

UHV-I

Session 13

Natural Environment

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So far **we have explored** -

As individual human beings, we want to live with happiness and prosperity in continuity. Collectively, we want to live in a humane society.

Now, **we will explore** -

If there is a provision in nature for living in harmony

- **Is nature by way of harmony?**

or

- **Is nature by way of struggle, survival of the fittest etc.?**

Nature

Nature = Collection of Units

Air

Water

Trees

Soil

Animal body

Birds

Animals

Human body

Self(I)

Human Beings

Earth

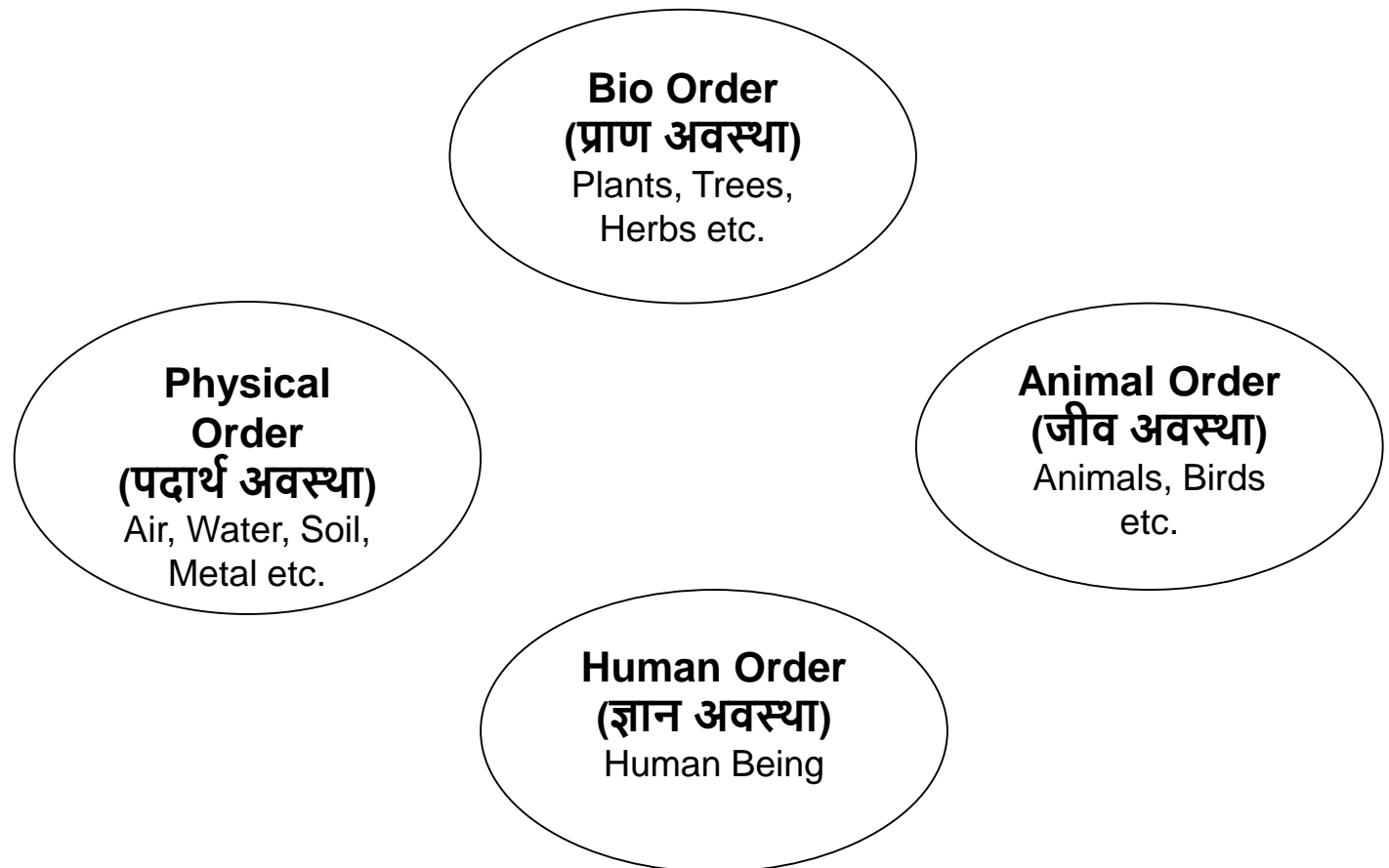
Sun

Moon

Metals

Nature = Collection of Units = Four Orders

All units can be classified into 4 orders

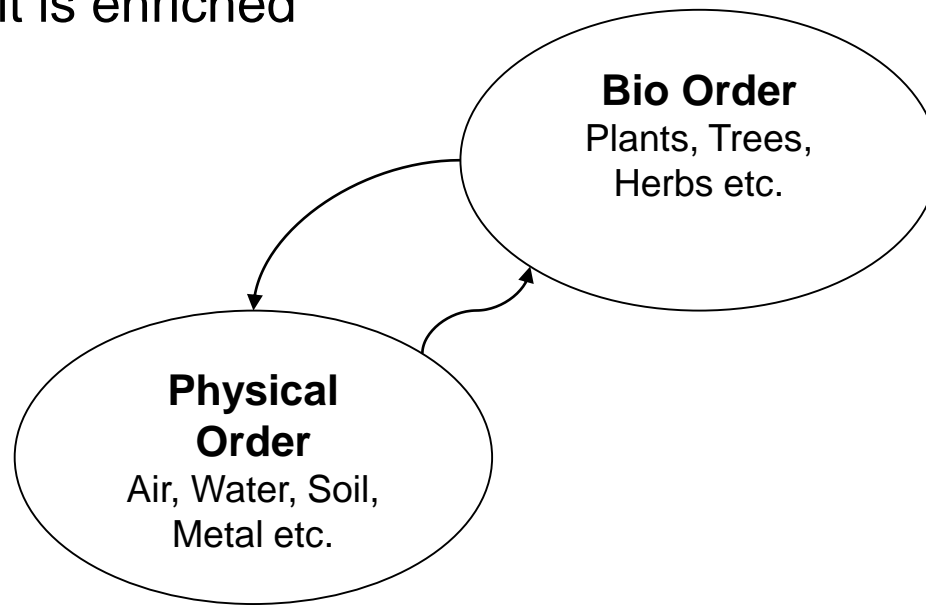


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Between Physical Order and Bio Order

