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RELEVANCE OF ANTHROPOLOGY IN CONTEMPORARY WORLD



Anthropology is understood as a study of the so-called non-western, simple, 'primitive' and non-conspicuous societies of the world. Though the branches of urban and industrial anthropology are progressing fast, anthropologists' image as experts on 'primitive' societies continues. The development of science and technology, has led to greater power over environment and opportunities to enhance human capacity, though with a class character. The rise of totalitarian ideologies also defied many assumptions about future. Weapons of mass destruction and detrimental ecological changes threaten survival of Humans and other species. This has generated a renewed interest in simple societies with a shift from mere documentation lest they disappear to understand lessons they have to teach us. The relevance of anthropology lies, where most disciplines are turning to ethnographic writings for insights about human beings and environment.