



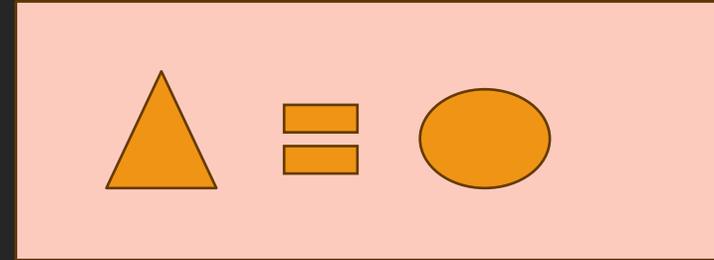
MARRIAGE



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What is marriage?



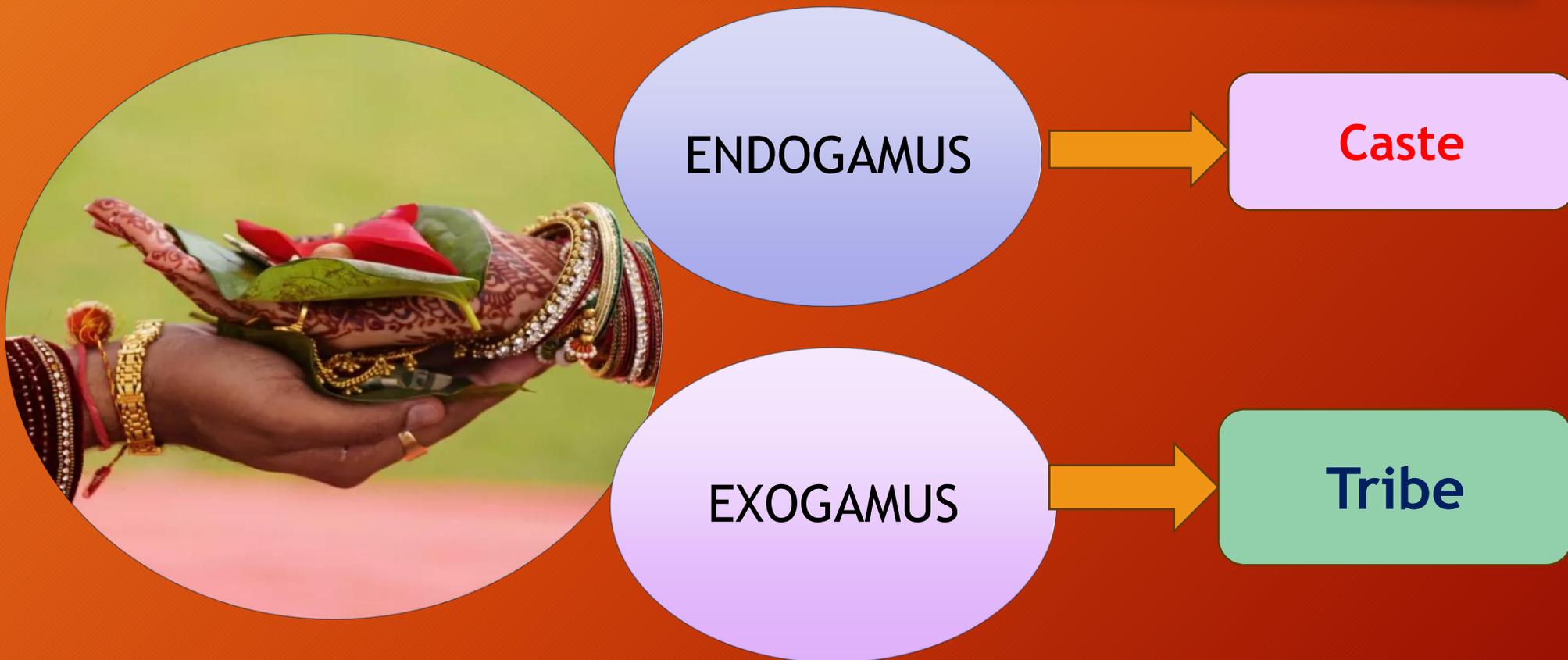
- ❑ Marriage is a union between a man and a woman.
- ❑ Thomas Hylland Eriksen says that marriage is essential for human survival. Women are important, because it is they who procreate children; Men do not. Similarly, women cannot procreate without alliance with men.
- ❑ T.N. Madan says Marriage ensures a biological satisfaction and a psychological satisfaction on the individual plane, and on the wider collective plane, it ensures a two fold survival, that of the group and its culture.



