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WMS 103 C3—FEMINIST THOUGHT

(2019 and 2020 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer any **two** of the following questions. Each question carries 20 marks.

- 1. Discuss the challenges in analyzing ideological affiliations within feminist movements.
- 2. Examine the debate around representations of women in "Feminine Mystique" by Betty Friedan.
- 3. "The Stand Point Feminist Theory has helped in the better understanding women's position." Explain with illustrations.
- 4. Appraise the Domestic Labour Debate in the context of Marxist Feminism.

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

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Part B

Answer any ten of the following questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 5. Distinguish between Feminism and Feminine.
- 6. Write about the emergence of Black Feminism in America.
- 7. "Reproduction as the cause of women's oppression". Discuss.
- 8. How have social taboos impacted Women?
- 9. Write a short note on Liberal feminism.
- 10. Write a note on the Post-Modern feminism.
- 11. Explain Heterosexism.
- 12. Describe the impact of second wave feminism.

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- 13. Write about the institution of Patriarchy.
- 14. Briefly explain Psychoanalytical Feminism.
- 15. What is the gender division of labour?
- 16. Why is there an identity crisis among women?
- 17. What is it to be queer?
- 18. Briefly give the views of Engel's on Family.
- 19. State the influence of culture on women's status.

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WMS 102 C2—HISTORY OF WOMEN'S MOVEMENT

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Time: Three Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer any **two** of the following questions. Each question carries 20 marks.

- 1. Critically analyse the Feminist history.
- 2. Describe the intersection of class, caste and race in gender.
- 3. Elucidate the transnational feminist struggles of women from the third world.
- 4. Elaborate on the contribution of women in the national movement in India.

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer any ten of the following questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

- 5. Briefly discuss about the Sabarimala issue.
- 6. Write about the contributions of any two women leaders of Kerala.
- 7. Bring about the importance of environmental movement.
- 8. Write a note on the contribution of Ruth Manorama.
- 9. State the functioning of any one women's group in Kerala.
- 10. What is Black Feminism?
- 11. Discuss about the women's movement in UK.
- 12. Write about Islam and Women.
- 13. Briefly write about women's role in trade union movement in India.
- 14. Explain the significance of French revolution in women's movement.
- 15. Discuss about #Me Too campaign.
- 16. State the goals of the Communist Movement.
- 17. What is the "Women's Question".
- 18. Write about in any one Women's Organisation.
- 19. Give a note on Chipko Movement.

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WMS 101 C1—INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S STUDIES

(2019 and 2020 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours Maximum: 80 Marks

Part A

Answer any two of the following questions.

Each question carries 20 marks.

- 1. Describe the contribution of Women's Studies in transforming women's lives.
- 2. Discuss the role of various agencies of socialization in reaffirming gender stereotypism with suitable illustrations.
- 3. "The status of women in contemporary family structure has empowered women". Discuss.
- 4. Critically examine the influence of family, caste and kinship structure on the lives of women in Kerala.

 $(2 \times 20 = 40 \text{ marks})$

Part B

Answer any ten of the following questions.

Each question carries 4 marks.

- 5. Bring out difference between gender and sex.
- 6. Why is intrahousehold distribution of resources skewed?
- 7. How can female foeticide be controlled?
- 8. Give the meaning of the concept of Patriarchy.
- 9. What is Biological Determinism and how does it impact gender justice?
- 10. Why are women more vulnerable to domestic violence?
- 11. What are the meaning of feminism?

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- 12. Do we need Women's Studies as an independent discipline?
- 13. Briefly discuss the status of women in Islam.
- 14. "Suggest measures to combat sexual harassment in the unorganized sector.
- 15. Discuss the role of Pam Rajput and Devaki Jain in popularising Women's Studies.

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- 16. How does personal become political?
- 17. The political participation of women in India is very low. Bring out the reasons.
- 18. Briefly discuss the issue of women's entry into Sabari Malai temple.
- 19. "The status of women is paradoxical". Discuss.

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