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Four Year Undergraduate Programme- 2025
Minor Subject for NEP (Theory)
Semester IV
Subject: Women's Studies
Paper: Women in Education, Work and Politics
Paper Code: MNWS02

Time: 3 Hours

Total Marks: 80

Questions are of value as indicated on the margin

Answer any **four** questions of the following:

1. Present a critical analysis of the gender inclusivity of the National Education Policy - 2020. 20
2. What do you understand by globalization? Discuss how globalization affects women's participation in paid work based on the experiences of the East Asian countries. 5+15=20
3. What do you understand by 'informal sector'? What are the trends and patterns of women's participation in informal sector work? Why do you think women tend to dominate informal sector work? 4+10+6=20
4. How do different perspectives explain the exclusion of women from the public sphere on the basis of their bodies and bodily identities? 20
5. Discuss elaborately on women's participation in Panchayati Raj in West Bengal. Write about Vishaka guidelines and Bhanwari Devi's role as the foundation for India's sexual harassment laws. 12+8=20
6. To what extent does participation in paid work, education, and political institutions lead to meaningful empowerment and expansion of choices for women? 20

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Answer any **four** questions of the following:

1. Critically discuss the evolution of Education Policies in India since Independence. 20
2. Explain and examine the major recent trends in Indian education in the context of privatization, globalization, and sustainable development. 20
3. What is the significance of women's participation in paid work? What are the ideological and methodological challenges in measuring women's work? Explain critically. 5+15
4. Discuss the various Government schemes to promote livelihood outcomes among women. 20
5. Why is women's political participation important? Discuss with suitable examples how women Panchayat Pradhans are leading positive changes in rural India. 8+12=20
6. Critically examine the different forms of empowerment—social, economic, political, and cultural—and analyse the ideas of *power over*, *power to*, *power with*, and *power from within*. 12+8=20

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Answer any **four** questions:

1. Give an account of the spatio-temporal distribution of literacy rate and education levels among women in India. 20
2. Present a critical analysis of the gender-inclusive perspective of the National Education Policy 2020. 20
3. Present a detailed picture of the trends and patterns of female workforce participation rate in India. What are the reasons for low workforce participation rates among Indian women? Explain 12+8
4. What do you understand by Structural Adjustment Programmes (SAPs)? How do these SAPs influence women's participation in workforce? Discuss. 5+15
5. What do you understand by political participation? Why is political participation important for women? What factors are responsible for negligible political participation among women in India. 4+6+10
6. Trace the salient features of the National Empowerment Policy for Women in India. 20

BA (Hons.) Examination- 2024
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Answer any **four** questions:

1. Why is education important for girls? Discuss the debates surrounding women's education in colonial India. 5+15
2. What is the significance of women's participation in paid work? What are the ideological and methodological challenges in measuring women's work? 5+15
3. Discuss the various Government schemes to promote livelihood outcomes among women. 20
4. What do you understand by political participation? Why is women's participation in politics important? What is the status of women's political participation in India? What are the limits to women's political participation? 2+5+5+8
5. What is the difference between State and Nation? Critically discuss the three major ways by which the role of women has been imagined in the making of India as a nation. 4+16
6. Critically discuss the concept of empowerment. Can access to education, employment and political participation empower women? 10+10