss of livelihood of the poor. [Option ID = 10088]
- 4. Judicial activism allows the cooptation of environmentalists by the liberal state. [Option ID = 10086]

Correct Answer :-

• The efficacy and desirability of judicial activism may be debated. [Option ID = 10087]



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According to the above passage, judicial activism is associated with: [Question ID = 2523]

- 1. Development of more specific legal instruments [Option ID = 10091]
- 2. Reformulating the environmental question [Option ID = 10089]
- 3 All of these [Ontion ID = 10092]
- 4. Reframing the well being of women in a rights framework [Option ID = 10090]

Correct Answer:-

- Reframing the well being of women in a rights framework [Option ID = 10090]
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Which of the following should be entirely avoided according to Indian feminist scholarship?

- a. Casting of issues in a rights framework
- b. Making bureaucratic delivery of services more accountable
- c. Litigation to develop more specific legal instruments
- d. Judicial activism [Question ID = 2524]

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- 2. All of these [Option ID = 10093]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10096]
- 4. a and d [Option ID = 10094]

Correct Answer:-

• None of these [Option ID = 10096]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic03

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Thomas Hylland Eriksen (2014). Global Citizenship and the Challenge from Cultural Relativism, In Aksel Braanen Sterri (ed.), *Global citizen - challenges and responsibility in an interconnected world*. Rotterdam, Sense Publishers.

From the above passage it can be inferred that: [Question ID = 2541]

- 1. Human rights discourse uses notions of personhood which may be egocentric but not sociocentric. [Option ID = 10162]
- 2. Anthropological notion of personhood problematises the concept of abstract humanity. [Option ID = 10161]
- 3. Anthropological notion of personhood has contributed to the human rights discourse. [Option ID = 10164]
- 4. The concern with personhood is largely an academic fad. [Option ID = 10163]

Correct Answer :

• Anthropological notion of personhood problematises the concept of abstract humanity. [Option ID = 10161]



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Renteln's work argued that:

[Question ID = 2540]

- 1. Lex talionis should be the basis of international human rights because of its universality. [Option ID = 10157]
- 2. Lex talionis is concerned with an abstract concept of humanity. [Option ID = 10158]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10160]
- 4. The idea of universal human rights has very little empirical foundation. [Option ID = 10159]

Correct Answer :-

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From the above passage it can be inferred that Renteln's findings were uncontroversial for anthropologists because:

[Question ID = 2539]

- 1. Anthropologists are not committed to cultural relativism. [Option ID = 10154]
- 2. Anthropologists have long accepted the idea of international human rights. [Option ID = 10153]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10156]
- 4. She focused on the concept of the person which has a wide currency in anthropology. [Option ID = 10155]

Correct Answer:-

• None of these [Option ID = 10156]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic04



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But what is the logic, if any, that ties together these argumentations against the many historic evidences of Hindu divorce? We have seen that the denial concerning Hindu divorce elaborates four main themes: time, caste, gender, and law. All the above argumentations, very often interwoven, are related to the mainstream conceptualization of the indissolubility of Hindu marriage that substantiated the various degrees of the illegitimacy of Hindu divorce. They find their roots in the specific history and scope of Hindu law and in the opposition between law and custom: the first dictating the axiom of the indissoluble marriage and the second providing various forms of dissolution falling in the realm of custom and beyond the one of the law. Yet the exclusion of the everyday practices from the legal domain was possibly against the very essence of South Asian law, which has been characterized since ancient times by a great attention to the right balance between ruler's law and people's law. Hindu treatises emphasized the king's duty to respect people's customs, thereby attesting the relevance of a customary justice ... and the legal administration of classical and medieval India tended to recognize custom as an integral part of the legal system. Such a pragmatic approach has also been confirmed by contextual sources, i.e. drama and novels, showing that the king used his own means to achieve order and to administer justice beyond the precepts of upper caste Hindu tradition Instead, the opposition between the ideal of indissoluble marriage perceived to be the law, against forms of customary divorce bringing disrepute and loss of status was, first of all, the ideological elitist perspective of the Brahman upper caste.

