

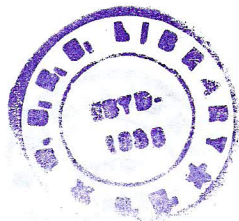
2015

WOMEN'S STUDIES

First Paper

(Gender and Society)

Full Marks – 50



The figures in the margin indicate full marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

1. Do you think that radical feminism emerged as a reaction against liberal, Marxist and Socialist feminism ? Justify your answer. 10

Or

Explicate the main tenets of eco-feminism with special emphasis on Indian eco-feminism. 10

2. In what ways, according to Kate Millett, does patriarchy attempt to suppress women ? Answer with illustrative references. 10

Or

Discuss with illustrative references, any two aspects of Third Wave Feminism. 10

3. Within the 'heterodox' tradition, do you think that a woman's access to material resources led to an enhancement of her status ? 10

4. Evaluate the Purdah system in the medieval period. 10

Or

'Harem was the seat for economic control'. Do you agree ? 10

5. Define and discuss *any one* of the following : 10

(a) 'The personal is the political'

(b) Woman as OTHER

(c) 'Feminine' as cultural construct.