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Session 13

Natural Environment

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?**

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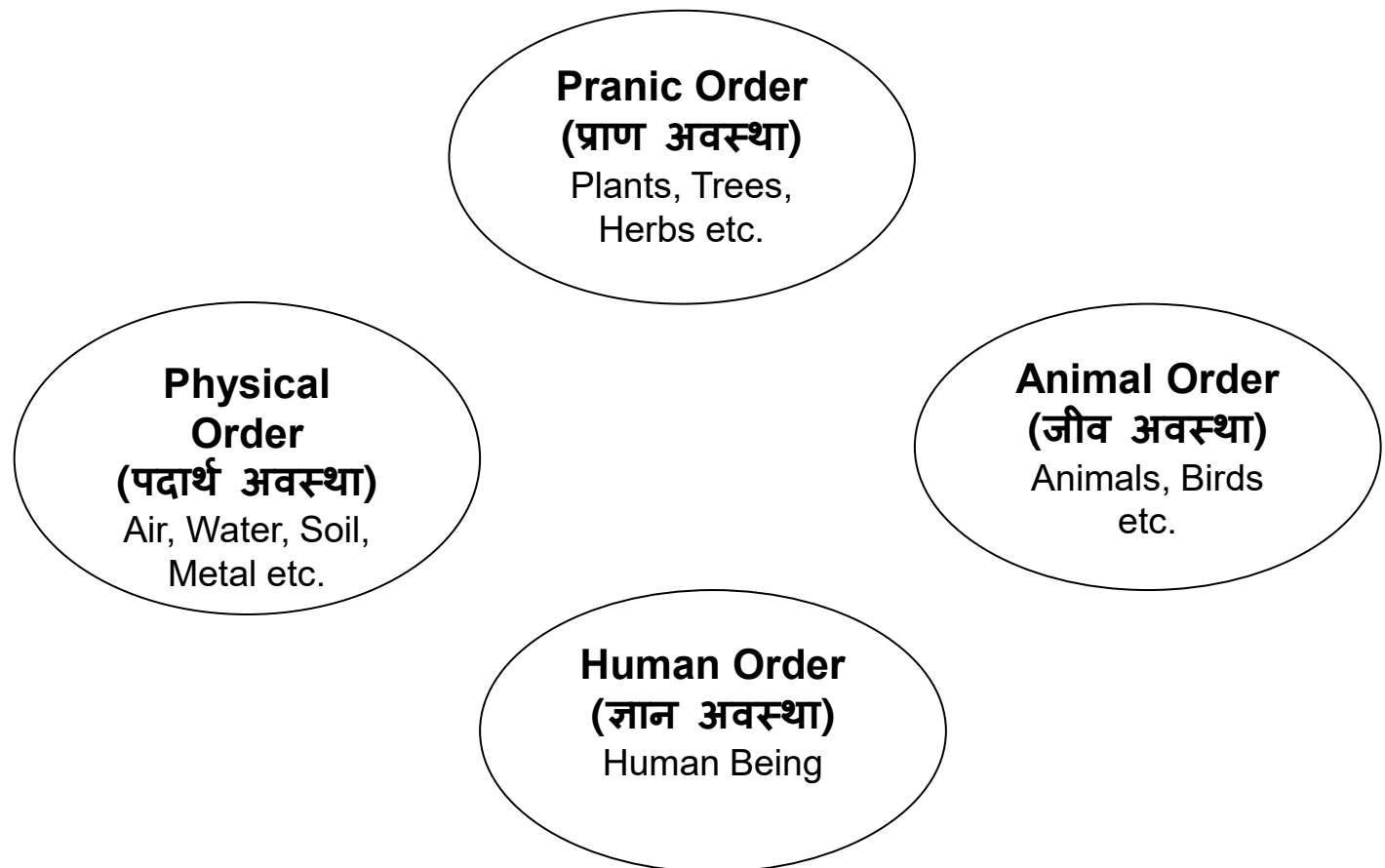- **Is nature by way of struggle, survival of the fittest etc.?**

Nature

Nature = Collection of Units

Air

Water   Trees

Soil

Animal body

Birds   Animals   Human body

Self(I)

Human Beings

Earth   Sun

Moon   Metals

All units can be classified into 4 orders

Pranic Order
(प्राण अवस्था)
Plants, Trees,
Herbs etc.

Physical Order
(पदार्थ अवस्था)
Air, Water, Soil,
Metal etc.

Animal Order
(जीव अवस्था)
Animals, Birds
etc.