Livia Holden. 2008. Hindu divorce: A legal anthropology, Aldershot, Ashgate

From the above passage it can be inferred that:

[Question ID = 2545]

- 1. There is much historical evidence which disproves the idea of indissolubility of Hindu marriage. [Option ID = 10178]
- 2. Illegitimacy of divorce is common due to its customary character. [Option ID = 10177]
- 3. All of these [Option ID = 10180]
- 4. The idea that divorce brings about loss of status is very common across social groups. [Option ID = 10179]

Correct Answer:-

• There is much historical evidence which disproves the idea of indissolubility of Hindu marriage. [Option ID = 10178]



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From the above passage, it can be inferred that: [Question ID = 2543]

- 1. None of these [Option ID = 10172]
- 2. Divorce is largely unknown in Indian subcontinent. [Option ID = 10171]
- 3. Hindu marriages are a sacrament. [Option ID = 10170]
- 4. Hindu marriages have always been indissoluble. [Option ID = 10169]

Correct Answer :-

- None of these [Option ID = 10172]
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From the above passage it can be inferred that: [Question ID = 2544]

- 1. Because marriages are indissoluble among Hindus, divorce is illegitimate in various degrees. [Option ID = 10176]
- 2. There was a balance between the people's law and the rulers law which permitted a greater acceptability of divorce than the subsequent separation of law and custom, [Option ID = 10174]
- 3. Divorce was recognized by the precolonial rulers although this changed in colonial times. [Option ID = 10175]
- 4. Divorce is much more common in modern times than in the past and this is owing to its legal recognition. [Option ID = 10173]

Correct Answer :-

• There was a balance between the people's law and the rulers law which permitted a greater acceptability of divorce than the subsequent separation of law and custom. [Option ID = 10174]

Topic:- DU J18 MPHIL SOCIO Topic05

1) It is part of the folk wisdom of the field that historians have been increasingly enthusiastic about new developments in the sociology of scientific knowledge while philosophers of science have remained more resistant. Certainly, there has been a marked antipathy to some forms of philosophy by sociologists. Philosophy bashing perhaps reached its apogee with Bloor's (1976: 45) comment that "to ask questions of the sort which philosophers address to themselves is usually to paralyse the mind." Since the debate between Bloor (1981) and Laudan (1981), however, some philosophers have evinced sympathy for the work of the sociology of scientific knowledge (for example, Nickles, 1982, 1984). This suggests that it is perhaps no longer productive to dismiss all attempts at philosophizing science (Knorr-Cetina, 1982a).

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Which of the following statements can be inferred from the above passage? [Question ID = 2548]

- 1. Some sociologists find some philosophical questions meaningless. [Option ID = 10192]
- 2. Sociologists have been supportive of philosophers. [Option ID = 10191]
- 3. Historians are not in favor of the sociology of scientific knowledge. [Option ID = 10189]
- 4. Philosophers of science have supported the sociology of scientific knowledge. [Option ID = 10190]

Correct Answer :-

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The author suggests that the empirical evidence in Laboratory Life is likely to change the minds of those who have an ontological bent of mind. [Question ID = 2547]

- 1. None of these is true. [Option ID = 10188]
- 2. The above statement is true. [Option ID = 10186]
- 3. The above statement is untrue. [Option ID = 10185]
- 4. The passage is unclear about the statement. [Option ID = 10187]

Correct Answer:-

• The above statement is untrue. [Option ID = 10185]

Topic:- DU J18 MPHIL SOCIO Topic06

				2007-08				
		(Enrolmen	t figures in	thousand	s)		
	Edu	cation	Engin	eering	Med	dicine	L	aw
Year	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
2001- 02	115.3	50.1	942.4	211.7	148.3	60.2	271.0	56.0
2004- 05	155.2	68.0	1085.2	252.5	256.7	89.1	319.7	68.6
2007- 08	370.7	198.7	1490.6	411.6	449.3	207.8	294.0	69.2

Note: Engineering includes Polytechnic and Diploma courses. Source: University Grants Commission

Read the above table carefully and answer the questions below:

