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Sociology

Introduction

- Swedish economist
- Nobel Prize 1974
- Institutional approach to study social change and development
- Liberal approach

Works

- An American Dilemma: The Negro Problem in Modern Democracy, 1944
 - theory of cumulative causation
 - how poverty creates poverty
- The Political Element in the Development of Economic Theory , 1930
- Beyond the Welfare State: Economic Planning and Its International Implications, 1960
- The Asian Drama: *An Inquiry into the Poverty of Nations* , 1968
- To study people's desire for development
- Like attitude towards work
- Towards life
- Income
- Productivity, etc.
- All these are connected and determine the level of development in a society

Soft State

- India's development as Soft State in 1960s
- Newly independent states find difficulties in taking hard decisions to enforce the rule of law

Asian Drama

- He was a Malthusian
- Believed that population growth in Asia would stunt economic growth
- 21st century show that many Asian countries have experienced both population growth and high economic growth.
- Interdisciplinary approach
- Study of India's development
- India is burdened with social indiscipline, corruption and weak law enforcement.
- Quest for rationality is the basis of development in economic and social fields
- People want to modernize
- But on lines of West – 'modernization ideals'
- Interlinked changes in India – casually interrelated
- Circular causation
- Various conditions
- Interdependence (socio-pol-eco-cultural)

Q. 1. Match the items in the List – I with the List – II and choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

List – I

- a. Liberal
- b. Uneven development
- c. Centre periphery
- d. World system

List – II

- i. Wallerstein
- ii. Andre Gounder Frank
- iii. Samir Amin
- iv. Gunnar Myrdal

Codes:

(A) a-iv, b-iii, c-ii, d-i

(B) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv

(C) a-iv, b-ii, c-i, d-iii

(D) a-iii, b-ii, c-iv, d-i

Answer: (A)

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#Liberal Theories of Underdevelopment

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