Mutual fulfillment

1. Cyclic, interconnected, interdependent
2. Every unit is enriched



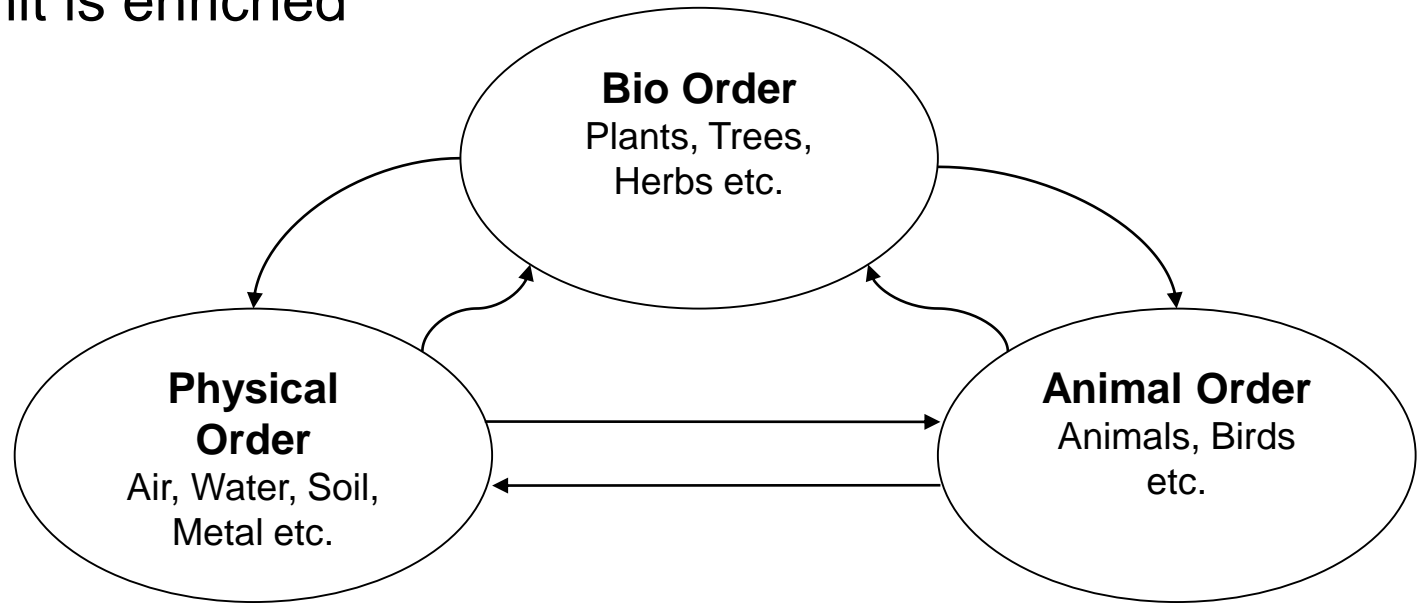