The proportionate increase in total enrolment between 2001-02 and 2004-05 is the highest:

[Question ID = 2553]

L. In Medicine, [Option ID = 10212]

2. In Education. [Option ID = 10210]

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- 3. In Engineering. [Option ID = 10209
- 4. In Law. [Option ID = 10211]

Correct Answer:-

• In Medicine. [Option ID = 10212]

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The increase in the share of women in total enrolment between 2004-05 and 2007-08 is the highest:

[Question ID = 2552]

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- 1. In Medicine and Law. [Option ID = 10207]
- 2. In Education and Medicine. [Option ID = 10208]
- 3. In Education and Engineering. [Option ID = 10206]
- 4. In Engineering and Law. [Option ID = 10205]

Correct Answer :-

• In Education and Medicine. [Option ID = 10208]

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Which of these statements is false?



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- 1. Women's enrolment in all four faculties has been increasing continuously over the three years. [Option ID = 10197]
- 2. Engineering has always had more women enrolled than any other faculty. [Option ID = 10199]
- 3. Total enrolment in all four faculties has been increasing continuously over the three years. [Option ID = 10198]
- 4. The faculty with the second highest number of women enrolled is the same in all three years. [Option ID = 10200]

Correct Answer:-

• Total enrolment in all four faculties has been increasing continuously over the three years. [Option ID = 10198]

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	Edu	cation	Engin	eering	Med	licine	L	aw
Year	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women	Total	Women
2001- 02	115.3	50.1	942.4	211.7	148.3	60.2	271.0	56.0
2004- 05	155.2	68.0	1085.2	252.5	256.7	89.1	319.7	68.6
2007- 08	370.7	198.7	1490.6	411.6	449.3	207.8	294.0	69.2

Note: Engineering includes Polytechnic and Diploma courses. Source: University Grants Commission

Read the above table carefully and answer the questions below:

Which of these statements is true?

[Question ID = 2551]

- 1. Women's *share* in total enrolment is the highest in Education except in 2007-08. [Option ID = 10202]
- 2. Women's *share* in total enrolment is the highest in Education except in 2001-02. [Option ID = 10203]
- 3. Women's *share* in total enrolment is the highest in Education in all the three years. [Option ID = 10201]
- 4. Women's *share* in total enrolment is the highest in Education only in 2004-05. [Option ID = 10204]

Correct Answer :-

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The table suggests that male domination (in terms of numbers) has been the greatest in: [Question ID = 2554]

- 1. The table does not provide any information on men's enrolment. [Option ID = 10216]
- 2. Engineering and Medicine. [Option ID = 10213]



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3.	Engine	ering	and	Law.	[Option	ID =	10215
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4. Medicine and Law. [Option ID = 10214]

Correct Answer:-

• Engineering and Law. [Option ID = 10215]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic07

 $^{1)}$ In the mid-twentieth century, actors in various positions throughout Latin America predicted that indigenous identification would fade away as modern development created national citizens. Not only had governments tried hard to develop nonindigenous modern citizens, but after centuries in which individuals labeled "Indian" and "African" were legally, economically and socially discriminated, people found all kinds of ways to evade these identities. Many observers - from scholars to political leaders to National Geographic magazine - declared that "Indians were disappearing." Observing Bolivian life in the 1980s, anthropologist Thomas Abercrombie (1992: 96) wrote that, given their advantage in force, it is not surprising that aspects of the colonizers' value systems have become hegemonic, so that the stigma attached long ago by Europeans to "Indianness" has worked its way into "Indian" selfconsciousness as well. Consequently, self-proclaimed Indians are exceedingly scarce. Donna Van Cott (2003: 755) calculates that throughout the twentieth century, although the majority of the Bolivian population spoke indigenous languages as their mother tongue, no more than 2.7 percent of the populace ever voted for indigenous-identified political parties in a national election. The following section traces aspects of radical changes leading up to the 2005 election of indigenous-identified Evo Morales as president of Bolivia.

