



UHV-I

Session 13

Understanding our Role in Nature

Contributing towards harmony in nature

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Interaction Before Main Session

Hear from participants about their exploration from previous day(s)

Q&A

Place some expected conclusions, find out if they also came to these/similar conclusions

Home Assignment

12.1. Look at your aspirations and map them to the human goal. What do you conclude from this?

12.2. Evaluate yourself on the 6 common graduate attributes.

You can do this exercise at every birthday and write down your progress year after year

12.3. Check your list of concerns. What is the root cause? Make a list of 5 things you can do to address the root cause

12.4. During your time in this institution (as a student), list 5 things you can contribute to complement your institution in realising the human goal



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Introduction

So far we have explored our Natural Acceptance

It is for living in Harmony – as an Individual, as a Family, as a Society...

Is there provision in Nature/Existence for living in accordance with our Natural Acceptance?

Is it possible to live in harmony as an Individual, as a Family, as a Society...?

Is co-existence, mutual fulfillment inherent in Nature?

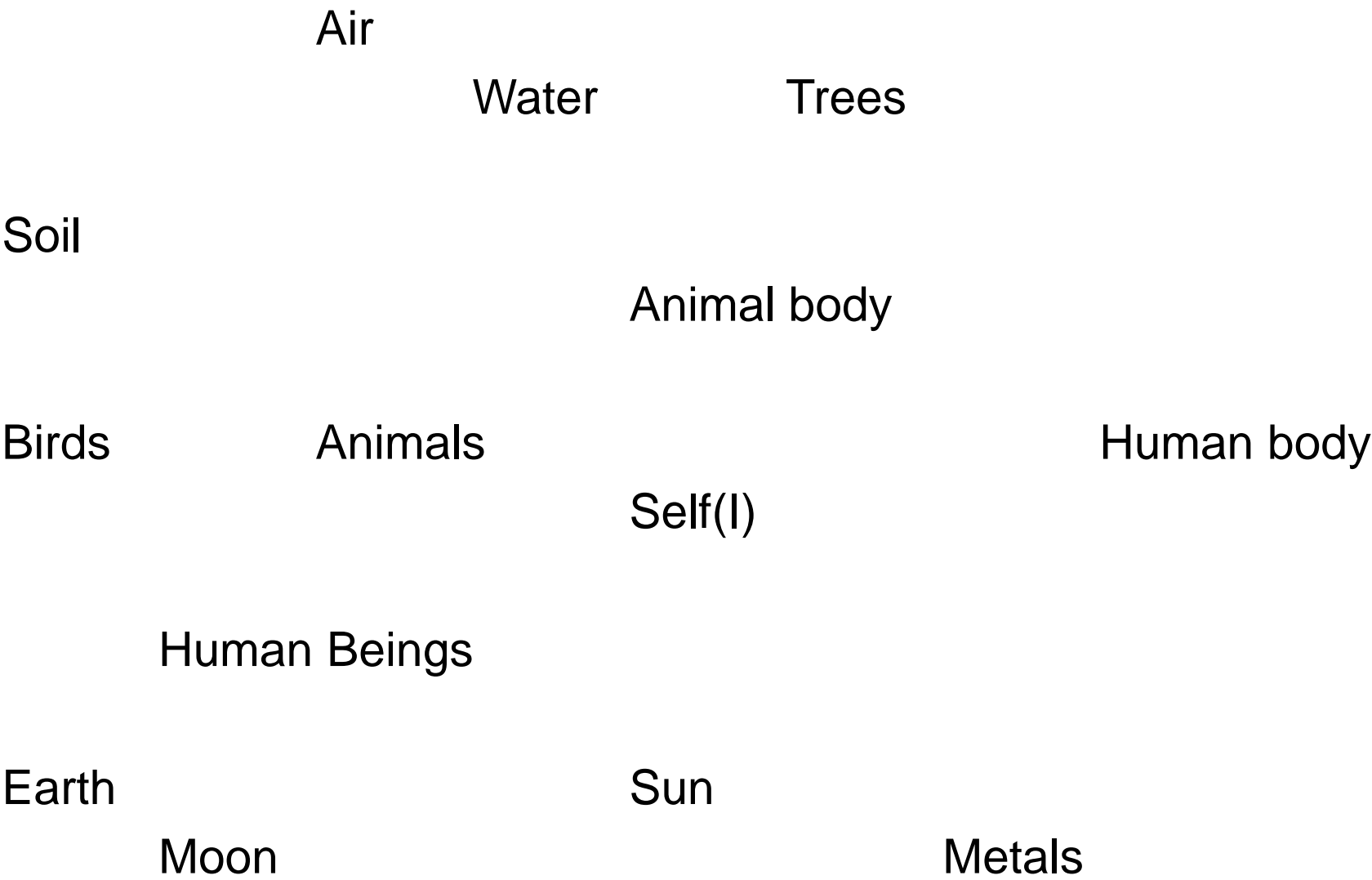
Or

Is the design of nature/existence by way of opposition, struggle, survival of the fittest...?

We will explore the underlying design of Nature/Existence with these questions...

