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UNIT – 3

FAMILY ;-

- Family is a human society, family from Latin word "familia" is a group of people related either by recognized birth or affinity by marriage or other Relationship, The purpose of Families is to maintain the well being of its members and of Society.
- ❖ Family is a group of persons directly linked by kin connections .

 The adult members of which assume responsibility of caring for children , Diverse family from are found in different Societies .

 TYPES OF FAMILY :-
- On the basis of Dominance ;-
 - 1) Matriarchy Family,
 - 2) Patriarchy Family,
- ❖ On the basis of Structure ;-
 - 1) Nuclear Family,
 - 2) Joint Family,
- On the basis of Decent ;-
 - 1) Matrilineal Family,
 - 2) Patrilineal Family,
- On the basis of Kingship;-

- 1) Family of Orientation ,(Family of Birth)
- 2) Family of procreation (Family in which person is Married)
- Families Linked to Social spheres and Families Change ;-

- * Family, household, its structure and norms are closely linked to the rest of society.
- ❖ Example; Unintended consequences of the German unification , During the post — unification period in the 1930sGermany witnessed a rapid decline in Marriage because the new German sate withdrew all production and welfare schemes which were provided to the families prior to the Unification .

❖ HOW GENDRED IS THE FAMILY?

- The belief is that the male Child will support the p arents in the old age the Female child will Leave on Marriage Results in Families investing more in a Male child,.
- ❖ Despite the Biology fact that Female baby has better chances of survival than a Male baby the rate of infant mortality among Female children is higher in Competition to Male children in lower age group in India ..

MARRIAGE ;-

- Marriage is one of the universal Social institutions, It is established by the Human society to control and regulate the sex life of man.
- Marriage is a Socially approved way of establishing a family of procreation.
- Marriage is a socially acknowledged and approved sexual union between Two Adult individuals.

DIFFERENT FORMS OF MARRIAGE ;-

"The main forms of Marriage are; Polygyny, Polyandry, Monogamy and group marriage. each of these types may be analysed here.

Types Of Marriage ;-

Monogamy	Polygamy ;-	- <u>Polygamy</u> ;-	Polyandry ;-
<u>.:-</u>	(Marriage	(one Husband	(one wife
(restricts the	to more	with Two or	with Two or
individual to	than one	more wives)	"More
one spouse	mate at one		Husbands")
at a Time)	time)		



<u>Monogamy</u>; - in many societies individuals are permitted to marry again often on death og the first spouse or after Divorce. But they cannot have more than one spouse at one and the same time. Such Monogamous Marriage are Termed as serial Monogamy.

- **❖** Why Marriage is considered as Universal institution?
- ❖ Marriage helps in taking the Family name forward.
- Validity is given to procreation after Marriage, Rules of Marriage;

Endogamy ;- "Marriage within Culturally defined Group.

Exogamy ;- "Requires the individual to Marry outside of his/her own Group .

❖ POLYGYNY;- polygyny is a form of Marriage in which one man marriage more than one Woman at a given time. Polygyny is more popular than Polyandry but not as universal as Monogamy. it was in Practice in most of the ancient .Civilisation.

POLYANDRY ;-

polyandry is the marriage of one Woman with several man ,it

- is much less common than polygyny it is practised among the Tibetans .The Nair's of Kerala were polyandrous previously .
- ❖ No universal generalisations can be made with regards to the causes of polyandry .Still factors such as scarcity of woman . the desire to keep the property intact heavy bride price povrty and the sterility of men etc are favourable to polyandry through not always.
- Endogamy ;- endogamy is a rule of Marriage in which the life partners .are to be selected within the group , it is marriage within the group , and the group may be Caste , Class , Tribe , Race ,Village , Religious group etc .Thus we have Caste Endogamy ,class Endogamy , sub caste Endogamy , Race Endogamy ,Tribal Endogamy and such other forms .