

**THIRD SEMESTER P.G. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2020**

(CCSS)

M.A. Women Studies

WMS 3 C8—GENDER, RELIGION AND CULTURE

(2019 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 80 Marks

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

1. How has feminist revivalist tendencies in the 21<sup>st</sup> century defined and redefined womanhood ? Explain with examples.
2. Describe the evolution, trends and concerns regarding political participation of women in India.
3. Critically analyse the interlinkage between Community, Gender and Violence.
4. Discuss the implications of customary practices and unwritten laws on gender.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

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

5. Explain the role of culture in reinforcing stereotypes.
6. Write a short note on concerns regarding censorship.
7. Why is domestic violence an accepted norm ?
8. State the role of legal interventions in checking gender-based violence.
9. What are implications of intersection of class and caste on gender ?
10. Why do women live in a culture of silence ?
11. Should women be given quotas in politics ? Justify
12. Why has the women's reservations bill not been passed in the parliament ?
13. Suggest some social interventions to eliminate domestic violence.
14. Discuss the debate surrounding Uniform Civil Code.

**Turn over**

15. Write about multiple patriarchies with suitable examples.
16. How do religions represent women's bodies ?
17. What is religious fundamentalism ?
18. Write a note on women's participation in Kerala in Local Self Government.
19. Discuss the impact of economic liberalisation on women.

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WMS 3E 05—WOMEN AND EDUCATION

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

1. Give a detailed account on gender-based issues in the education sector.
2. Explain in detail about the various education programmes under National Policy on Education in India.
3. Critically evaluate the role of mass media in promoting women education.
4. Discuss the Kothari Commission report in the context of women's education.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

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

5. Write a short note on gender gap in education.
6. Give a brief note on non-formal education.
7. State the need for focusing on adolescent education.
8. Discuss about the importance of health education.
9. Write a note on Mahila Samakhya.
10. What is meant by Assertiveness Training ?
11. Bring out the importance of functional literacy for women.
12. Explain the need for legal literacy for women.

**Turn over**

13. Suggest ways to avoid child abuse in schools.
14. Reveal the importance of Vocational Education.
15. Discuss about the social issues in girls' education.
16. Why is gross enrolment ratio low in India ?
17. Write about the role of NGO's in women's education.
18. Should women be given relaxation in age limit ?
19. State the need for Adult Education ?

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WMS 3C 10—WOMEN AND DEMOCRATIC DECENTRALIZATION

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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. Trace the evolution of decentralised planning in Kerala from a gender perspective.
2. Describe the significance of gender responsive budget for empowering women at the local, national and international levels.
3. Explain in detail People's Component Plan and appraise its implementation in Kerala.
4. Critically evaluate the Kudumbasree programme of the Government of Kerala.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

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

5. What is meant Gender Analysis ?
6. Write a short note Jagrutha Samithi.
7. State the need for women's participation in governance.
8. How does Grama Sabhas work ?
9. What is Gender Budgeting ?
10. Suggest ways to enhance women's involvement in local bodies in Kerala.
11. State the objectives of Women's Component Plan.
12. Reveal the importance of Janakeeyasoothranavam Sthreemunettavam.
13. To what extent has people's plan campaign addressed the gender concerns ?

14. Discuss the reasons for the increase in young women's participation in local governance in Kerala.
15. How does RMK work for women's empowerment ?
16. Differentiate between gender practical needs and gender strategic needs.
17. How will gender audit help in bringing gender equity ?
18. What is democratic decentralisation?
19. Write about Kerala Panchayat Raj Act.

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WMS 3C 09—FEMINIST RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

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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. Debate on the interdisciplinary nature of feminist research methods with suitable examples.
2. Both quantitative and qualitative methods required to study the real position of women. Justify.
3. Write a project proposal for study of your choice on women.
4. Describe the following :
  - a) Focussed Group Discussion.
  - b) Participatory Action Research.

(2 × 20 = 40 marks)

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

1. What are the objectives of feminist research ?
2. How is sexism reflected in research ? Give suitable examples.
3. Give the meaning of Andro-centricity.
4. State the importance of exploratory research in Women's Studies.
5. Bring out the application of survey scales.
6. Bring out the need for "Content Analysis."

7. Why are oral histories an important source of information in feminist research ?
8. Distinguish between Bibliography and Reference.
9. What is Coding ? Explain with illustration.
10. Highlight the relevance of Stand Point Research.
11. Discuss the significance of Research Design.
12. What are private papers ?
13. Distinguish between Population and Sample.
14. Explain Case Study Method using an example.
15. What is a Research Hypothesis ?
16. Write a note on Thematic Narrative analysis.
17. Bring out the importance of statistical packages for research.
18. What are the various sources of secondary data ?
19. Explain with illustration Feminist Perspectives in Social Research.

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