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ENGLISH

(Generic Elective)

Paper : GE-4

(**Contemporary India : Women and Empowerment**)

Full Marks : 80

Pass Marks : 32

Time : 3 hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks
for the questions*

UNIT—I

1. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15

(a) Write a note on how patriarchy operates at the level of the family through assigned works based on gender.

(b) Explain, with reference to the works of any one feminist scholar, the social construction of 'gender' in all patriarchal societies.

(2)

2. Write a short note on any *one* of the following : 5
- (a) Hegemonic Masculinity
 - (b) Marriage as a Patriarchal Institution
 - (c) Third World Feminism

UNIT—II

3. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15
- (a) Write a critical note on the post-independence women's movement in India.
 - (b) Examine the undercurrents of women and nationalism with special reference to the freedom struggle of India.
4. Write a short note on any *one* of the following : 5
- (a) Women and politics
 - (b) The Partition of India and the experiences of women
 - (c) The Chipko Movement

(3)

UNIT—III

5. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15
- (a) How do you think the Indian Constitution has addressed the concerns of women? Do you think there is scope for improvement? Discuss. 10+5=15
 - (b) Write a critical note on how you would assess the legal provisions given to women pertaining to the institution of marriage and inheritance.
6. Write a short note on any *one* of the following : 5
- (a) The Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006
 - (b) Customary practices and women's condition
 - (c) Importance of legal awareness among rural women

UNIT—IV

7. Answer any *one* of the following questions : 15
- (a) Write a critical note on how women can play a significant role in dealing with the global concerns of environmental degradation.

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- (b) Examine *Sultana's Dream* as a narrative of resistance by women.
- (c) Write a critical note on Dalit women's experience in India based on your reading of *Jinne Amuche*.
8. Write a short note on any one of the following : 5
- (a) Caste and women in India
- (b) Religion and women's condition in India
- (c) Domestic violence
