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Instructions to the candidate:

- There are 2 Questions.
- All Questions are Compulsory.
- You should download the question-and-answer booklet, take its print-out, attempt the questions and then scan the same using various mobile apps like Cam Scanner, etc. on your mobile, Convert the file using these apps to PDF and upload.
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Comments for the purpose of evaluation of Answer Writing:

Relevance to the question	Attempt all questions.
Structure of Answer	When relevance of any theory is asked, try to write the counter view also
Content	
Presentation (Neatness, charts, diagrams as required)	Write appropriate subheadings and use underlining for better presentation

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Q2. Elucidate basic premises of Davis - structural functional theory of social stratification. How far is it relevant in understanding contemporary Indian Society.?

Kingsley Davis along with Moore proposed a structural functional theory for stratification. According to them stratification exists for 2 basic purposes i.e. effective role allocation and efficient performance.

As per the theory every society has certain positions which are functionally important for existence of the society.

But there are only few people who have the talent or ability to efficiently discharge these functions. The purpose of stratification hence is to match the functionally important positions with most able people.

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Also such positions have inherent demand for huge sacrifices and as a result higher reward is needed to motivate others to take up such positions.

Relevance in understanding Contemporary Indian Society.

Also what
how the
theory is
irrelevant
in explaining
status
on caste
gender
not merit

In India too we attach high degree of respect and entitlements with jobs such as doctors, military personals, civil servants etc. This is to give impetus to people to pursue for such demanding and functionally important roles.

However Melvin Tumin feels that its a flawed approach as often these stratification acts as barriers. Also there is no precise method to identify talent and functional importance.