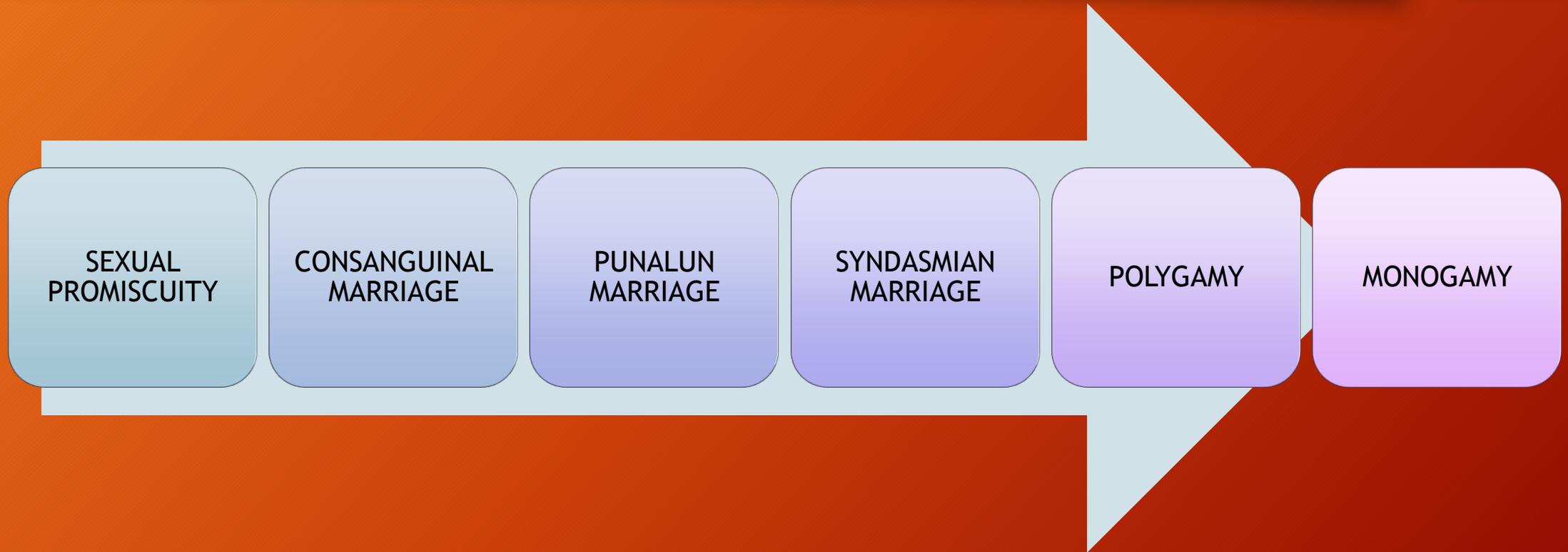
Marriage practices in different communities