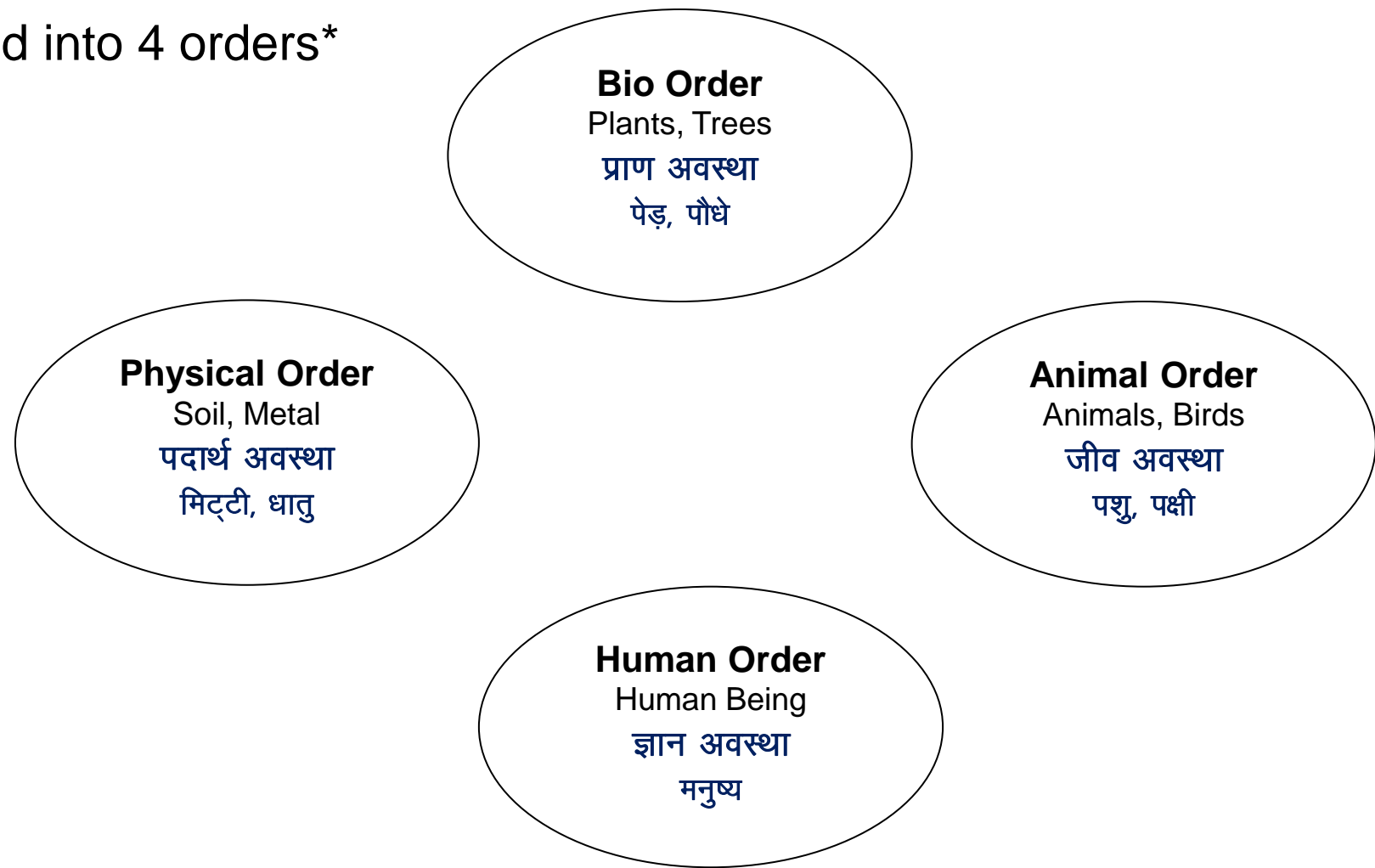


Nature = Collection of Units



Nature = Collection of Units = 4 Orders

All units can be categorised into 4 orders*



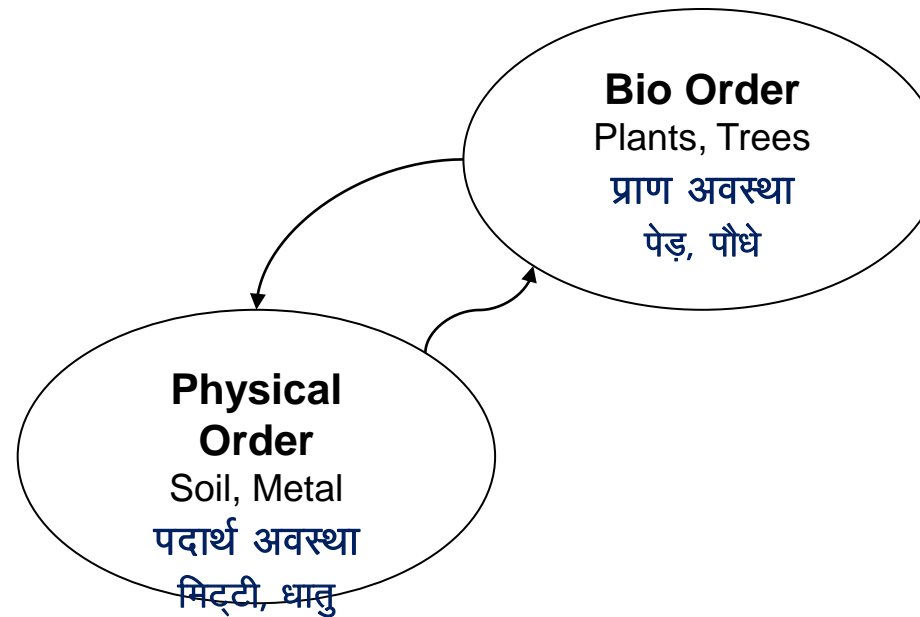
* This is one way of categorizing nature (not the only way). It has been classified this way so that it can be helpful in understanding the role of human being vis-à-vis the rest of nature

