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Along with the new revelations of science and psychology there have also occurred distortions of what is being discovered. -Most of the scientists and

psychologists have accepted Darwin's theory of evolution and his observations on "survival of the fittest" as a final word. While enunciating his postulate on the concept of the fittest, Darwin primarily projected physical force as the main criterion, and remained unmindful of the culture of mind. The psychologist, on the other hand, in his exclusive involvement with the psyche, has overlooked the potential of man's physical-self and the world outside him. No synthesis has been attempted between the two with the obvious result of the one being sacrificed at the altar of the other. This has given birth to a civilisation which is wholly based on economic considerations, transforming man into a mere "economic being" and limiting his pleasures and sorrows to sensuous cravings. With the force of his craft and guns, this man of the modern world gave birth to two cannibalistic philosophies, the cunning capitalism and the callous communism. They joined hands to block the evolution of man as a cultural entity, denuding him of the feelings of love, sympathy, and humanness. Technologically, man is immensely powerful; culturally, he is the creature 'of stoneage, as lustful as ever, and equally ignorant of his destiny. The two world wars and the resultant attitudes display harrowing distortion of the purposes of life and power. In this agonizing situation the Scientist is harnessing forces of nature, placing them at the feet of his country's leaders, to be used against people in other parts of the world. This state of his servility makes the functions of the scientist appear merely to push humanity to a state of perpetual fear, and lead man to the inevitable destruction as a species with his own inventions and achievements. This irrational situation raises many questions. They concern the role of a scientist, the function of religion, the conduct of politician who is directing the course of history, and the future role of man as a species. There is an obvious mutilation of the purpose of creation, and the relationship between Cosmos, Life, and Man is hidden from eyes; they have not been viewed collectively. ,

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Human evolution as an economic being.

Scientists and psychologists have accepted Darwin theory of evolution as authoritative. Darwin theory mainly focus on physical factors in the survival of fittest while psychologists focus on mental factors. And there is no theory which combines the both. This has resulted in the formation of civilization that has lead to conversion of man into economic being. Modern man gave rise to two philosophies, capitalism and communism. These philosophies has blocked the evolution of man and has made him feeling less. Scientists are now making discoveries which are used by one country against other leading to destruction. This has raised questions about the role of people guiding history and role of man in future as species. The relationship b/w universe, life and man has not been studied collectively.

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