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Many observers were declaring that "Indians were disappearing" because:

[Question ID = 2556]

- 1. No more than 2.7 percent of the populace ever voted. [Option ID = 10222]
- 2. Few Indians were self-identifying as Indians. [Option ID = 10224]
- 3. Modernity is a force that destroys identity. [Option ID = 10223]
- 4. Colonizer's value systems had not become hegemonic. [Option ID = 10221]

Correct Answer:

• Few Indians were self-identifying as Indians. [Option ID = 10224]





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From the above passage it can be definitively concluded that:

[Question ID = 2557]

- 1. Anthropologists were wrong about Indians disappearing. [Option ID = 10226]
- 2. Evo Morales was the first indigenous president of Bolivia. [Option ID = 10225]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10228
- 4. National citizenship and indigenous identity contradict each other. [Option ID = 10227]

Correct Answer:-

- None of these [Option ID = 10228]
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It can be inferred from the above passage that:

[Question ID = 2558]

- 1. Indigenous identity existed in Bolivia even in the twentieth century when it was not publicly asserted. [Option ID = 10231]
- 2. Bolivian national elections do not allow for Indian identity to be asserted. [Option ID = 10230]
- 3. Evo Morales was elected president of Bolivia because of his indigenous identity. [Option ID = 10232]
- 4. 'Indian' and 'African' identities are unclear in Bolivian public life. [Option ID = 10229]

Correct Answer:-

• Indigenous identity existed in Bolivia even in the twentieth century when it was not publicly asserted. [Option ID = 10231]

Topic:- DU J18 MPHIL SOCIO Topic08

In emphasizing material flows, ecologically unequal exchange problematizes localized analyses of sustainability and environmental improvement or degradation that lack connectivities to broader regional and global contexts. Given the global reach of interdependencies and commodity chains, how might we reasonably understand the sustainability of one place, unless through thorough consideration of the multitude of material flows upon which the metabolism of the place depends? Extractive and productive activities in a central place or core metropolitan region result in a set of ecological consequences for that territory. The set of ecological consequences of total consumption in the same place will, however, be considerably greater, as much of what is consumed is extracted or produced elsewhere. At the other end, in the global periphery, environmental loads and degradation are often greater than what corresponds to consumption.

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The central argument of this passage is about the:

[Question ID = 2560]

- 1. relationship between core and periphery. [Option ID = 10239]
- 2. ecological consequences of total consumption. [Option ID = 10237]
- 3. struggles over material flows. [Option ID = 10240]
- 4. scale of analysis of ecological sustainability. [Option ID = 10238]

Correct Answer:-

• scale of analysis of ecological sustainability. [Option ID = 10238]



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The relation between consumption and environmental degradation:

[Ouestion ID = 2561]

- 1. is inversely related in core and periphery. [Option ID = 10241]
- 2. cannot be understood within narrow territorial limits. [Option ID = 10242]
- 3. cannot be measured accurately. [Option ID = 10244]
- 4. is achieved through global interdependencies and commodity chains. [Option ID = 10243]

Correct Answer:-

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The passage suggests that without an emphasis on material flows:

[Question ID = 2562]

- 1. Consequences of consumption may be underestimated in the periphery. [Option ID = 10247]
- 2. Consequences of consumption may be underestimated in core regions. [Option ID = 10245]
- 3. Consequences of consumption may be overestimated in core regions. [Option ID = 10246]
- 4. Consequences of consumption may be overestimated in the periphery. [Ontion ID = 10248



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• Consequences of consumption may be underestimated in core regions. [Option ID = 10245]

Topic:- DU J18 MPHIL SOCIO Topic09

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This edition however constitutes only the very first attempt at a critical survey based entirely on the scrutiny of manuscripts of an old text. It still contains within its body obvious redundancies and contradictions which are discernible even to a lay reader like the present author. To give only a few examples: (1) The critical text has two distinct beginnings of the story of which one is obviously a later addition.