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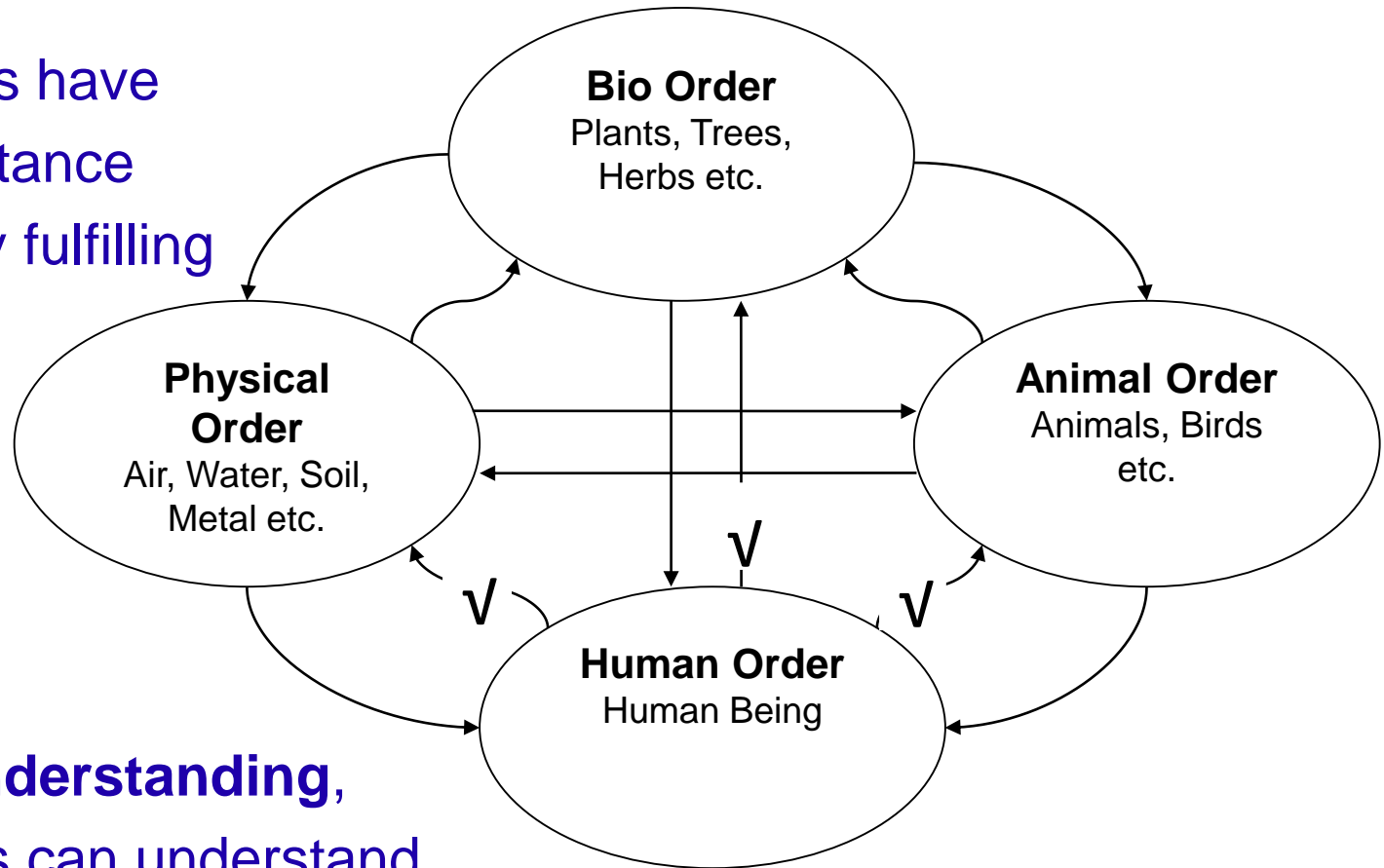