FORMS OF MARRIAGE



EVOLUTION OF MARRIAGE



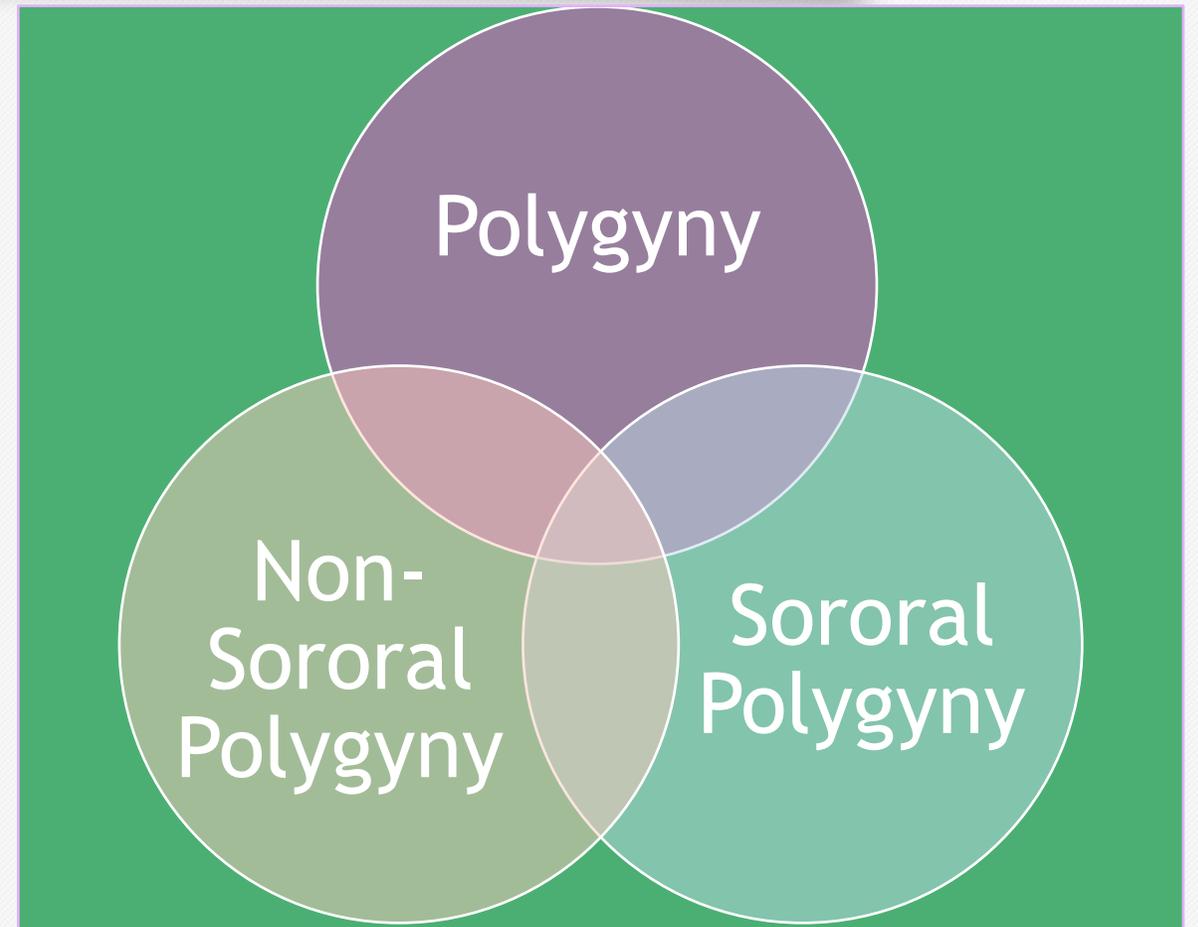
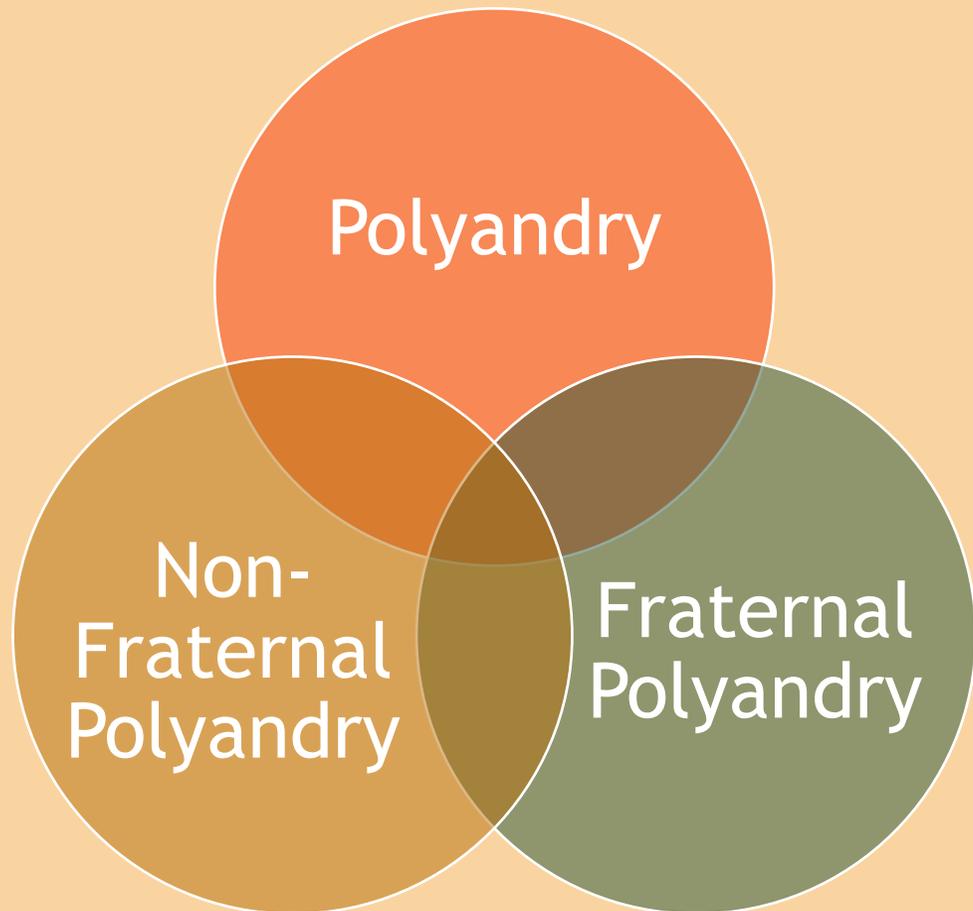
TYPES OF MARRIAGE