Relationship of Mutual Fulfillment परस्पर पूरकता का संबंध

Between Physical Order and Bio Order Interconnected, Interdependent

Mutual Fulfillment

1. Cyclic
2. Every unit is enriched



Mutual Fulfillment = Relatedness + Fulfillment

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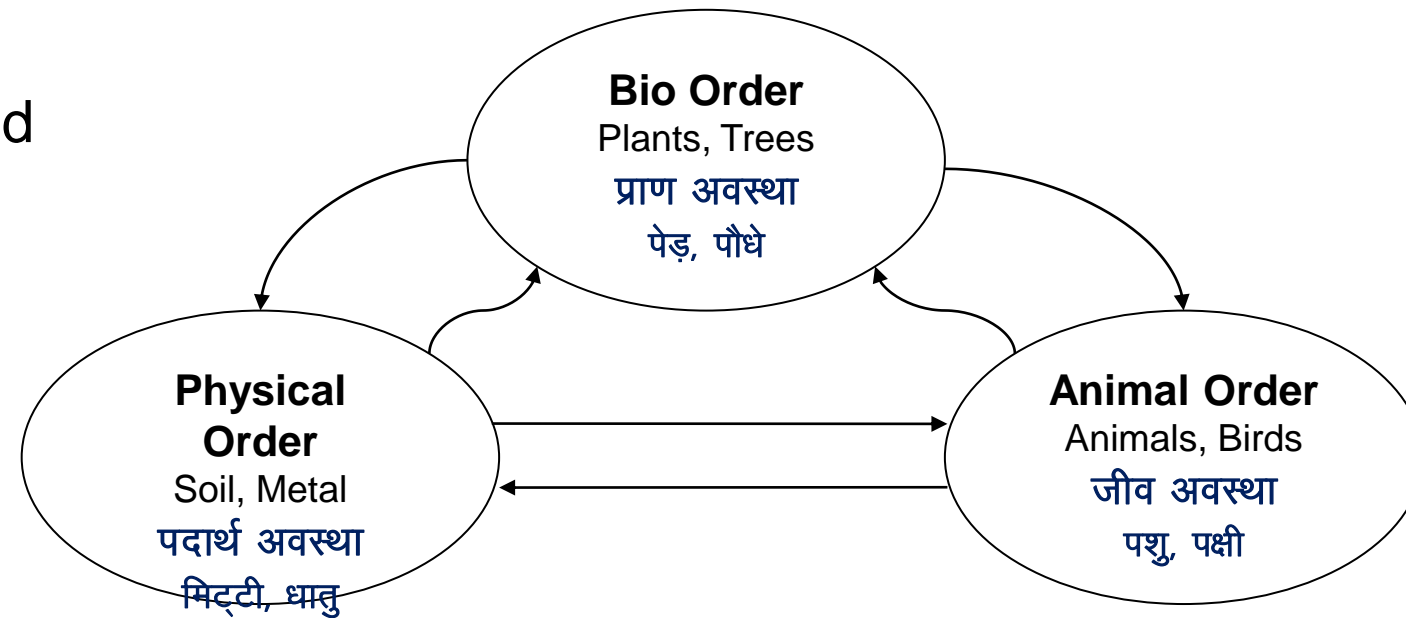
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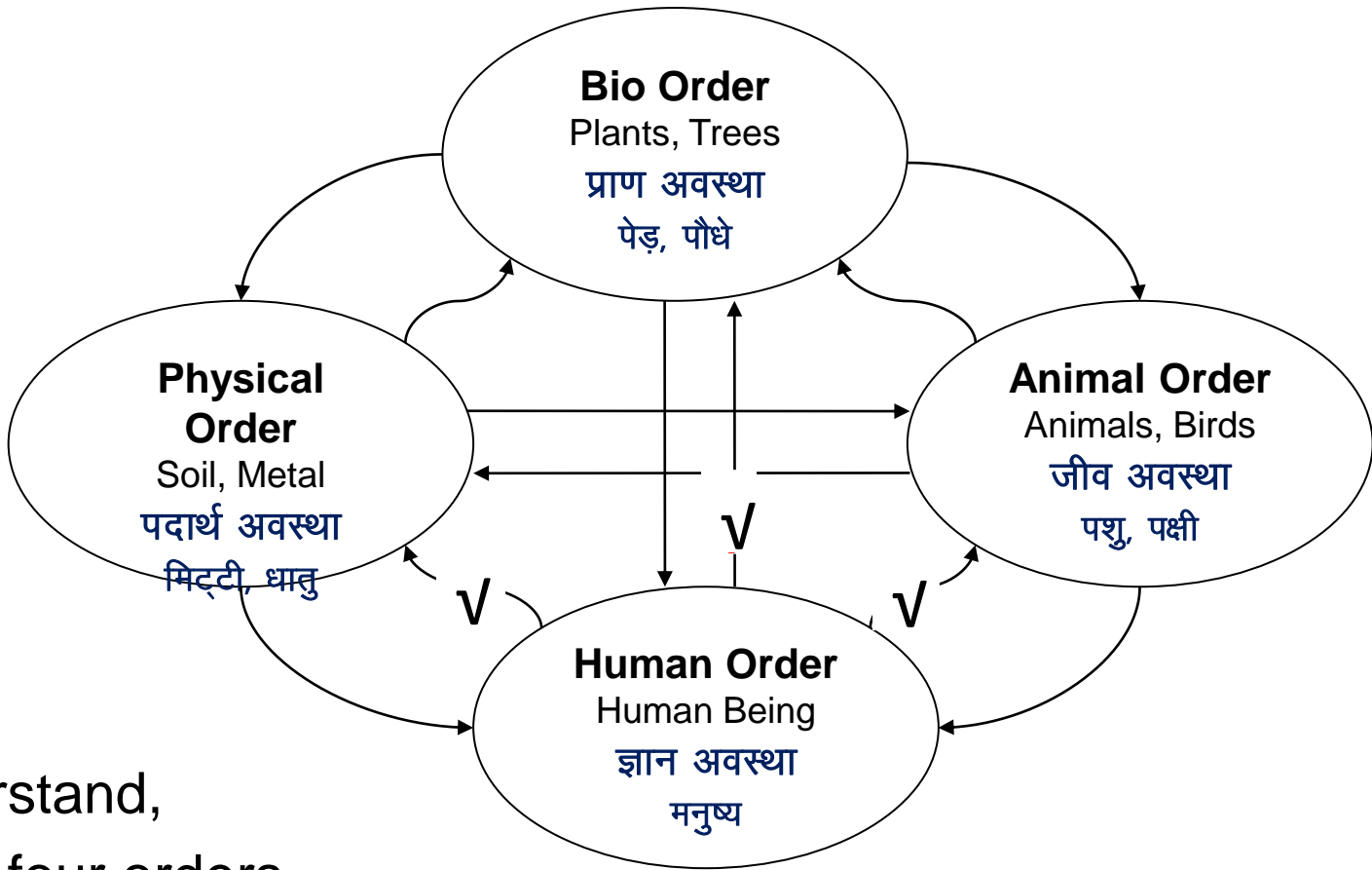
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Relationship of Mutual Fulfillment परस्पर पूरकता का संबंध