Human Order
(ज्ञान अवस्था)
Human Being

Between Physical Order and Pranic Order

Mutual fulfillment

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

Pranic Order
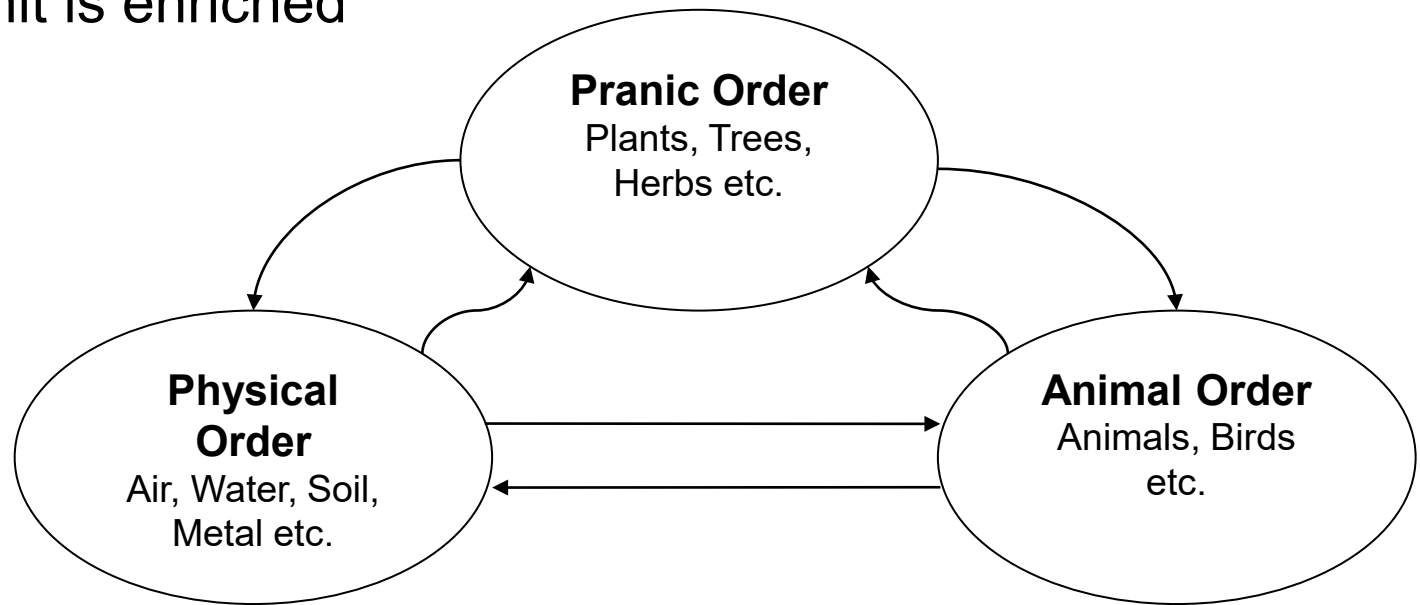Plants, Trees,
Herbs etc.

**Physical
Order**
Air, Water, Soil,
Metal etc.
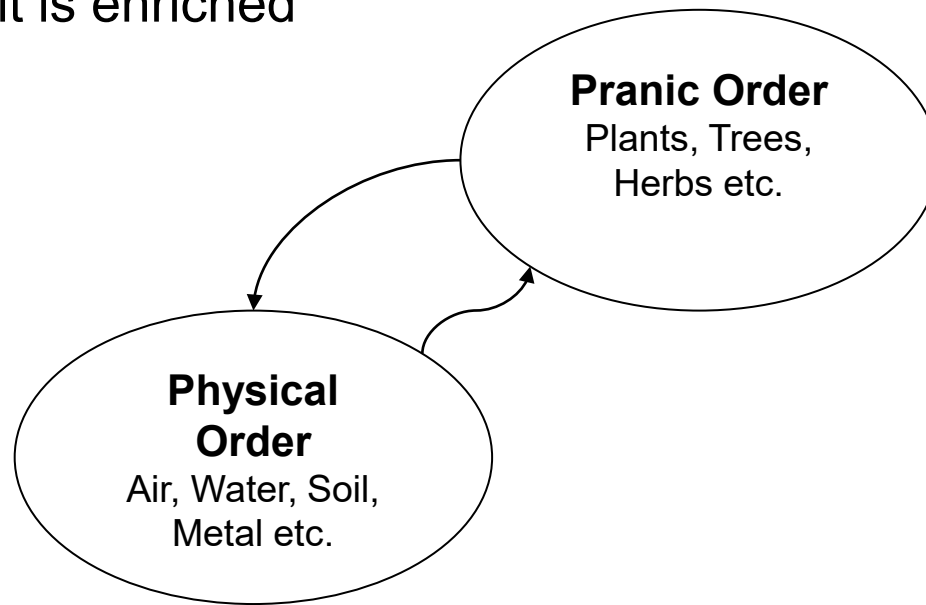
And there is abundance of Physical order for the Pranic order to thrive

Between Physical Order, Pranic Order and Animal Order

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Physical Order
Air, Water, Soil, Metal etc.

