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KARNATAKA STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST (K-SET)
FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Subject: **WOMEN STUDIES**

Subject Code: **37**

SYLLABUS

UNIT – I : INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN’S STUDIES

- Key Concepts in Gender Studies.
- Need, Scope and challenges of Women’s Studies as an academic Discipline, Women’s Studies to Gender Studies, Need for Gender Sensitization.
- Women’s Movements – global and local : Pre-independence, Post-independence and Contemporary Debates.
- National Committee and Commissions for Women.

UNIT – II : FEMINIST THINKERS AND THEORIES

- Liberal Feminism, Marxist Feminism, Redical Feminism, Socialist Feminism, Indian Feminism, Black Feminism, Eco-Feminism.
- New Feminist Debates –Post Colonial /Post Modern, LGBT, Masculinity Studies.
- Contemporary Contestations – Intersex And Transgender Movements
- Feminist Thinkers in 18th, 19th, 20th And 21st Century.

UNIT – III : GENDER AND EDUCATION

- Women’s Education – Gender diversities and disparities in enrolment, Curriculum content, Dropouts, profession and Gender.
- Gendered Education – Family, Culture, Gender roles, Gender Identities.
- Education for the Marginalized Women.
- Recent Trends in Women’s Education – Committees and Commissions on Education.
- Vocational education and skill Development for women.

UNIT – IV : WOMEN, WORK AND EMPLOYMENT

- Theoretical Perspective : Fredrick Engels, Rosa Luxemburg, Sandra Whiteworth, Boserup Esther.
- Concept of Work – Productive and non – productive work – Use value and market value.
- Gender Division of Labour – Mode of Production – Women in organized and unorganized sector.
- New Economic Policy and its impact on Women’s Employment – Globalization – Structural Adjustment Programs.

UNIT V – GENDER AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- Concept And Meaning, Importance of Entrepreneurship, Entrepreneurial Traits, Factors contributing to Entrepreneurship, enabling environment, small enterprises, women in agri-business.
- Gender and emerging Technology – Impact.
- Self – help Groups and Micro Credit.
- Gender mainstreaming, Gender budgeting, planning and Analysis.

UNIT – VI WOMEN AND HEALTH

- Life Cycle Approach to Women’s Health – Health status of women in India, factors influencing health and Nutritional Status.
- Material and Child Health (MCH) to Reproductive and Child health approaches.
- Issues of declining Child Sex Ratio, Widowhood and old age.
- Occupational and mental health.
- Health, Hygiene and Sanitation.
- National Health and Population Policies and Programmes.

UNIT – VII WONEN EMPOERMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

- Theories of Development , Alternative Approaches – Women in Development (WID), Women and Development (WAD) and Gender and Development (GAD).

- Empowerment – Concept and indices : Gender Development Index (GDI), Gender Inequality Index (GII), Global Gender Gap Index (GGGI).
- Women Development Approaches in Indian Five – Year Plans.
- Women and leadership – Panchayati Raj and Role of NGOS and Women Development.
- Sustainable Development Goals, Policies and Programmes.

UNIT VIII – WOMEN LAWS AND GOVERNANCE

- Rights : Gender Equality, Gender Discrimination, Women’s Rights As Human Rights.
- Constitutional Provisions for Women in India.
- Personal Laws, Labour Laws, Family Courts, Enforcement Machinery – Police and Judiciary.
- Crime against women and child : Child Abuse, Violence, Human Trafficking, Sexual Harassment at Workplace Act, 2013 – Legal protection
- International Conventions and Legislations Related to Women’s Rights.

UNIT – IX GENDER AND MEDIA

- Discourse on Women and Media Studies – Mainstream Media, Feminist Media.
- Coverage of Women’s issues and issues of Women in Mass Media and Media Organizations (Audio –Visual and Print Media).
- Digital Media and Legal protection.
- Alternative Media – Folk Art, Street Play and Theatre.
- Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986, Impact of Media on Women.

UNIT – X : FEMINIST RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- Understanding Feminist Research – Concepts, Debates and Limitations.
- Feminist Epistemology, Feminist Standpoint, Sexist and Non-Sexist Research Methodology, Ethnography, Queer Theories.
- Research Design and Methods – Survey, Exploratory, Diagnostic, Experimental, Action Research and Case Studies.
- Qualitative verses Quantitative Research.