Physical Order, Bio Order and Animal Order are enriching 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



Once human beings understand,
they can be fulfilling for all four orders

Present-day Problems are largely due to Lack of Understanding

Resource Depletion – The resource is used at a rate which is faster than the rate at which it is produced in nature

संसाधन अभाव – उत्पादन में प्रयुक्त संसाधन की गति, उसके प्रकृति में पैदा होने की गति से ज्यादा है

Pollution – The product is such that

1. It does not return to the cycle in nature or
2. It is produced at a rate that is faster than the rate at which it can return to the cycle in nature

प्रदूषण – उत्पादन ऐसा है कि

1. उत्पादित वस्तु चक्र में वापस नहीं आती या
2. उत्पादन की गति प्राकृतिक चक्र में वापस जाने की गति से ज्यादा है

Quantity of units in each order

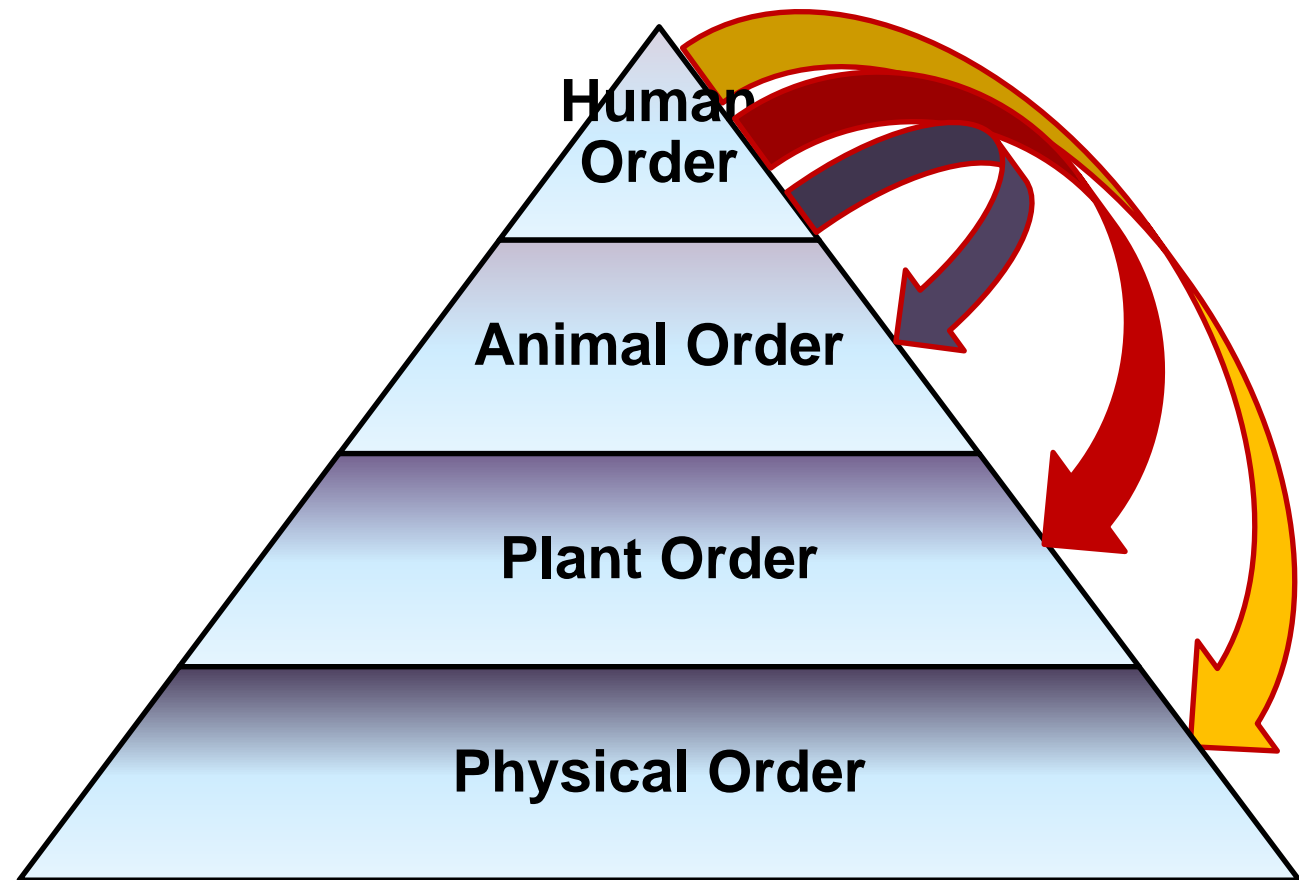
Physical >> Plant >> Animal >> Human

Quantity as per overall enrichment of the whole; and availability of sustaining resources

Dependence of each order is on all previous orders

The Human Order is dependent on all the three orders

Role of human being is to ensure the enrichment, protection and right utilisation of the rest of nature



All orders have definite conduct – except human order without right understanding