Irawati Karve. 2008 Yuganta. New Delhi, Disha Books

The critical edition of the Mahabharat was compiled by:

[Question ID = 2564]

- 1. Choosing a text which is internally consistent. [Option ID = 10255]
- 2. Finding the oldest extant text and terming it the critical edition. [Option ID = 10253]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10256]
- 4. Comparing existing manuscripts and taking what is common to them all as the oldest text. [Option ID = 10254]

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The task of compiling the critical edition was undertaken by:

[Question ID = 2565]

- 1. Indian scholars and foreign scholars in collaboration. [Option ID = 10259]
- 2. the Government of India, Ancient Epics Publication Division. [Option ID = 10258]
- 3. scholars based at the Bhandarkar Oriental Institute in Pune. [Option ID = 10257]
- 4. None of these [Option ID = 10260]

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Which of the following statements is correct according to the passage:

[Question ID = 2566]

- 1. A 10^{th} century Kashmiri manuscript appears to be the oldest extant one for the most part. [Option ID = 10263]
- 2. There are manuscripts of the Mahabharat only in Bengali, Hindi, Marathi, Telugu and Malyalam. [Option ID = 10262]
- 3. None of these [Option ID = 10264]
- 4. The Mahabharat has many versions, but only the version published by the Gita Press is right. [Option ID = 10261]

Correct Answer:-

• None of these [Option ID = 10264]



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Which of the following statements is false based on what the author tells us

[Question ID = 2567]

- 1. All of these [Option ID = 10268]
- 2. The two versions which begin the story are both equally plausible as the oldest version and have therefore been included. [Option ID = 10267]
- 3. The critical edition has managed to achieve almost total internal consistency. [Option ID = 10265]
- 4. The critical edition is much longer than all the editions because it includes all the variations. [Option ID = 10266]

Correct Answer :-

• All of these [Option ID = 10268]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic10



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A battle over the living past is going on at present in Germany. This Historikerstreit, as they call it, concerns the question: Is the Nazi extermination of the Jews unique or not? The German historian Ernst Nolte has called "the so-called extermination of the Jews by the Third Reich" "a reaction or a distorted copy and not an original action? The original was, according to Nolte, the extermination of the Kulaks in the Soviet Union and Stalin's purges in the 1930s. They were what Hitler copied.

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But in this debate no one mentions the German extermination of the Herero people in southwest Africa during Hitler's childhood. No one mentions the corresponding genocide by the French, the British, or the Americans. No one points out that during Hitler's childhood, a major element in the European view of mankind was the conviction that "inferior races" were by nature condemned to extinction: the true compassion of the superior races consisted in helping them on the way.

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Sven Lindquist. 2007. Exterminate the Brutes. The New Press.

According to the author, Hitler's model for extermination was:

[Question ID = 2569]

- 1. British, French and other European treatment of natives in their colonies. [Option ID = 10276]
- 2. Massacre of Armenians in the 1900s. [Option ID = 10274]
- 3. German extermination of Herero peoples. [Option ID = 10275]
- 4. Stalin's purge of Kulaks. [Option ID = 10273]

Correct Answer :-

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According to the author,

[Question ID = 2570]

- 1. the holocaust is an exact copy of other genocides. [Option ID = 10277]
- 2. all historical events are unique. [Option ID = 10278]
- 3. all genocides are both unique and comparable. [Option ID = 10279]
- 4. None of these [Option ID = 10280]

Correct Answer :-

• all genocides are both unique and comparable. [Option ID = 10279]

Topic:- DU_J18_MPHIL_SOCIO_Topic11



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"I didn't even cry on my wedding day. Everybody said, 'Why didn't you cry?' I said I was going to come back to England. He should be crying – he's leaving his house" (Asma, married to her first cousin Tahir [MZS]).