Animal Order
Animals, Birds etc.

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

Physical Order, Pranic 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
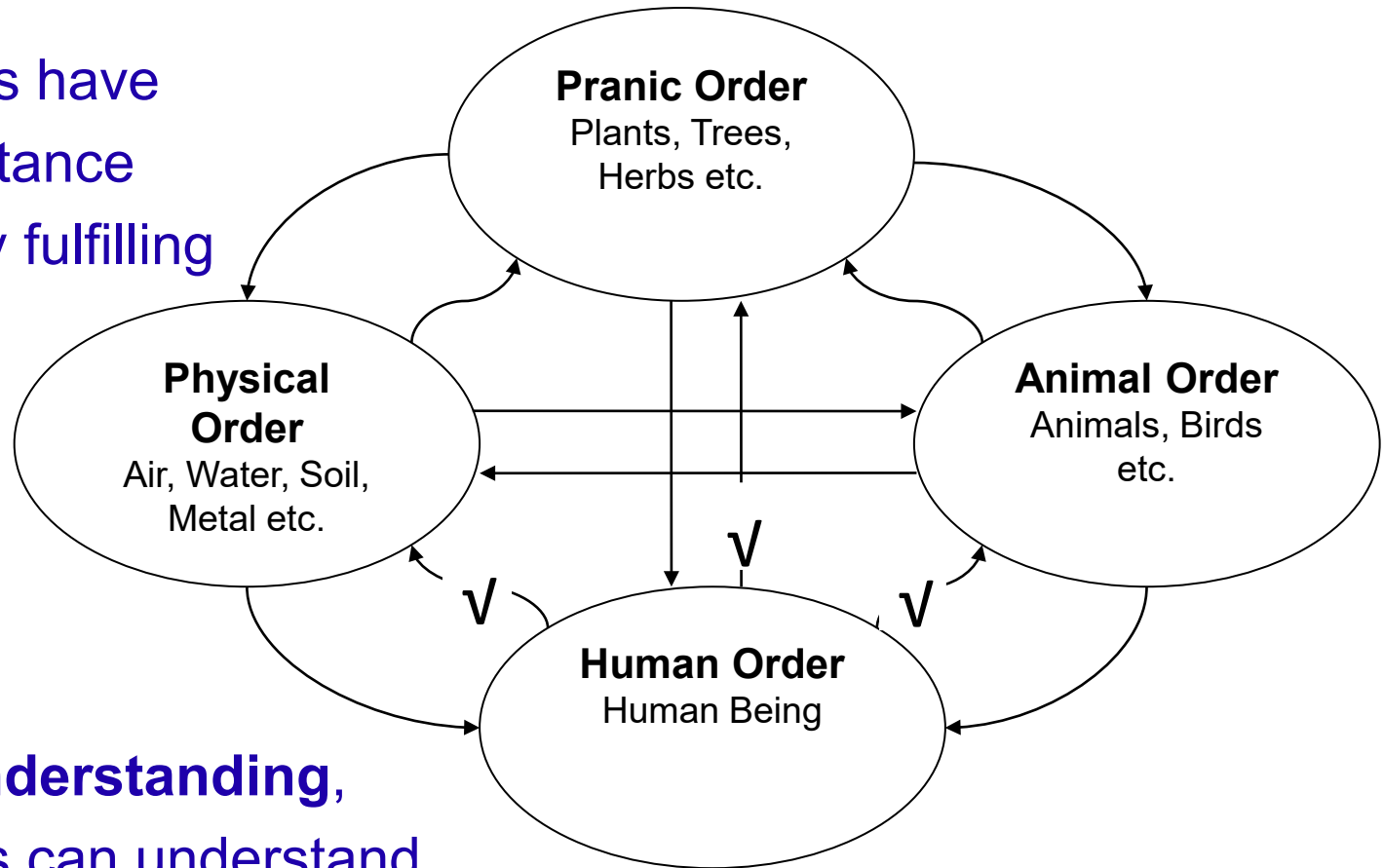
With right understanding,

human beings can understand

the mutual fulfilment and be fulfilling for all 4 orders...