And there is abundance of Physical order and Bio order for Animal order to thrive

Relationship of Mutual Fulfillment

Physical Order, Bio Order and Animal Order are fulfilling for Human Order, but Human Order (**without right understanding**) is not fulfilling for any of the 4 orders

Human beings have natural acceptance to be mutually fulfilling



With right understanding, human beings can understand the mutual fulfilment and be fulfilling for all 4 orders...

Interdependence and Abundance in Nature

Nature is organised in such a manner that the physical facility required for any order is available in abundance

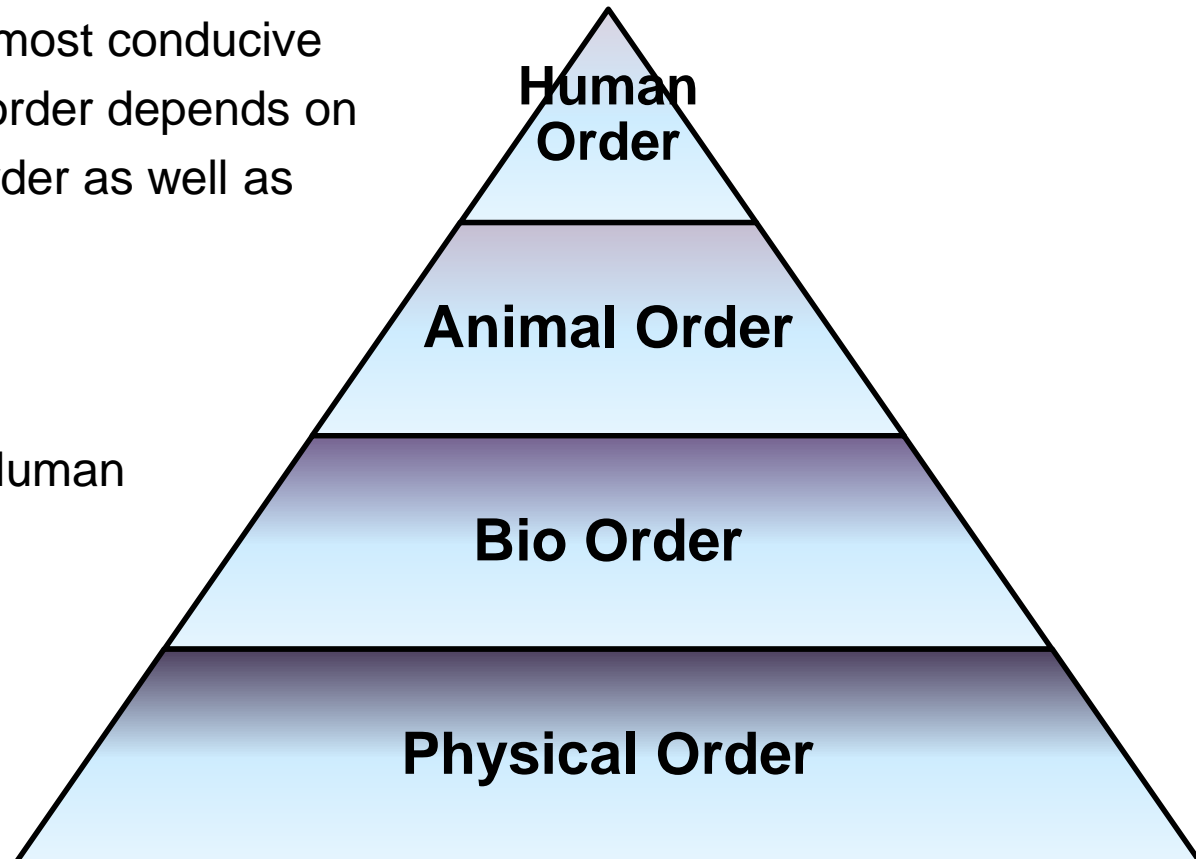
Dependence of any order is on all previous orders