MONOGAMY

POLYGAMY

- Polyandry - Toda, Khasa, Tibetan, Mala etc.
- Polygyny- Muslim, Idu Mishmi, Nyshi etc.

POLYANDRY / POLYGyny



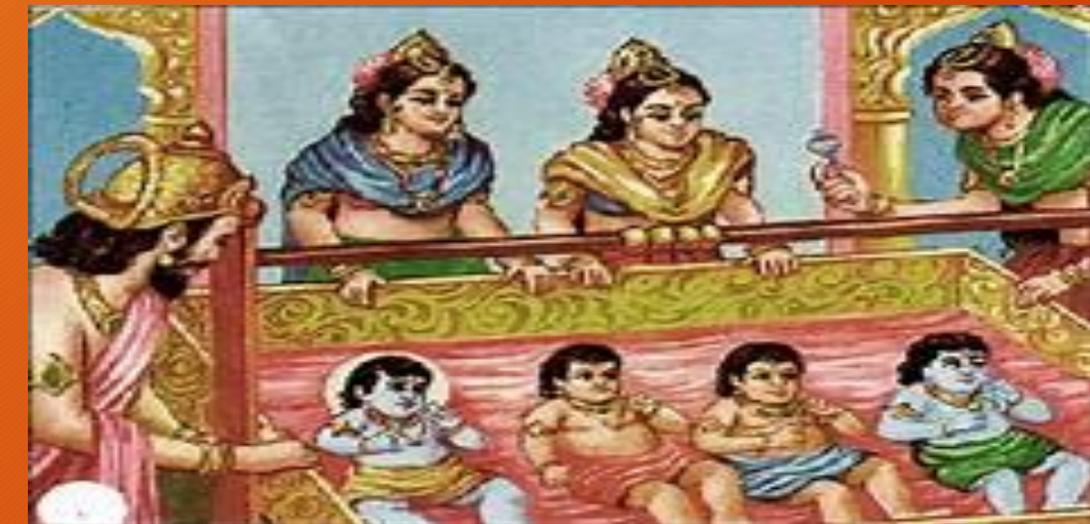
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marriage ?

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Five brothers (L-R) Sant Ram Verma, 28, Bajju Verma, 32, Gopal Verma, 26, Guddu Verma, 21, and Dinesh Verma, 19, with their shared wife Rajo Verma, 20, and their son Jay Verma.



IS MARRIAGE AN UNIVERSAL INSTITUTION ?



•Kathleen Gough (1959) in her study of the Nayars has defined –

Marriage as a 'relationship established between a woman and one or more other persons, which provides that a child born to the woman under circumstances not prohibited by the rules of the relationship, is accorded full birth-status rights common to normal members of his society or social stratum'.

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Marriage is a complex cultural phenomenon, in which the purely biological function of sex plays but a small role in comparison to functions as the care of children, the maintenance of a household and other culturally imposed needs of the

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family ■

Changing dimensions of Marriage

- Live in Relationship
- Homogamy (Same sex marriage) - Lesbian Marriage
- Gay Marriage
- Sologamy

Let's Think



SUGGESTED READINGS

International Authors

- Anthropology by Ember and Ember
- Social Anthropology by Evans Pritchard
- Marriage by Lucy Mair
- Social Anthropology by Edmund Leach
- Notes and queries on Anthropology

Indian Authors

- ❖ Anthropology: The Study of Man by Indrani Basu Roy
- ❖ Social Anthropology by A.R. N. Srivastava
- ❖ Cultural Anthropology by N.K. Bose
- ❖ Marriage and Family in India by K.M. Kapadia
- ❖ Polyandry in the Himalayas by Y.S. Parmar

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