Nature is organised in such a manner that the physical facility required for any order is available in abundance
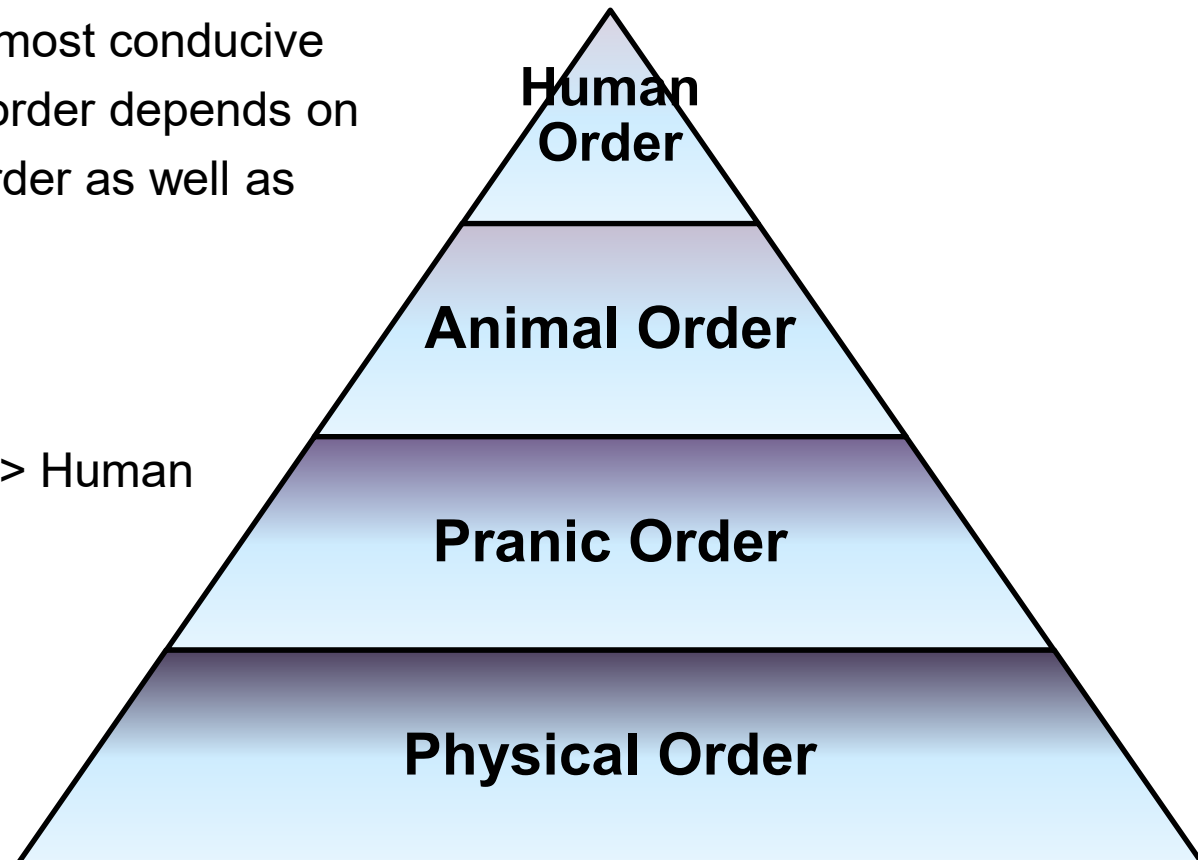
Dependence of any order is on all previous orders

e.g. Pranic 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 >> Pranic >> Animal >> Human

Human Order

Animal Order

Pranic Order

Physical Order

What do problems like global warming and climate change indicate?

1. Physical order   – air, water, soil, metals etc.
2. Pranic order   – trees, plants, herbs etc.
3. Animal order   – animals, birds etc.
4. Human order   – human beings

Nature = Collection of Units = 4 Orders

Relationship of mutual fulfilment (harmony)

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

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

An Inconvenient Truth

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	Holistic Solution
	1. Clarity of All Encompassing Solution
	2. Effort for All Encompassing Solution
	Human Education,
	Human Conduct,
	Human Constitution,
	Human Order
Problem – Population, old habits, Our way of thinking (or only symptom?)	3. Root Cause – **Inhuman Conduct** (exploitation of nature, domination… are only the symptoms)
Action taken to get rid of it – Technology (or symptomatic relief – Temporary?)	4. Effort for getting rid of problem – **Ensure Human Conduct through Human Education**