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What is Contribution of Marwin Harris to the cultural materialism?

Marwin Harris in his book - "The Rise of Anthropological theories" (1960) - explained the cultural materialism as the "diverse cultural pattern

formed/developed as per the necessity for survival
Introduction is good and appropriate

Contribution of Marwin Harris:-

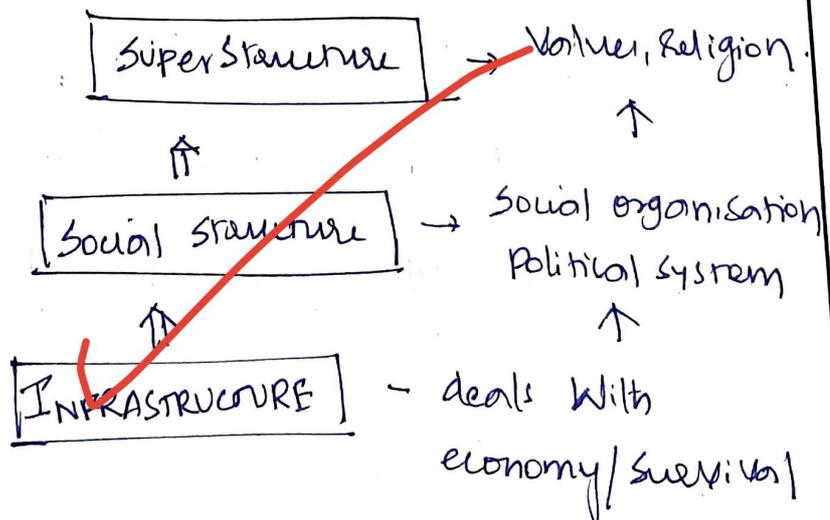
① He explained the relation between the materialism, social changes and value system.

② change in culture according to the change in the material aspect.

③ material aspect determine the Ideological aspect

④ Similar environment + similar technology → Similar Value system

Illustration:-



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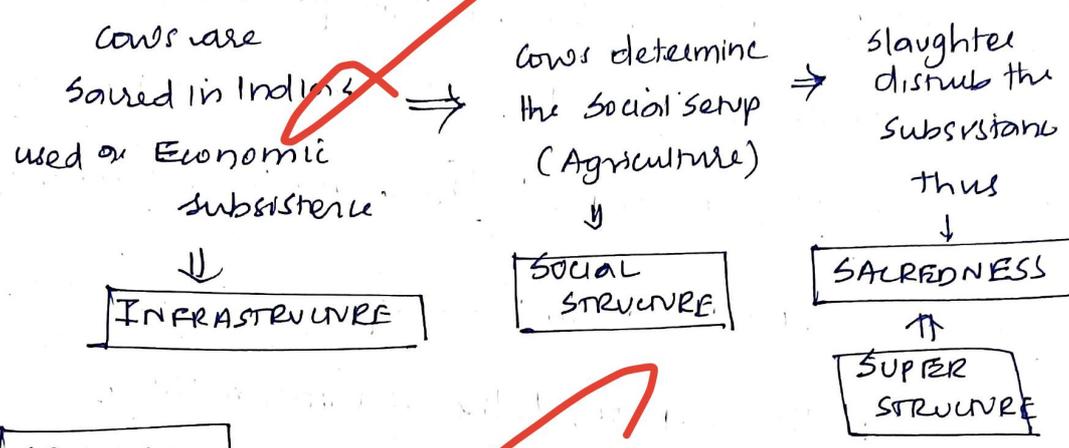
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Case Study of Harris

Sacred cow in India explained in his book

Cow, Pig, War, Witches



CRITICISM:

Marxist → termed cultural materialism

Presentation and structure is good and appropriate

Contextual awareness is good and appropriate

Well organised systematic structure followed

Structure the answer according to the demand of the questions properly and word limit assigned

Relevance: ① constraints of economy shape the -behaviours

[Ex] Aztec people follow cannibalism due to protein deficiency.

Thus, Marvin Harris - material aspect

added new dimension to the Anthropology discipline

also consonance with Julien Steward "Technology determinism"

You have conclude the answer properly
Maintain the same consistency

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Good attempt