e.g. Bio order is dependent on physical order

e.g. Human order needs the most conducive environment. Human order depends on animal order, pranic order as well as physical order

Quantity of units

Physical >> Bio >> Animal >> Human



Have we Understood Nature?

What do problems like global warming and climate change indicate?



Harmony in Nature

- | | | |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1. Physical order | – air, water, soil, metals etc. | } Nature = Collection of Units
= 4 Orders |
| 2. Bio order | – trees, plants, herbs etc. | |
| 3. Animal order | – animals, birds etc. | |
| 4. Human order | – human beings | |

There is a relationship of mutual fulfilment (harmony) amongst these 4 orders.

The first 3 orders are mutually fulfilling for each other. They are fulfilling for human being also. It is naturally acceptable to human beings to be fulfilling for all the orders

The role of human being is to realize this mutual fulfilment – For this, all that human beings need to do is:

- 1. To understand that mutual fulfilment (harmony) is inherent in nature – we do not have to create it**
- 2. To live accordingly – then the mutual fulfilment amongst the 4 orders will be realised**

and there is provision in nature for living with mutual fulfilment (harmony)

Home Assignment

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13.1. Global warming and resource depletion are two problems of the current time. Are these natural occurrences or are they due to lack of right understanding of nature?

13.2. Do we, human beings, have a role to play in nature?

- To further develop the harmony in nature (at least not to disturb the harmony in nature)
- To make right utilisation of the physical facility (after all it comes from the rest of nature)
- To evolve a way of living in harmony with nature

13.3. What are some of the activities you can do in contributing to the harmony in nature?

Video Discussion

An Inconvenient Truth

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Watch the video An Inconvenient Truth

It is a 2006 documentary about global climate change presented by Former US Vice President Al Gore. He raises the question

“What were you doing when you had the time to do something?”

Source: <http://an-inconvenient-truth.com/>

Observe:

1. State of the Planet
2. Root Cause of the Problems

Population, old habits, our way of thinking? Or
Inhuman conduct on the part of human being?
(exploitation of nature, domination... are only the
symptoms)

What is a holistic solution?

Current Approach

Problem – Population, old habits,
Our way of thinking
(or only symptom?)

Action taken to get rid of it –
Technology
(or symptomatic relief – Temporary?)

Holistic Solution

1. Clarity of All Encompassing Solution
2. Effort for All Encompassing Solution
**Human Education,
Human Conduct,
Human Constitution,
Human Order**
3. Root Cause –
Inhuman Conduct
(exploitation of nature,
domination... are only the
symptoms)
4. Effort for getting rid of problem
– **Ensure Human Conduct
through Human Education**