As her husband was going to leave Pakistan and his natal home to join her in Bristol, whilst she would be returning to the bosom of her family, Tahir's wife Asma saw no reason to follow convention and grieve at her rukhsati (the final ritual of the wedding day, when the bride leaves her parents to go to her husband's house). Her statement makes the connection described frequently by women during the course of my research between marriage, migration, and emotional loss (cf. Bradby 2000; Jeffery & Jeffery 1996; Raheja & Gold 1994). Whilst this is conventionally the experience of the bride, Asma points out that in this case it is her husband who will suffer the losses of migration, although he would not be expected to publicize these 'female' emotions in a show of tears for the wedding guests. Interviewing Tahir revealed that his migration to Britain had indeed been traumatic. A university graduate hoping for a professional career, he had held a series of arduous manual jobs before securing processing work that, while repetitive and low status, was at least relatively comfortable. However, in addition to these work and status-related challenges, Tahir also spoke of the difficulties that he had experienced adjusting to his wife's family. Marriage entails new kinship relationships and statuses, not just for the bride and groom, but also in the wider field of new affines. In both the academic literature and among those with whom I worked, it is the relations which marriage forges between women that are most commonly discussed, with strong stereotypes of the overbearing mother-in-law, jealous sister-in-law, and vulnerable new bride.

The reason for this gendered discourse lies in conventional patri-virilocal residence patterns – as a bride goes to live in her husband's family home, the nature of her relationships with his relatives are of fundamental importance to the quality of her married life. the *ghar jamai/ghar damad* is also the subject of stereotypes, generally considered to be an undesirable position with its connotations of being, like the conventional daughter-in-law, dependent on and subservient to the in-laws.

Katharine Charsley. 2005. "Unhappy Husbands: Masculinity and Migration in Transnational Pakistani Marriages." *The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 11, no. 1.

Transnational families:

[Question ID = 2574]

- 1. import husbands for their daughters. [Option ID = 10293]
- 2. reinforce and subvert kinship structures. [Option ID = 10297]
- 3. All of these [Option ID = 10299]
- 4. want spouses from the homeland for their children. [Option ID = 10295]

Correct Answer :-

• All of these [Option ID = 10299]



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In the passage, which of the following is suggested:

[Question ID = 2577]

- 1. A ghar damad is a valued member in his marital home. [Option ID = 10308]
- 2. A ghar damad is a necessary outcome of migration. [Option ID = 10304]
- 3. A ghar damad loses his status in his parental home. [Option ID = 10306]
- 4. A ghar damad is a powerless figure in his marital home. [Option ID = 10302]

Correct Answer :-

• A ghar damad is a powerless figure in his marital home. [Option ID = 10302]



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"I didn't even cry on my wedding day. Everybody said, 'Why didn't you cry?' I said I was going to come back to England. He should be crying – he's leaving his house" (Asma, married to her first cousin Tahir [MZS]).

As her husband was going to leave Pakistan and his natal home to join her in Bristol, whilst she would be returning to the bosom of her family, Tahir's wife Asma saw no reason to follow convention and grieve at her rukhsati (the final ritual of the wedding day, when the bride leaves her parents to go to her husband's house). Her statement makes the connection described frequently by women during the course of my research between marriage, migration, and emotional loss (cf. Bradby 2000; Jeffery & Jeffery 1996; Raheja & Gold 1994). Whilst this is conventionally the experience of the bride, Asma points out that in this case it is her husband who will suffer the losses of migration, although he would not be expected to publicize these 'female' emotions in a show of tears for the wedding guests. Interviewing Tahir revealed that his migration to Britain had indeed been traumatic. A university graduate hoping for a professional career, he had held a series of arduous manual jobs before securing processing work that, while repetitive and low status, was at least relatively comfortable. However, in addition to these work and status-related challenges, Tahir also spoke of the difficulties that he had experienced adjusting to his wife's family. Marriage entails new kinship relationships and statuses, not just for the bride and groom, but also in the wider field of new affines. In both the academic literature and among those with whom I worked, it is the relations which marriage forges between women that are most commonly discussed, with strong stereotypes of the overbearing mother-in-law, jealous sister-in-law, and vulnerable new bride.

The reason for this gendered discourse lies in conventional patri-virilocal residence patterns – as a bride goes to live in her husband's family home, the nature of her relationships with his relatives are of fundamental importance to the quality of her married life. the *ghar jamai/ghar damad* is also the subject of stereotypes, generally considered to be an undesirable position with its connotations of being, like the conventional daughter-in-law, dependent on and subservient to the in-laws.

Katharine Charsley. 2005. "Unhappy Husbands: Masculinity and Migration in Transnational Pakistani Marriages." *The Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 11, no. 1.

