

M.ED
ELECTIVE PAPER
FIRST YEAR / SEMESTER I
WOMEN'S STUDIES

Objectives

- understand the history of Women movements
- create an awareness of social issues of Women
- Understand the Legal rights of women
- orient students towards the important of different Women Entrepreneurships
- understand the role of Women in Economic growth
- create awareness of Policies and Programmes of women

UNIT – I INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN'S STUDIES

Concept and need for Women's Studies – Scope of Women's Studies – Women's Studies as an academic discipline-Women's Movements – Pre-independent, Post-independent and Current women's movements-National Committees and Commissions for Women – Government. Organizations for Women – Department of Women and Child Development.

UNIT – II WOMEN AND THEIR FAMILY

Liberal Feminism – Rationality, Freedom, Education-Marxist Feminism – Production, Reproduction, Class, Alienation, Marriage and Family-Radical Feminism – Gender, Patriarchy, Reproductive Technology, Motherhood-Socialist Feminism – Class and Gender, Division of Labour, Unified and Dual System, Exploitation.

UNIT – III WOMEN ENTREPRENEURSHIPS

Concept and meaning – Importance of Entrepreneurship – Entrepreneurial traits – Factors contributing to women Entrepreneurship – Micro Enterprises-Gender and Technology – Technology and Production – Technology Transfer – Appropriate Technology – Emerging Technologies-Information Technology – Impact on Women's Development.

UNIT – IV WOMEN AND SOCIETY

Girl Child in Society – Child labourers – Changing role of women – Marriage – Single parent – Motherhood – Widows-Theories of Development – Empowerment – Alternative approaches – Women in Development (WID), Women and Development

(WAD) and Gender and Development (GAD) – State Policy and Programmes- Women Development approaches in Indian Five – Year Plans – Collectivity and Group dynamics – Self – help Groups women and leadership – Panchayati Raj – Political Role and Participation – NGOs and Women Development – National and International Funding Agencies.

UNIT – V POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES

Indian Constitution and provisions relating to women-Personal laws – Labour Laws – Violence against, women – Legal protection – Family Courts – Enforcement machinery – Police and Judiciary-Human Rights as Women’s Rights.

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