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Thesis Structure and Presentation Model :

Forrester (1971) has aptly remarked that each of us uses models constantly. According to him, a mental image is a model. All our actions are based on the models we have perceived in our mental makeup.

An ecologist dealing with the ecosystem is not only trying to obtain the qualitative or quantitative model of his ecosystem but also has to perceive along with his ecosystem investigations, the model of presentation of his research data. Such a model was constantly perceived by the author during the study period and the thesis is structured on the basis of the final mental image which emerged after series of evolutionary images perceived by the author over the study period (1972/73-1976). The diagram depicts the structure of the present thesis and the presentation model. Being self-explanatory, the diagram is not in need of 'word models' for its description (PLATE 1).

Plate - 1 : The Thesis has four components which are further divided into three units each. The component I begins after a brief Introduction to the Subject and the component IV is followed by the summary and conclusions of the investigations as well as with an epilogue of the thesis.

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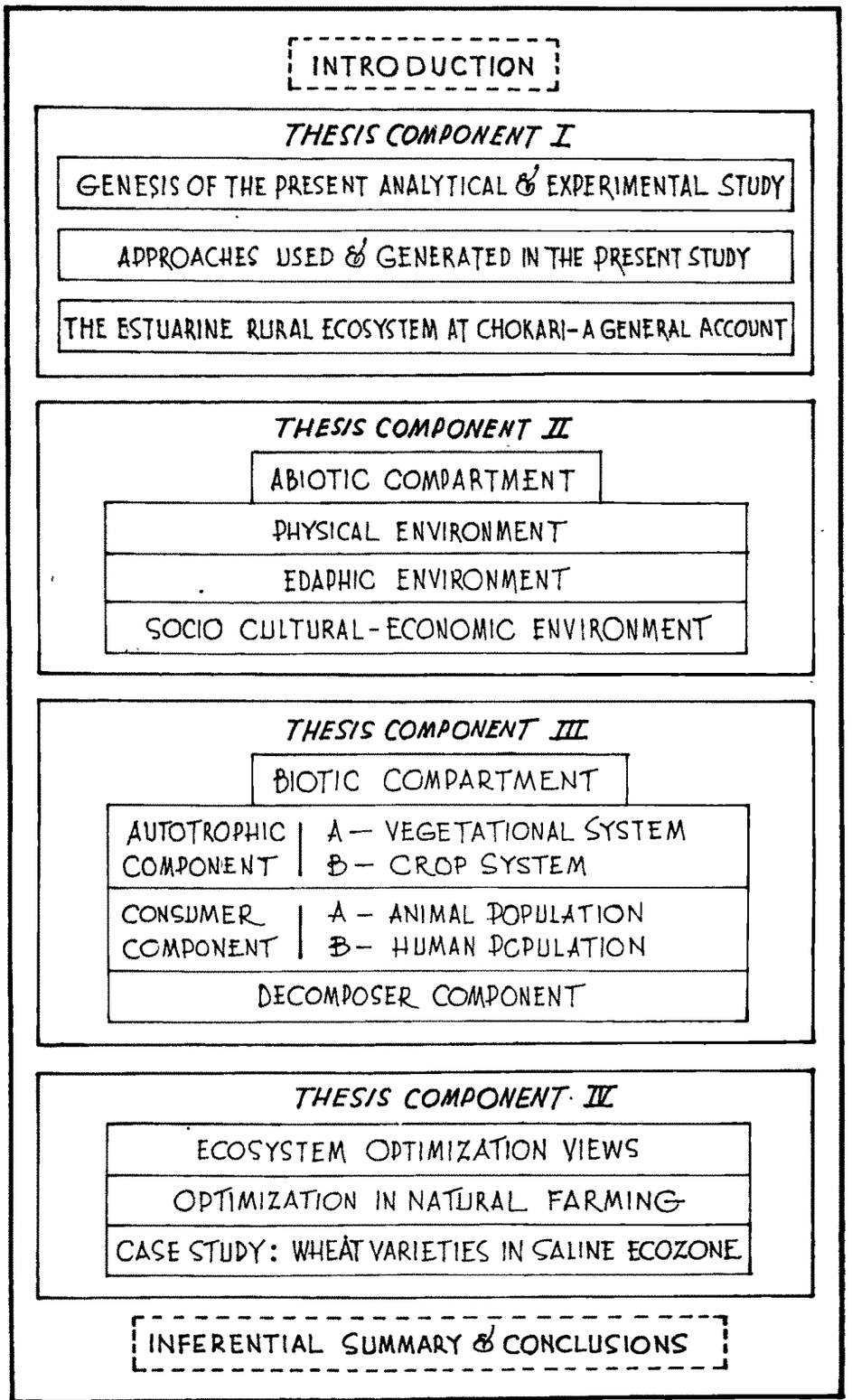

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