Asma refused to cry at her wedding:

[Question ID = 2572]

- 1. Asma thought her new husband should cry at their wedding. [Option ID = 10288]
- 2. because she would remain in her natal home. [Option ID = 10287]
- 3. because she was marrying the man of her choice. [Option ID = 10285]
- 4. because she was an unconventional girl. [Option ID = 10286]

Correct Answer :-

• because she would remain in her natal home. [Option ID = 10287]

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How does the author expect to discuss the question of rights? [Question ID = 2626]

- 1. As a development over time. [Option ID = 10501]
- 2. The role of moral and political rights. [Option ID = 10503]
- 3. The development of controversies over time. [Option ID = 10502]
- 4. To discuss current controversies about rights. [Option ID = 10504]

Correct Answer :-

• To discuss current controversies about rights. [Option ID = 10504]



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If 'rights as prohibitions' are compared to 'rights as permissions', which of the following statement is true? [Question ID = 2630]

- 1. Permissions do not involve moral authority. [Option ID = 10520]
- 2. Both involve a relationship with moral authority. [Option ID = 10518]
- 3. Both involve political authority. [Option ID = 10517]
- 4. Prohibitions are not about moral authority. [Option ID = 10519]

Correct Answer:-

• Both involve a relationship with moral authority. [Option ID = 10518]



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Which of the following statements is most likely to be true? [Question ID = 2629]

- 1. The passage is a discussion on the study of rights. [Option ID = 10513]
- 2. The passage is a discussion on moral philosophy. [Option ${\rm ID}=10514$]
- 3. The passage is a discussion on global politics. [Option ID = 10515]
- 4. The passage is a discussion on political authorities. [Option ID = 10516]

Correct Answer:-

• The passage is a discussion on the study of rights. [Option ID = 10513]



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Which role of rights has predominated in 'traditional discussions'?

[Question ID = 2628]

- 1. Rights that allow persons to pursue projects of their own choosing. [Option ID = 10509]
- 2. Rights that protect individual from encroachments by political authorities. [Option ID = 10510]
- 3. Rights that allow 'moral armor' rather than 'moral breathing room'. [Option ID = 10511]
- 4. Rights that allow 'moral breathing room' rather than 'moral armor'. [Option ID = 10512]

Correct Answer :-

• Rights that allow 'moral armor' rather than 'moral breathing room'. [Option ID = 10511]



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What, according to the author, are the most important controversies?

[Question ID = 2627]

- 1. Global politics, political philosophy and the concept of rights. [Option ID = 10507]
- 2. Global politics and political philosophy. [Option ID = 10505]
- 3. Substantive legal philosophy and conceptual political philosophy. [Option ID = 10508]
- 4. Rights as permissions and rights as prohibitions. [Option ID = 10506]

Correct Answer:

• Global politics, political philosophy and the concept of rights. [Option ID = 10507]

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Ugo Matei and Laura Nader 2008. Plunder: When the Rule of Law is Illegal. MA, Backwell.

From the above passage, it can be infered that the progressive aspects of rule of law:

[Question ID = 2632]

- 1. were encouraged by Cold War politics. [Option ID = 10526]
- 2. were a reflection of American hegemony. [Option ID = 10525]
- 3. are false historically and in the present. [Option ID = 10527]
- 4. are a consequence of ideas of justice. [Option ID = 10528]

Correct Answer:-

• were encouraged by Cold War politics. [Option ID = 10526]



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Incentives for institutional virtues were high during the Cold War because:

[Question ID = 2634]

- 1. Profits were not as important before the 1990s. [Option ID = 10535]
- 2. of political empowerment that the ruling elites provided to rule of law. [Option ID = 10533]
- 3. Ruling elites had to persuade other countries that their system was better. [Option ID = 10534]
- 4. Justice was valued as a fundamental by the ruling elites. [Option ID = 10536]

Correct Answer:-

• Ruling elites had to persuade other countries that their system was better. [Option ID = 10534]



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The autonomy of law is seen in this passage as:

[Question ID = 2633]

