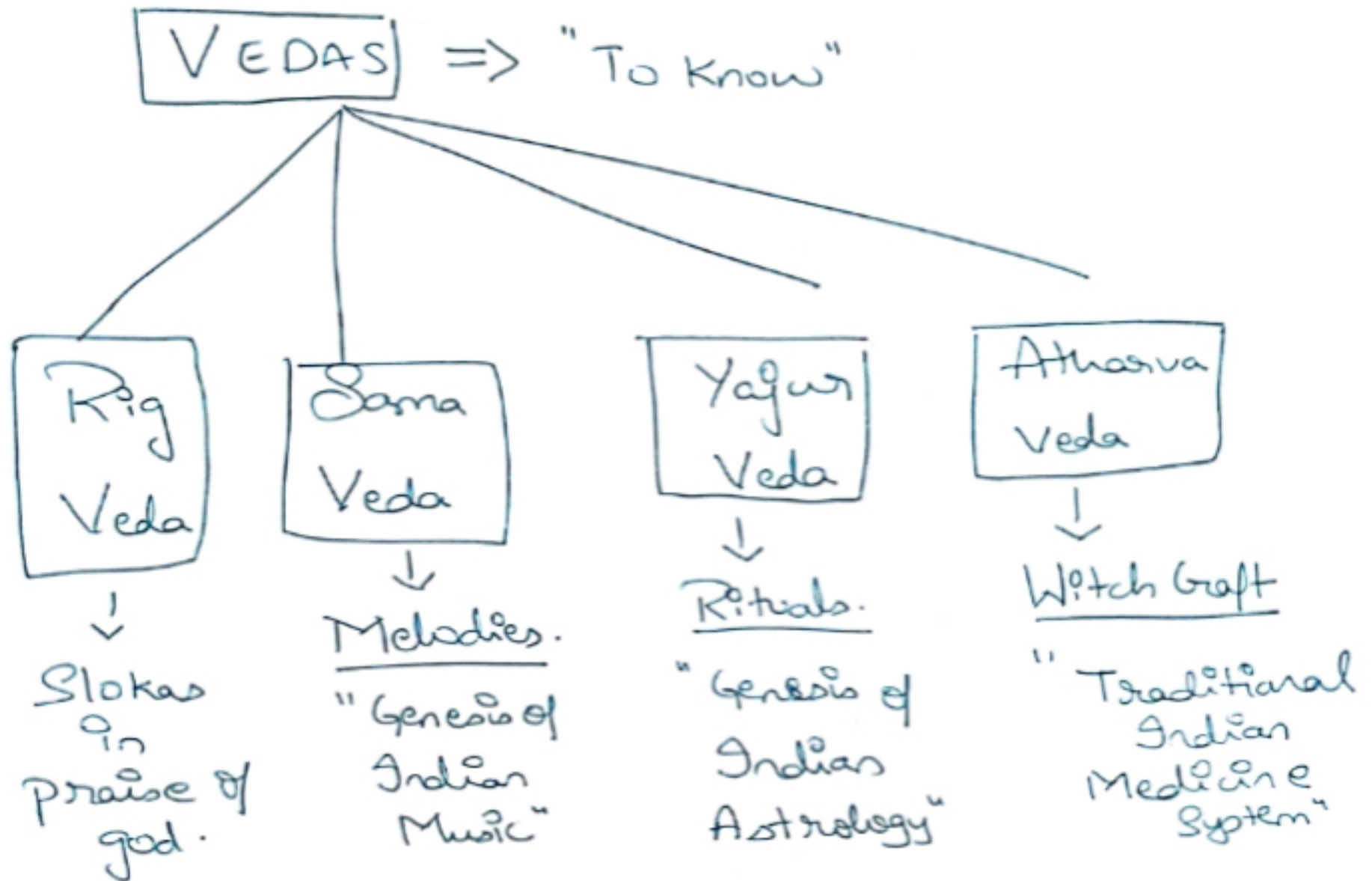


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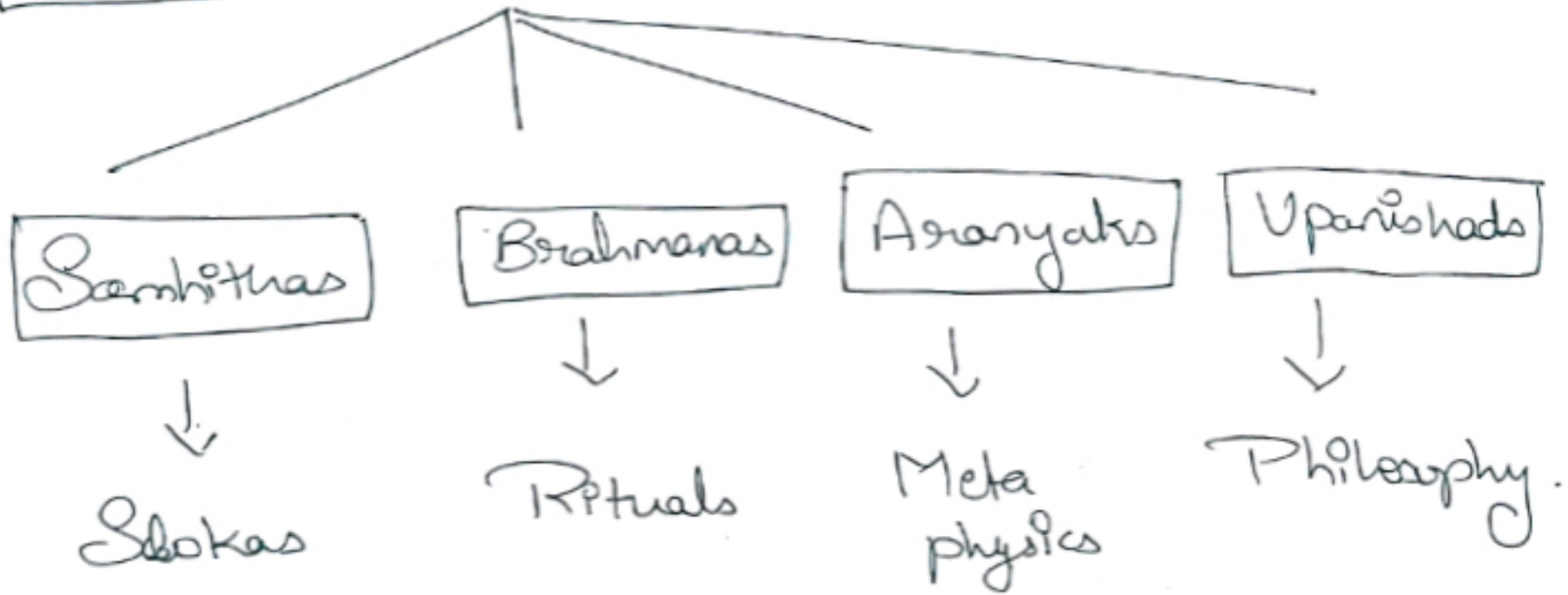
# VEDIC LITERATURE.



## Important points about Rig Veda.

- most ancient book of the world.
- Originally, it had  $\text{II} - \text{IX}$  mandals.
- Later addition of  $\text{I}$  &  $\text{X}$  mandals.
- $\text{III}$  mandal contains "Gayatri Mantra"  
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addressed to Solar deity.
- $\text{X}$  mandal has the first reference to Chatur varna System.

# Parts of Vedas



Note - सत्यमेव जयते - Mundaka Upanishad  
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 Atharva Veda.

## Upavedas

— for livelihood purposes.

- 1) Ayurveda — Medicine
- 2) Gandharva Veda — Music & dance
- 3) Dhanurveda — Rituals
- 4) Shilpaveda — Architecture.

# VEDANGAS

— for proper understanding of Vedas.

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|-------------|---|------------|---|
| 1) Chand    | — | Prosody    |   |
| 2) Jyotish  | — | Astrology  |   |
| 3) Vyakran  | — | Grammar    | [ Shukla Sutras<br>Grahasta Sutras<br>Dharma Sutras |
| 4) Niruktha | — | Etymology  |   |
| 5) Kalpa    | — | Rituals    |   |
| 6) Siksha   | — | Phonetics. |   |

Dharma Sutras

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Commentary works were written on it

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Smritis.

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Manu Smriti

- controversial remarks

denied education for  
Shudra Varnas

denied freedom  
of women.