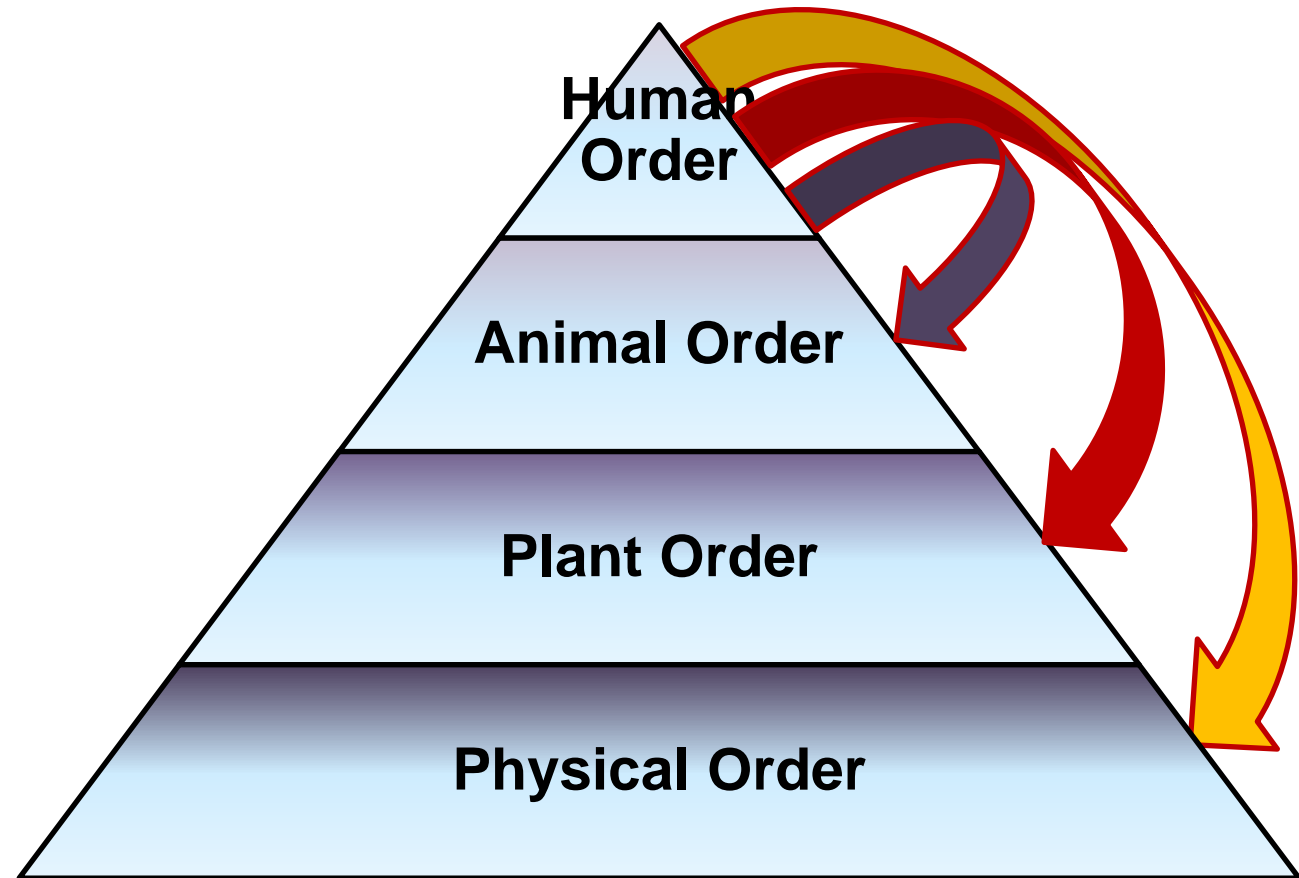
In human being, the Body has a definite conduct

The Self (I) operating on assuming without knowing is the source of indefiniteness, problem

The solution is to ensure knowing
(understanding harmony)

Human beings inherently have a
natural acceptance to know,
to be in harmony

For this,
human education-sanskar
Is essential



Sum Up

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| 1. Physical order | – soil, metals etc. | } Nature = Collection of Units
= 4 Orders | |
| 2. Bio order | – trees, plants etc. | | |
| 3. Animal order | – animals, birds etc. | | } Relationship of mutual
fulfilment (harmony) |
| 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
 - i.e., to ensure the enrichment, protection and right utilisation of the rest of nature

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

In UHV-II, we will discuss the whole existence. And our role in this existence – in more detail



Home Assignment

13.1. Detail out 3 activities or projects that you can do to contribute to the harmony in nature? (during the time in the institute, implement at least one of them. It could well be your final year project)

We can see that global warming and resource depletion are two major problems of the current time. Find out

- Are these natural occurrences or are they due to lack of right understanding in human being?
- 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



Questions?