- 1. a subaltern and naturalized image. [Option ID = 10532]
- 2. a dominant and unrealistic image. [Option ID = 10529]
- 3. a dominant and self-congratulatory image. [Option ID = 10531]
- 4. a dominant image that is no longer upheld. [Option ID = 10530]

Correct Answer:-

• a dominant and unrealistic image. [Option ID = 10529]



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The relationship between law and politics according to the passage above is:

[Question ID = 2635]

- 1. self-congratulatory rhetoric. [Option ID = 10539]
- 2. detrimental to the political soul of law. [Option ID = 10538]
- 3. fundamentally transforming for law. [Option ID = 10537]
- 4. has a dark and a bright side. [Option ID = 10540]

Correct Answer:-

• fundamentally transforming for law. [Option ID = 10537]

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What does the passage reveal about Gowalkar's attitude towards the cow?

[Question ID = 2640]

- 1. He said that Hindus should not treat the cow as sacred. [Option ID = 10560]
- 2. He saw the cow as the wealth of the nation. [Option ID = 10558]
- 3. Gowalkar wanted to embarrass the government. [Option ID = 10559]
- 4. The cow had no significance for him. [Option ID = 10557]

Correct Answer :-

 $\bullet~$ Gowalkar wanted to embarrass the government. [Option ID = 10559]



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What are Dr. Kurien's views towards the cow?

[Question ID = 2639]

- 1. Dr Verghese Kurien did not believe in the sacred attributes of cows. [Option ID = 10553]
- 2. Dr. Verghese Kurien was a politician who promoted the purity of milk. [Option ID = 10555]
- 3. Dr. Verghese Kurien held that culling was necessary for the milk revolution. [Option ID = 10554]
- 4. None of these [Option ID = 10556]

Correct Answer:-

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For the Jan Sangh:

[Question ID = 2637]

- 1. the cow is a political icon. [Option ID = 10548]
- 2. the cow is a domestic animal. [Option ID = 10545]
- 3. the cow was primarily a ritual animal. [Option ID = 10547]
- 4. the ecology of cattle rearing is significant. [Option ID = 10546]

Correct Answer :-

• the ecology of cattle rearing is significant. [Option ID = 10546]



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What were the attitudes of the two organizations towards the cow?

[Question ID = 2638]

- 1. For the VHP the cow was a thought provoking animal. [Option ID = 10552]
- 2. The VHP refused to acknowledge the economic ecology of cattle rearing. [Option ID = 10551]
- 3. The VHP had no understanding of economic ecology of cattle rearing. [Option ID = 10550]
- 4. The Jan Sangh and the VHP did not agree on the sacred quality of the cow. [Option ID = 10549]

Correct Answer:-

• The VHP refused to acknowledge the economic ecology of cattle rearing. [Option ID = 10551]

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Acording to Bourdieu, phenomenologists are interested in:

[Question ID = 2700]

- 1. practical comprehension. [Option ID = 10799]
- 2. personal singularities of an intention. [Option ID = 10800]
- 3. objective intentions of practices and works. [Option ID = 10797]
- 4. automatic and impersonal practices. [Option ID = 10798]

Correct Answer:-

• personal singularities of an intention. [Option ID = 10800]



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Habitus produces commonsense world endowed with objectivity, by

[Question ID = 2698]

- 1. continuous reinforcement of meaning interpreted schemes. [Option ID = 10790]
- 2. harmonizing agents' experiences. [Option ID = 10789]
- 3. securing consensus on the meaning of practices. [Option ID = 10791]
- 4. All of these [Option ID = 10792]

Correct Answer:-

• securing consensus on the meaning of practices. [Option ID = 10791]



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Homogeneity of habitus enables:

[Question ID = 2699]

- 1. limiting the group of agents processing the schemes of production and interpretation of habitus. [Option ID = 10793]
- 2. making practices and works to be immediately intelligible and foreseeable. [Option ID = 10794]
- 3. deconstructing an agent's taken for granted intentions. [Option ID = 10795]
- 4. All of these [Option ID = 10796]

Correct Answer:-

• making practices and works to be immediately intelligible and foreseeable. [Option ID = 10794]

