Paper-IV : Sociology of Tribal Society

1. Definition and scope of social Anthropology, Importance of social anthropology for the understanding. The concept of tribe; tribe and caste.

2. Demographic profile : habitat, distribution and concentration of tribal people, tribal zones, sex ratio, status of women.

3. Classification of tribal people : food gatherers and hunters, shifting cultivators, nomads, pastoralist, peasants and settled agriculturists, artisans.

4. Socio - cultural profile : ethnic and cultural diversity; characteristic features of tribal society, kinship, marriage and family, tribal languages, religious beliefs and practices:

5. Social mobility and change : Hinduization and Sanskritization formation of tribal states; the impact of colonial rule on tribal society.


7. Tribal migration and its socio-economic impact (special reference to Gujarat)

8. Reservation policy and its impat on tribal development.


Essential Readings :

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